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10:30 AM

FAMILY WORSHIP

February 21, 2016

WELCOME		Steve Scipioni
*PRAISE HYMN	“Blessed Assurance”	# 144
*INVOCATION	“May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts, be pleasing and acceptable in your holy sight, O Lord our rock and our redeemer. Amen.”	Unison
SPECIAL MUSIC	“I Could Sing of Your Love Forever” <i>Solos: Casey Funck, Samantha Patrick</i>	Sunbeam Choir
MORNING PRAYER		Steve Scipioni
THE LORD’S PRAYER		Congregation
THE OFFERTORY	“I Must Tell Jesus”	Althea Hemperly
Presentation of God’s Tithe		
*The Doxology		
*Dedication Prayer		
*PREPARATION HYMN	“Under His Wings”	# 376
MESSAGE	“Bad Girls of the Old Testament”	Jenean Speck Jessica Theurer
*COMMITMENT HYMN	“He Leadeth Me”	# 330
*BENEDICTION		Steve Scipioni
*POSTLUDE	“Love Divine”	Althea Hemperly

Good morning and welcome to Bethany where God's word is honored, taught and proclaimed. Our mission is to glorify God by making-maturing-mobilizing enthusiastic disciples for Jesus Christ. Please sign the blue attendance pad and pass it along.

We welcome the Lay Leader of the Mountville Church, Jenean Speck, and her granddaughter, Jessica Theurer, to Bethany this morning. We thank them for sharing the Lord with us in a dramatic manor. And we also welcome pianist Althea Hemperly back to Bethany, and we praise the Lord for her ministry of music today.

We appreciate the good guidance of our Lay Leader, Steve Scipioni, all year long, as well as this morning as he leads our worship.

Infant care and a toddler class are held downstairs during worship and Sunday School.

Units for the hearing-impaired are available. Please speak with an usher for assistance.

Altar Flowers are presented to the glory of God in honor of my mom, Pamela Patrick. Happy birthday, love Allison.

CD's of today's service are available for \$2.00. Please contact Karen in the church office. You can also listen to the service through the church's web site bethanyumcpalmyra.org.

There will be no Kid Zone for elementary age children today so we can all worship together.

Serving today: **Sunbeam Choir Director:** Samantha Patrick, **Ushers:** Bethany Youth, **Sound System:** Dick Lasher, **Acolyte:** Casey Funck, **Pianist:** Althea Hemperly.

Prayer request cards are in the pew rack. Please place them in the offering plate knowing that Pastor Lynch and the Bethany prayer chain will pray over your joys and concerns. If you would like to activate the Bethany prayer chain please call Vicki Smith at 838-5665.

Prayer joys/concerns: 1) Healing mercies for Helen Lutz, Don Brubaker, Paul Finney, Ashley Commissong, Bryan Hoffman, Susan Lasher. 2) Birthday blessings for Kennedy Commissong. 3) Our police, soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines.

Our homebound person of the week is Sandy Long. Please pray for Sandy and sign the card in the rear of the sanctuary.

Sub and pretzel sandwich orders may be picked up this Thursday in the social hall, 11-12.

Would you like to sponsor altar flowers? Available dates are February 28 and March 6.

March church newsletter articles are due in the office today. Thank you.

Tonight the addiction group meets at 5:00 in the social hall.

Bethany Yoga meets on Thursday evenings, 7-8:15 in the social hall.

Next Sunday Pastor Lynch returns to the pulpit, speaking on “Dr. Suess and the Measuring Stick,” from II Timothy 3:14-17.

Upper Room devotional booklets for March/April are available. Please take one for yourself and one for a friend.

The Loyal Workers held their Valentine Luncheon for Interfaith Manor residents on Saturday February 13. Thank you to all who contributed and helped. We also want to thank all the residents for attending despite the cold weather. We are moving the Luncheon for next year to April 1.

The church office will be open this week on Tuesday and Thursday from 8-10.

Easter choir practice begins next Sunday at 10:00 in the chapel. We will practice each Sunday leading up to Easter. Hope to see you there! ~ Helen Lutz and Audrey Scipioni

It has been just announced by Bishop Johnson that Rev. Gary Nicholson, our District Superintendent and former pastor here at Bethany, is being appointed to Christ United Methodist Church, Lansdale, PA, effective July 1, 2016.

SERVING CHRIST AND OUR CONGREGATION

ORGANIST: *Audrey Scipioni*

ASSISTANT: *Helen Lutz*

NURSERY CARE: *Vicki Smith*

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: *Selma Patrick*

TRUSTEES: *Don Brubaker, Ed Kaylor*

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDANT: *Gary Nicholson* PASTOR: *John Lynch (298-1308)*

MISSIONARIES: *Carrie Callahan, China and Rachel Nicholson, Germany*

LAY LEADER: *Steve Scipioni*

SUNBEAM CHOIR: *Samantha Patrick*

ADMIN. COUNCIL: *Cindy Anspach*

CHURCH SECRETARY: *Karen Neidigh*

CUSTODIAN: *Beverly Bell*