



# BETHANY UNITED METHODIST

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10:00 AM

WORSHIP

September 3, 2017

## WELCOME

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Loving God, you call us to turn away from our own selfish interests

**People: To take up our cross, and to follow you, to find our greater purpose in you**

Leader: So, we come before you this morning with open hearts and open minds, eager to hear your word

**People: May your Spirit move among us as we worship**

Leader: Bring us into closer relationship

**People: To live and work as Your faithful disciples**

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE

“To God Be the Glory”

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### \*INVOCATION

BAPTISM of Michael H. Strait

Rev. Jeannine Brenner & Pastor Stoltzfus

### SPECIAL MUSIC

“Blessed Assurance”

Lilliana Strait

### MORNING PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Pastor Stoltzfus

Congregation

### THE OFFERTORY

Presentation of God’s Tithe

\*The Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

Audrey Scipioni

### \*HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Where He Leads Me”

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### SCRIPTURE

Matthew 16:21-28

### SERMON

“What did we get ourselves into?”

Pastor Stoltzfus

### \*HYMN OF RESPONSE

“O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go”

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### \*BENEDICTION

Pastor Stoltzfus

### \*POSTLUDE

Audrey Scipioni

*\*We stand to honor Jesus Christ.*

*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.*

*A special thank you is extended to Rev. Jeannine Brenner. We appreciate your willingness to come and perform the Baptism of Michael H. Strait this morning.*

Serving today: **Sound System:** Don Brubaker

**Acolyte:** Michelle Patrick

**Greeters/Ushers:** Richard and Sue Lasher

**Organist:** Audrey Scipioni

Units for the hearing impaired are available. Please see an usher for assistance.



Infant care and a toddler class are held downstairs during Worship and Sunday School. Those up to sixth grade are welcome to go downstairs to Kid Zone or remain in the Sanctuary for worship.

Our homebound person of the week is Lucille Peiffer. Please remember her in your thoughts and prayers this week and sign the card in the rear of the sanctuary.

Prayer joys/concerns: 1) Dale Patrick, Ashley Commissionsong, Barb Haak, Matthew and Dlynn Hetrick. 2) Our servicemen and their families. 3) Our nation and leaders 4) those affected by Hurricane Harvey in Texas

CD's of today's service are available for \$2.00. Please contact Judy, Church Secretary. You can also listen to the service through the church's website, [bethanyumcpalmyra.org](http://bethanyumcpalmyra.org).

Birthday Blessings this week to: September 5 - Wanda Watts  
7 - Allison Deimler  
Pastor Jared  
9 - Karen White



The Addictions Support Group meets tonight at 5:00 in the social hall.

The September Newsletter is available on the information table. Pick up your copy today!



Bethany Yoga returns!

Wendy Smith will be offering Yoga on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm, beginning on Thursday, September 7 and running continuously until November 16th, with the exception of Thursday, October 5th. All ages and abilities are welcome!

Calling all Young Singers!

The Sunbeam Children's Choir will begin it's new season on Wednesday, September 6th, at 4:30-5:00 pm here at the church. All children ages Kindergarten thru 12th grade are invited to participate. For more details contact Samantha Patrick at 717-269-3592.

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SERVING CHRIST AND OUR CONGREGATION

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TRUSTEES: *Don Brubaker*

TREASURER: *Diane Miller*

LAY LEADER: *Ed Kaylor*

SUNBEAM CHOIR: *Samantha Patrick*

ADMIN. COUNCIL: *Cindy Anspach*

CHURCH SECRETARY: *Judy Hall*

CUSTODIAN: *Beverly Bell*

STAFF PARISH: *Paul Leicht*