

# BETHANY UMC

## JANUARY 4, 2026 ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SERMON

“Everyone Wants It,  
Few Have It,  
We All Need It”

Speaker  
Dr. Troy Banks

### HYMNS

UMH #462 &  
TFWS #2032

UMH = United Methodist  
Hymnal  
TFWS = The Faith We Sing  
Songbook

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Donated by  
Greg & Megan Cooke  
in honor of  
our church family

## Ministry Opportunities

Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> Prayer Group, 10:00 a.m.

Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> Bible Study, 11:00 a.m.

Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> L.I.F.T Group, 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> Prayer & Care Team, 12:00 p.m.

Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> Youth Pizza & Planning Party, 4:30 p.m.

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

### Altar Flower Donor

\$40 Bouquet  
payable to Bethany.

Bouquets are taken  
home after the  
service.

### Liturgist

Assist with readings  
in worship.

### Greeters

Welcome those  
arriving for worship.

Sign-up at the Welcome Table.



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## DECEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>

1. A son's surgery
2. Sympathy to the Strong family

## DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>

1. A 12 yr. old son with leukemia
2. Sympathy to the Burns and Supulpa family
3. Sympathy to the friends and family of a local first grader who passed away
4. The Jewish community and Australia
5. Sympathy to the Bobbi Jo Fields and the family of Walter
6. Sympathy to the family of the guardsman killed in Syria

## DECEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>

1. A 14 yr. old experimenting with alcohol
2. A son traveling to NY
3. Sammie, the cat
4. Robin Black
5. Andrew & wife
6. Sympathy to friends and family of someone who committed suicide
7. Sympathy to friends and family of Sandy

## DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

1. John
2. Patricia Brodsky
3. Health concerns for a coworker

## LOCAL, REGIONAL & GLOBAL CONCERNs

- Abortion issues
- Active-duty military and veterans
- Areas recovering from severe weather
- Desire to find common ground, reconciliation
- and peace in our world
- First Responders and Caregivers
- Friends & members of Bethany UMC
- God's direction for ways to help the homeless
- Human Trafficking
- Immigrant Crisis
- People who don't know Christ
- People struggling with violence, racism, unemployment, injustice, mental health & drug issues
- The United Methodist Church & all denominations, The Lower Shore District, & The Pen-Del Conference
- Troubled relationships & marriages
- Vulnerable youth in our community
- World Hunger, Water Availability

## PRAISES

1. Many shared gratitude for the Christmas eve service and other ministries and events of the season
2. Randolph & Betty Hudson - wonderful visit with grandson and his girlfriend
3. Lyn Burr's son, David - shoulder surgery successful
4. Bobbi Jo Field's son, Kyle - Christmas eve proposal and future wedding