

Announcements

1. JOASH OFFERING- We have not yet met this year's goal for our Joash Offering collection, which will go towards seal coating the parking lot and exterior painting. If you have not donated already, you can give in person-mark your envelope accordingly or go to our home page at bfvumc.org. Click "online giving" then scroll down to Joash Offering. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

2. JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE AND CHURCH PICNIC- Mark your calendars! Join us in fellowship for our combined church service and picnic with the Bethany, Hope UCC, and Tabernaculo communities. Chicken, hotdogs, drinks, and place settings will be provided. Please sign up so we know how many will be joining and let us know if you plan to bring a dish to share. There is plenty of space in the Fellowship Hall refrigerator for cold items and plugs in the kitchen for hot crockpot items. Regardless of what you bring, please plan to drop off at the Fellowship Hall prior to service.

3. DORCAS CIRCLE- The Dorcas Circle is holding their **annual drive** to collect diapers, wipes, baby clothing, and feminine products to donate to the Marie Wilkinson Food Pantry in Aurora. Items can be placed in the entryway throughout the month of September.

4. GREAT AGERS- The leaves are changing colors, and the days are getting shorter which means it is time to celebrate Fall with the Great Agers here at Bethany. The group is open to all area seniors. We will meet for a **baked potato lunch** at noon on Friday, **October 10th**. We will provide the spuds and beverages and ask everyone to bring their favorite toppings from sour cream to chili to chipped beef or bring a salad or dessert if you prefer. Be sure to also pack a plate and silverware. Following lunch, we will play a few **games** including Ghost bingo. If you can, bring a small grab bag gift hidden in a paper bag to use for our prize auction. Plan to arrive between 11:30 and noon. We will pop open the potatoes at noon and eat. Sign up on the bulletin board, or call/email us if you plan to attend so we bake enough potatoes.

5. WORSHIP SERVICE VOLUNTEERS- Making our worship service run smoothly each week depends on our team of volunteers performing various roles. Over the next three months, there are several dates that need more volunteers. **We are mainly in need of ushers, worship leaders, and alternate greeters.**

Having more people on board also helps us to cover last minute changes. Please prayerfully consider giving some of your time. **Volunteering for even just a few dates can make a huge difference!**

Signing up is easy. You can: Write your name on dates you are available on the schedule posted on the hallway bulletin board or mail the office with your availability. The schedule will be updated regularly to reflect any changes.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Small Group: Loyal Leaders class (10:15am)
Children's Church (9:20 am)

MUSIC MINISTRY

Music Director John Kwon / yoahn4piano@gmail.com
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This Week at Bethany

SUN Sept. 21	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Online	9:00 am
	Loyal Leaders		10:15 am
TUE Sept. 23	Bell Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary	6:30 pm
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary	7:30 pm

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

SLEEP IN THE STORM

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15th Sunday After Pentecost

* Indicates that worshippers are to stand if able.
Congregational responses are in bold print.

Worship Leader: Aaron Lewis

ENTRANCE & PRAISE

Prelude	“ Prepare Our Heart ”	John Kwon
Greetings		Rev. Sang Hun Han
Announcements		Aaron Lewis
*Opening Hymn	“ Precious Lord, Take My Hand ”	UMH #474
<i>1. Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light:</i>		
<i>** Refrain: Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home.</i>		
<i>2. When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone, hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.**</i>		
<i>3. When the darkness appears and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone, at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.**</i>		

*Call to Worship

When the storms of life rage, where do we turn?
We look to Jesus, who commands the wind and the waves.
When fear overwhelms us, who will calm our hearts?
We trust in Christ, whose words bring peace.
When the waters rise and the night grows dark, who will stay with us?
The One whom even the sea obeys is in the boat with us.

Come, people of God
Let us worship the Lord of wind and wave, the Savior who brings stillness and peace.

Passing Peace of Christ	“ O How He Loves... ”	TFWS #2108
<i>O how he loves you and me! O how he loves you and me! He gave his life. What more could he give? O how he loves you; O how he loves me; O how he loves you and me!</i>		

Children’s Message	Melanie Bomersback
Children’s Church	Melanie Bomersback

Joys and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer		
The Lord’s Prayer		(Screen)
Contemplation Hymn	“ I Will Call upon the Lord ”	TFWS# 2002

I will call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised. So shall I be saved from my enemies. I will call upon the Lord. (Repeat)

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

*Scripture Reading	Mark 4:35-41	Aaron Lewis
Jesus Calms the Storm		
³⁵ That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, “Let us go over to the other side.” ³⁶ Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. ³⁷ A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. ³⁸ Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, “Teacher, don’t you care if we drown?”		
³⁹ He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, “Quiet! Be still!” Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.		
⁴⁰ He said to his disciples, “Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?”		
⁴¹ They were terrified and asked each other, “Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!”		

This is the Word of Life for all the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Offering Our Gifts to God’s Service

Offertory Anthem	“ My Mother’s Bible ”	John Kwon
*Doxology	“ Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow ”	UMH #95
<i>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.</i>		

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Gracious God, help us remember that all belongs to you. Take these offerings and use them for your glory. Take our lives, and use us, always and everywhere, for your glory. In Christ’s name. Amen.

You may give your offering at www.bfvumc.org/online-giving or mail it to:

Bethany of Fox Valley UMC
2200 Ridge Ave. Aurora, IL. 60504

Message:	“ Sleep in the Storm ”	Rev. Sang Hun Han
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SENDING FORTH

Closing Hymn:	“ Grace Alone ”	TFWS #2162
<i>1. Every promise we can make, every prayer and step of faith, every difference we will make is only by his grace. Every mountain we will climb, every ray of hope we shine, every blessing left behind is only by his grace.</i>		
<i>** Refrain: Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown he will provide. Christ in us our Cornerstone; we will go forth in grace alone.</i>		
<i>2. Every soul we long to reach, every heart we hope to teach, everywhere we share his peace is only by his grace. Every loving word we say, every tear we wipe away, every sorrow turned to praise is only by his grace. **</i>		

*Benediction		Rev. Sang Hun Han
*Postlude	Excerpt from Schubert Mass in C	John Kwon
<i>We are glad that you joined us this morning in worship. We hope that you find strength, renewal, and a sense of peace going through the coming week.</i>		

SAINTS IN ACTION				
Worship Leader:	Aaron Lewis			
Ushers:	Charles Bibbs & Bill & Billie Small			
PowerPoint Preparer:	Gwen Daniels			
Greeters:	Jan Allman & Bonni Pear			
Children's Message:	Melanie Bomersback			
Children's Church:	Melanie Bomersback			
In-Person Slide Operator:	Gwen Daniels			
Online Worship Service:	Dorothea Rynearson			
	8/24	8/31	9/7	9/14
IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE	43	34	45	56
ON-LINE ATTENDANCE	-	1	6	1
WEEKLY OFFERING	\$4,822	TBD	\$9,286	TBD
JOASH OFFERING			\$3,365	TBD
2025 APPORTIONMENT ALLOCATION: \$27,396 PAID THROUGH AUGUST: \$4,380				