

## Announcements

**1. ALTAR FLOWERS-** This week's beautiful altar flowers were provided by Bryan and Lynn Coghlin in celebration of their upcoming wedding anniversary on **January 27<sup>th</sup>**.

**2. EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING-** The Events Committee will meet on Wednesday, **January 28<sup>th</sup>** at 9 a.m. in the narthex. Please contact Judy Buchenot if you have any questions.

**3. YOUTH GROUP-** Calling all Bethany youth grades 6-12! On Saturday, **January 31<sup>st</sup>** we are having a game night at the church from 4-6pm. Join us for some fun games, a hot cocoa bar, snacks, and fellowship. Please reach out to Melanie Bomersback with any questions.

**4. GREAT AGERS** - Roses are red, Violets are blue, Great Agers is back and we want to see you. Great Agers will meet again on **February 13<sup>th</sup>** to celebrate Valentine's Day with a sensible lunch followed by make-your-own sundaes. Bring your favorite salad, appetizer or other sensible dish to share. We will supply the ice cream, toppings, whipped cream and all the extras. Following lunch we will have some fun and games as well as a few rounds of Heart bingo. Bring a small gift hidden in a bag to use for the auction at the end of bingo. Plan to arrive between 11:30 and noon. We will eat at noon. Feel free to bring a friend or two. Please sign up in the narthex if you plan to attend. Hope to see everyone!

**5. FOOD PANTRY-** We are continuing our efforts to support the **Marie Wilkinson Food Pantry**. In addition to non-perishable food, especially items like canned potatoes and corn, they are also in need of empty egg cartons. Thank you for your ongoing support!

**6. HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH-** The 2026 Council of Bishops Leadership Gathering represents a pivotal moment for The United Methodist Church, and your participation is essential to its success. There are multiple pathways for every United Methodist to contribute to this discernment process including a survey and three webinar sessions that will feature diverse theological voices. For more information, see this week's Bethany eblast or visit the website below <https://www.resourceumc.org/en/churchwide/council-of-bishops-leadership-gathering>.

**7. LENTEN BOOK STUDY-** Wesley's message and his faith continue to speak to 21st-century Christians—calling for a revival of our hearts and souls. Join us as we read about Adam Hamilton's travels to England, following the life of John Wesley and exploring his defining characteristics of a Wesleyan Christian in his book **Revival**. We will meet on Wednesday evenings starting February 25<sup>th</sup>, right after Dollar Dinners. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board. Please let us know by Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> so we know how many books (\$10) to order.

## 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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January 25, 2026

TODAY



## This Week at Bethany

SUN Jan 25	Worship Service Loyal Leaders	Sanctuary & Online	9:00 am 10:15 am
WED Jan 28	Events Committee Meeting	BFVUMC	9:00 am

## SAINTS IN ACTION

Worship Leader:

Aaron Lewis

Ushers:

Don Stern & Heesung Kwon

PowerPoint Preparer:

Christine Pommier & Jacquee Lawrence

Greeters:

Louise Hari & Lynn Coughlin

Children's Message:

Melanie Bomersback

Children's Church:

Melanie Bomersback

In-Person Slide Operator:

Ken & Jacquee Lawrence

Online Worship Service:

Dorothea Rynearson

	12/28	1/4	1/11	1/18
IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE	23	28	44	43
ON-LINE ATTENDANCE	-	-	3	4
WEEKLY OFFERING	\$1,140	\$1,714	TBD	TBD
CHRISTMAS OFFERING	\$655	-	-	-

2025 APPORTIONMENT ALLOCATION: \$27,396

PAID THROUGH DEC: \$12,095

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### 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

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

**Worship Leader: Aaron Lewis**

#### ENTRANCE & PRAISE

Prelude	John Kwon
Greetings	Rev. Sang Hun Han
Announcements	Aaron Lewis

\*Opening Hymn UMH #451

#### **“Be Thou My Vision”**

*1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art.  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*

*2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou and thou only,  
first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.*

*3. Great God of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O ruler of all.*

#### \*Call to Worship

The Spirit of the Lord is upon us, for God has anointed us to bring good news to the poor.

**We come to worship the God who proclaims freedom and hope.**

God sends release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind.

**We come longing for healing, justice, and new life.**

Today, this scripture is fulfilled in our hearing.

**Today, we open our hearts to God's living word.**

**All: Let us worship the Lord,  
who calls us to good news, freedom, and grace.**

\*Passing Peace of Christ TFWS #2108

#### **“O How He Loves You and Me”**

*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!*

Children's Message

Children's Church

Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer & Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Melanie Bomersback

Melanie Bomersback

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Contemplation Hymn TFWS #2088

#### **“Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”**

*Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your praises.  
I'm so glad you're in my life; I'm so glad you came to save us.  
You came from heaven to earth to show the way, from the earth  
to the cross, my debt to pay, from the cross to the grave, from the  
grave to the sky. Lord, I lift your name on high! (Repeat)*

#### PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

\*Scripture Reading

**Luke 4:14-21**

**Aaron Lewis**

#### **Jesus Rejected at Nazareth**

<sup>14</sup> Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. <sup>15</sup> He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.

<sup>16</sup> He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup> and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

<sup>18</sup> “The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free,

<sup>19</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”

<sup>20</sup> Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. <sup>21</sup> He began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”

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

John Kwon

\*Doxology UMH #95

#### **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

*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.*

#### \*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](http://www.bfvumc.org/online-giving), scan the QR code to the right, or mail it to:*

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



Message: **“Today”** Rev. Sang Hun Han

#### SENDING FORTH

Closing Hymn UMH #310

#### **“He Lives”**

*1. I serve a risen Savior, he's in the world today; I know that he is  
living, whatever foes may say. I see his hand of mercy, I hear his  
voice of cheer, and just the time I need him, he's always near.*

#### **\*\*Refrain:**

*He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and  
talks with me along life's narrow way. He lives, he lives, salvation to  
impart! You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.*

*2. In all the world around me I see his loving care, and though my  
heart grows weary, I never will despair. I know that he is leading  
through all the stormy blast; the day of his appearing will come at  
last. \*\**

*3. Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing eternal  
hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King! The hope of all who seek him,  
the help of all who find; none other is so loving, so good and kind. \*\**

\*Benediction

Rev. Sang Hun Han

\*Postlude

John Kwon

*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.*