

# Today's Scripture Readings

## Ephesians 2:8-9 New International Version (NIV)

<sup>8</sup> For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup> not by works, so that no one can boast.

## 1 Corinthians 12:27-28 New International Version (NIV)

<sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. <sup>28</sup> And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues.

### The sixth pledge:

I am a church member. This membership is a gift. When I received the free gift of salvation through Jesus Christ, I became a part of the body of Christ. I am humbled and honored to serve and to love others in our church. I pray that I will never take my membership for granted, but see it as a gift and an opportunity to serve others and to be a part of something much greater than any one person or member.

**Next Steps:** *(make sure you mark your 'Next Steps' here as well as on your Connection Card so you can take these home and take those steps this week)*

#### MY NEXT STEPS TODAY/THIS WEEK ARE:

- I will pray daily this week for Christians around the world.
- I will pray daily for the ministry of Bethany UMC.
- I will be purposeful in being the hands and feet of Christ to others.
- I will Love God, Love others, and Serve the World.



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**Pledge #6:  
Gratitude For the Gift**

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## Pledge 6: Gratitude for the Gift

**August 5, 2018**

**8:00 & 10:30**

## TODAY'S WORSHIP CELEBRATION

(note: when you see the \* it is an invitation to stand in body or spirit as you are able)

### GATHERING MUSIC

**WELCOME TO BETHANY!** - Ron Vinger

### \*LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

[Jesus said: "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). The light is carried into the worship service as a symbol of Jesus' coming into our world and our lives and is present in our worship service.]

### TAKING STEPS FOR GROWTH

#### \*GREETING ONE ANOTHER

\*CONGREGATIONAL SONG: *(everyone sing)*  
"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" (vs. 1,2) Hymnal #89

### LIFE'S LITTLE LESSONS *(a special time for the kids up front)*

#### A TIME TO PRAY TOGETHER

Sharing our Joys and Concerns *(lift your hand and share)*  
Prayer Song "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus" Hymnal #349  
Prayer  
The Lord's Prayer (in unison - on screen)

**SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 2:8-9, 1 Corinthians 12:27-28** (see back cover)

**TEACHING FOR GROWTH: "I Am a Church Member  
- Pledge #6: Gratitude for the Gift"**  
- Ron Vinger, Certified Lay Speaker

### SHARING IN HOLY COMMUNION

#### GIVING OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

\*Song of Praise "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (vs 1) Hymnal #139  
\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*CONGREGATIONAL SONG: "We Are the Church" Hymnal #558

#### \*WE ARE SENT FORTH WITH A BLESSING

Please remain standing as the Light of Christ is carried out before us, leading us to follow Jesus as we love God, love one another, and serve the world.

## Welcome to Bethany

To Parents of Young Children: Relax! God put the 'wiggle' in children – don't feel like you have to suppress those wiggles in God's house.

#### Some Tips:

- 1 – Consider sitting towards the front where it is easier for your little ones to engage.
- 2 – Quietly explain the parts of the service and the actions of the worship leaders.
- 3 – Sing the songs, pray the prayers, listen to the teaching. Children learn by mimicking you.
- 4 – If you need to leave the worship space temporarily with your child, feel free to do so at any time but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the the children come..."
- 5 – Encourage your child to participate in the "Life's Little Lessons" part of our worship service. It's designed just for your kids! (many parents will also accompany their child to the front, especially if they are nervous or need some guidance – come on up!)

#### Some Tools:

- 1 - There is a nursery just off the lobby where you came in. Head on in there if you and your child need a little break, for baby changing or to use the private bathroom for children who are potty training. The worship service sound is piped in there as well. Come back in to the sanctuary and join us when you are ready.
- 2 – If you need an out-of-the-way place to feed/nurse your baby you'll find such a room near the pastor's office near the main church entrance. Look for the sign and make yourself at home! Please ask an usher for help if you need directions.
- 3 – Please feel free to make use of the children's activity bags that are available just outside the entrance to the nursery.

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#### Sunday Morning Schedule

8:00 & 10:30 Worship Service  
9:15 Friends & Food - Fellowship Hall  
9:15 Sunday School – meet in the Sanctuary

**Church Office Hours** 494.8801 Monday – Thursday 9:30am – 2:30pm

**Newsletter Items Due** Third Sunday of the month



#### NAME TAGS

If you would like a Bethany UMC Name Tag – please write your name on the clipboard located near the Name Tag holders in the Lobby. If you already have a Name Tag – please remember to put it on - to help us get to know you.