

Fall 2010 Dates of Interest

AUGUST 21 | 5:00 P.M.
Worship and Fall Kick-Off Celebration

AUGUST 22 | 4:00 – 6:00 P.M.
Connection Celebration

SEPTEMBER 11 – 12
Christian Education Weekend

SEPTEMBER 12 | 3:00 – 6:00 P.M.
My Gifts and Passions Workshop

SEPTEMBER 18
All Church Work Day

SEPTEMBER 24 | 6:00 – 8:30 P.M.
Family Fun Night

SEPTEMBER 24 – 26
Meet the Composer Weekend

OCTOBER 3 | 4:00 – 6:00 P.M.
Connection Celebration

OCTOBER 16 – 17
Stewardship Consecration Weekend

OCTOBER 17 | 3:00 – 6:00 P.M.
My Gifts and Passion Workshop

Worship Services

Bethany offers a variety of worship styles and experiences so you may connect with God in a significant and meaningful way. All services are held in the sanctuary unless noted otherwise.

SATURDAY EVENING:

5:00 P.M. Casual; traditional and contemporary music

SUNDAY:

8:15 A.M. Traditional

9:30 A.M. Contemporary Praise and Worship

9:30 A.M. Contemplative Taizé with Communion
Grimes Chapel

11:00 A.M. Traditional

12:30 P.M. Contemporary Praise and Worship

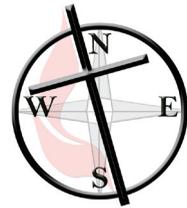
6:00 AND 6:45 P.M. Youth Worship*
Lighthouse

7:00 P.M. Taizé Wholeness and Healing with Communion*
Grimes Chapel

WEDNESDAY EVENING:

6:30 – 7:00 P.M. Casual with scripture, music, communion, and prayer

*Please check the church calendar on the Bethany website to confirm date and/or time.



WAYPOINTS

A Discipleship Pathway Leading You to Experience God's Love, Know Jesus Christ, Grow in His Image

Welcome to WAYPOINTS! We are excited to offer this Discipleship Pathway to a lifelong engagement with God in Jesus Christ. The pathway of discipleship is a process by which we look to Jesus that we might become more like Jesus. The WAYPOINTS are coordinates along the pathway to guide your steps as you grow toward Christian maturity.

STAGE 1: EXPERIENCE GOD'S LOVE

ALPHA: This 10-week overview of the Christian faith is designed for both the beginner and the more mature Christian who would like a deeper sense of Christianity. Each session begins with a light meal. After a talk addressing a key issue of the Christian faith, we divide into small groups to listen, learn, discuss and discover. ALPHA's small-group setting is great for getting to know people and experiencing God's love.

Introduction to Prayer: One of the best ways to experience God's love is to learn how to talk and listen to Him. Our prayer ministry offers a basic course on prayer to help you understand and practice this most important way of communicating with God.

Local Hands-On Mission: At least once each month, Bethany offers a local, hands-on mission project. Through our FaithWorks ministry, you will have a user-friendly way to connect with the least, the last and the lost, learning of God's love for them and yourself.

Introduction to Methodism: One of Bethany's most popular classes, this two-session course on the basics of Methodism, its history, doctrine, and mission is offered periodically throughout the year.

STAGE 2: KNOW JESUS CHRIST

Disciple 1: This long-term Bible study covers most of the Bible in 34 weeks. Disciple 1 provides a systematic way to become acquainted with the Bible in the intimacy of a small group. What better way to know Jesus Christ than to read and study God's Word with an experienced teacher and others?

Spiritual Gifts and Passions: The best way to begin serving Christ is to learn what spiritual gifts and passions God has given you. In this workshop, you will take a Spiritual Gifts Inventory to discover how you are created in a unique way and come to know Jesus Christ through the joy of serving with your passions.

Hands-On Missions: Jesus Christ taught us that to know him more deeply, we must love and serve our

neighbor. If you have participated in a FaithWorks project, consider moving up to a more challenging mission project like a short-term mission trip to Mountain T.O.P. in Tennessee, Brownsville or perhaps El Salvador or Kenya.

Small group/Sunday school affiliation: John Wesley, founder of the Methodist movement, said no one can be a Christian on their own. Everyone needs a group of people to travel the pathway with them for guidance, encouragement, comfort and accountability. Through group participation, we come to know Jesus Christ through others.

STAGE 3: GROW IN HIS IMAGE

Disciple 2, 3 and 4 or Jesus and the Gospels: After taking Disciple 1, each of the other 32-week, long-term Disciple classes give a more in-depth understanding of the Bible. Jesus and the Gospels is a 30-week, long-term study that concentrates on the gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

Celebration of Discipline: This famous book by Richard Foster explores the central spiritual practices of the Christian faith and provides a path to spiritual growth. The book celebrates 12 "classical disciplines," which are divided into three categories, or movements, of the Spirit: inward, outward and corporate. Foster offers insights and examples of how these disciplines can become a part of our daily lives and bring us closer to God.

Walk to Emmaus: This spiritual renewal weekend program strengthens the local church through the development of Christian disciples and leaders. The program's approach seriously considers the model of Christ's servanthood and encourages Christ's disciples to act in ways appropriate to being a servant of all.

Leadership Class: This three-year learning experience builds Core Values (year 1); encourages Self-Discovery (year 2); and provides a Life Plan of service to Jesus Christ through leadership (year 3).

Chart Your Course



Where to?

**Fall
Kick Off
2010**



View Map

GUIDING PEOPLE'S SEARCH

Bethany United Methodist Church

*Leading People to Experience God's Love,
Know Jesus Christ & Grow in His Image!*

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Ready to navigate?

Bethany United Methodist Church has a variety of ministries to guide you. The following are the fall kick-off dates for our regularly scheduled ministry activities, unless noted otherwise. We invite you to visit our website or call the church office for a complete list of our ministries where you can explore your spiritual path or search for opportunities to serve!

 **Children's Ministry**
 Children's Sunday School
AUGUST 29 9:30 AND 11:00 A.M.
 Bethany School Year
SEPTEMBER 7 9:00 A.M.
 CONTACT: SUSAN HINDERLITER

 **Student Ministry**
 Youth Week (see website or Youth Week flier)
AUGUST 13 – 20 only Various Times
 Sunday School in the Lighthouse
AUGUST 22 9:30 AND 11:00 A.M.
 UMYF
AUGUST 22 5:30 P.M.
 College Bible Study
AUGUST 24 6:30 P.M.
 Wednesday Night Bible Study
SEPTEMBER 1 6:30 P.M.
 CONTACT: MAGGIE TODD

 **Adult Discipleship**
 Adult Sunday School Open House
AUGUST 29 9:30 AND 11:00 A.M.
 SpiritWalk and In-depth Bible Studies
SEPTEMBER 7 Various Dates and Times
 CONTACT: FRANK JACKS JR.

 **Women's Ministry**
 Mom to Mom
SEPTEMBER 9 Morning and Evening
 Beth Moore Bible Study:
Here and Now... There and Then, A Lecture Series on Revelation
SEPTEMBER 14 9:30 A.M.
 CONTACT: PASTOR SHERI CLIFTON



 **Men's Ministry**
 Men's Fraternity:
Winning at Work and Home
SEPTEMBER 14 6:00 A.M.
 CONTACT: TODD BRYANT

 **Alpha**
 Alpha Celebration Dinner
AUGUST 29 only 6:00 P.M.
 Alpha Course
SEPTEMBER 12 5:30 – 8:00 P.M.
 CONTACT: AMY CANNON

 **Care Ministry**
 ReWYRE:
Rebuilding When Your Relationship Ends
SEPTEMBER 12 6:00 P.M.
 CONTACT: CECILIA BARRENTINE
 GriefShare:
14-week grief support group for people who have lost a loved one to death
SEPTEMBER 12 3:30 – 5:30 P.M.
 CONTACT: PASTOR WYNN STENFTENAGEL

 **Music Ministry**
 Chancel Choir
AUGUST 4 7:30 P.M.
 JuBELLation (Youth Bells)
AUGUST 22 3:00 P.M.
 PureSound (Youth Choir)
AUGUST 22 4:00 P.M.
 Hallelujah Ringers
AUGUST 25 6:30 P.M.
 Bethany Orchestra
AUGUST 26 6:30 P.M.
 Bethany Bells
AUGUST 26 7:30 P.M.
 Children's Choirs
SEPTEMBER 8 6:15 P.M.
 Celebration Ringers (Children's Bells)
SEPTEMBER 12 4:30 P.M.
 CONTACT: CURT OLSON

 **Worship**
 ReConnect Sermon Series
SEPTEMBER 11 AND 12 Various Times
 CONTACT: PASTOR SHERI CLIFTON

For more details about specific ministries and dates, click on the **Ministries** tab on our website:
www.bethany-umc.org

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