Bethlehem United Methodist Church

The BUZZ

News and Current Events for
October 13, 2026

8:30 a.m. - Sunday Service
Sanctuary

9:45 a.m. - The Bridge
Fellowship Hall

11:00 a.m. - Sunday Service
Sanctuary

Sermon:
“First to the Lord”
2 Corinthians 8:1–5

Worship Online

Watch The Bridge LIVE on Facebook,
Facebook page is The Bridge at Bethlehem UMC

Watch 11:00 Worship LIVE on YouTube
Click the LIVE tab on Bethlehem Moneta Channel

Thursday, October 15

United Women in Faith

The United Women in Faith will meet in the Fellowship Hall on **Thursday, October 15, 2026** at 1:00 p.m. Ann Marie Smith and Deb Broadwater will give the program “Thanks for Every Part,” and the Joy Jar will be available for our World Thank Offering which is a way for members of United Women in Faith to show gratitude for God’s blessings and find creative ways to raise funds to improve the lives of women, children, and youth. Please join us for this time of fellowship.

Monday, October 19

The Single Women Together will meet for lunch at Alessandros Restaurant at 6724 Whitehouse Road, Huddleston, at 12 noon on **Monday, October 19**. Please RSVP to Sue Whitney at whit2inva@gmail.com or 862-233-5887 no later than October 16.

Tuesday, October 20

The UMM meeting is on **Tuesday, October 20, at 9:00 a.m.** It is a breakfast meeting at the Smith Mountain Lake Coffee House. They have graciously agreed to let us reserve the adjacent dining room. While the meeting will start at 9:00 a.m., you are encouraged to come a little earlier and place your breakfast order. Please feel free to invite your wife or friends.

We are fortunate to have John Naples as our guest speaker. John is the Development Director for C.A.T.S. (Children's Assistive Technology Service). C.A.T.S. started in 2014 as a local initiative and has grown into a statewide resource for families of children with physical, neurological, and developmental disabilities. In 2025 alone, 1,246 pieces of adaptive equipment were provided to 1,119 families across the Commonwealth!

Please plan to join us for good food, fellowship, and an opportunity to learn more about one of the charities we support through our annual giving.

Sunday, October 25

Join us on **Sunday, October 25** for an exciting Stewardship Sunday indoor picnic in the Fellowship Hall. We will have only two services on Stewardship Sunday. We invite you to start your day with our dynamic Bridge service at 9:45 a.m. and/or our uplifting combined Traditional Service at 11:00 a.m. And the excitement doesn't stop there — stick around after the 11:00 a.m. service for a delicious picnic lunch. Don't miss out on this special day!

Sunday, November 1

Candy Donations for Fall Festival

You're welcome to drop off candy donations in the box at the Welcome Center through **Friday, October 30th**. Thank you so much for your generosity!

Sunday, November 8 -

Tuesday, November 10

The Women's Retreat at St. Francis Springs Prayer Center will be It will be **Sunday, November 8 - Tuesday, November 10**. Please email Susan Hughes at susieqhughes@gmail.com to reserve a spot.

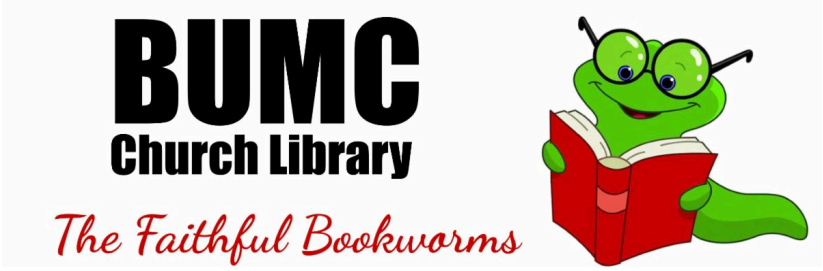
Thursday, November 26

Our annual Community Thanksgiving lunch will be held on **Thursday, November 26**. You'll find sign-up sheets for volunteering and donating food in the Welcome Center. We're so grateful for your generous support!

Thank you Bethlehem family and friends for your support for Food for Kids! You are amazing! This was the first year we participated in the SML Charity Home Tour. It seemed like a huge task, but you certainly lightened our load and made it a very successful weekend. We could not do what we do without your volunteer service. And everything just fell into place! The Pecoraro home was beautiful and we so enjoyed getting to know the gracious home owners, and sharing our Food for Kids story. Thank you!

We are looking for volunteers to provide fresh flowers for our sanctuary altar during Sunday worship. If you would like to order an arrangement, please sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office. You can coordinate the style of the arrangement and your preferred budget with the church secretary.

Blessed prayer shawls, blankets, and bears are located in a cabinet next to the stairwell to the right of room 106. Each one has a caring tag attached. If you know someone who is facing a health challenge, suffered a loss, or in the midst of a stressful situation, feel free to select an appropriate item to give them. If you need assistance, ask at the church office or ask a host on Sunday.



Bethlehem is very fortunate to have our small library, thanks to such able volunteers in the past as Linda Beard and Nancy Galvan. It is a pleasant space for sitting and reading, for families to gather before a funeral service, and for small groups to meet and study. So, when you do meet in the library, please be kind to the next person who wants to use it and remove any equipment and/or chairs that you brought into the room and return them to their proper place. Also, please do not leave your personal books there. Come in, read, study, check out a book, and enjoy our small library.

Thank you,
Sandra Richardson

Thanks to the Good Samaritans who helped the woman on Snow Creek Road by rebuilding her steps, trimming the trees, and repairing her gate.

Battery Recycling

The Green Team is happy to announce a new recycling program at church. Bring in all your used household alkaline and rechargeable batteries and old cell phones to be recycled at the Bedford County Recycling Center. We love keeping recyclable items out of the landfills! Thank you for all the recycling items you bring in, and for recycling at home!

- Sundays, 9:45 a.m. - **The Journey** *(Room 106)* “The Holy Spirit”
- Sundays, 11:00 a.m. - **The Bridge** *(Room 112)* “Jeremiah”
- Sundays, 11:00 a.m. - **Family Small Group** *(Small Group for Families with children)*
- Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. - **Pastor’s Bible Study Class**
- Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m. - **Upper Room** - Wake Cafe

4:30 p.m.
Gentle Chair Yoga

5:00 p.m.
Getting Ahead

5:50 p.m. - Meal

6:30 p.m.
A Life Worth Living
Disciple 2
All Things Great and Small
Living Prayer
Financial Empowerment

Youth : Grades 6 - 12
Pre-K: Elementary
Nursery: 0 - 3 Years

October Calendar of Community Events

Kaleidoscope - The Gathering Place

2500 Hardy Road, Hardy VA

- Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. - **Spirit Yoga with Chairs**
- Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m. - **Spirit Yoga with Mats**
- October 16, 6:30 p.m. - **SMAC Art Show Reception / Awards**
- October 16 - 24, 12:00p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - **SMAC Art Show Viewing**

- October 22 and 29, 2:00 p.m. - **Full Plate Living Workshop**
- October 25, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. - **SMAC Art Show Viewing**
- October 27, 6:00 p.m. - **Line Dancing**
- October 28, 10:00 a.m. - **MOSAIC - Drop In Gathering**
- October 28, 6:30 p.m. - **Lake Players: From Audition to Applause! Acting Workshop**

Click to View: October Kaleidoscope Newsletter

Email Susan to be Added to Monthly Newsletter

Upcoming Events

- Wednesday, October 14, 11:30 a.m. - **Civitan Club Meetin**g, Fellowship Hall
- Thursday, October 15, 1:00 p.m. - **UWIF Membership Meetin**g, Fellowship Hall
- Monday, October 19, 12:00 p.m. - **Single Women Together Group**

Recurring Events

- Sundays, 8:30, 9:45, and 11:00 a.m. - In-Person Worship
- Sundays, 9:45 a.m. - Livestream The Bridge Worship on Facebook (The Bridge at Bethlehem UMC Facebook page)
- Sundays, 11:00 a.m. - Livestream Sanctuary Worship on YouTube
- Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. - Prayer Time - Zoom - Email for Link
- Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m. - Praise Band Practice
- Wednesdays, 4:30 p.m. - Bell Choir Practice
- Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir Practice
- Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. - Christmas Cantata Practice

Happy Birthday!

October Birthday List

Prayer Requests / Prayer List

If you have a prayer request or would like to be added to the prayer email distribution list, please email bumcprayerrequest@gmail.com.

Prayer List October 13, 2026

List of Military/Police/First Responders

Thank you for your ministry of prayer!

Thank You For Giving Online!

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Encouragement and other occasion cards available for your use!

Send an e-card

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"Outward Bound together, with Christ renewing our spirit, we seek to make a difference in the world around us, through the power of the Holy Spirit, for the sake of the kingdom."

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