Bethlehem United Methodist Church

The BUZZ

News and Current Events for
November 3, 2026

8:30 a.m. - Sunday Service
Sanctuary

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

11:00 a.m. - Sunday Service
Sanctuary

Sermon:
“Choose This Day”
Joshua 24:14-25

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

Please be in prayer for our mission team members who will be serving in Ashe County, North Carolina, **Sunday, November 1 - Saturday, November 7**. Please pray for our team's safety and that we bring the love of God to the area through our hands and feet.

Sunday, November 8

Bethlehem's annual Charge Conference will be held **Sunday, November 8**, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Redwood United Methodist Church, 3001 Old Franklin Turnpike, Rocky Mount. We will join other United Methodist churches in the area to conduct the church's annual business. Church leaders and members are welcome to attend.

Friday, November 13

The United Methodist Men are sponsoring a trip on **Friday, November 13** to see the Rail Yard Dawgs play hockey at the Berglund Center in Roanoke. We will take the church van so can accept up to 14 in addition to the driver. Please contact John Wohlgemuth (301-639-7319) by Friday, October 30 to reserve a spot and pay $25 to purchase your ticket. Hopefully this will be enough to cover the tickets, parking and gas for the van.

Sunday, November 15

The United Women in Faith will hold their annual Potato Bake after church services on **Sunday, November 15.**

After the 8:30 a.m. service: TAKE-OUT
After the 9:45 a.m. Bridge and 11:00 a.m. services: TAKE-OUT or DINE-IN

There will be a big, delicious baked potato with all the toppings, including cheese, sour cream, butter, vegetables, and chili. A freewill donation will be given to the Society of Saint Andrew to support their efforts in distributing food that would otherwise go to waste to those in need of hunger relief. The Society of St. Andrew Potato and Produce Project started in Big Island,

Virginia, and has distributed over 800 million pounds of food to America's hungry. So, come hungry and give generously.

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Friday, November 20

Back by popular demand - the Hardy RoadHouse Band is coming back to Kaleidoscope! Come join us on **Friday, November 20** at 6:00 pm for a night of great music, free food, and lots of fun. Donations are always welcome and encouraged! All are welcome, of course!

Sunday, November 22

Thursday, November 26

We will set up the tables and prepare some of the food on Wednesday, November 25, at 1:00 p.m. Please arrive at the church at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 26, to help with the meal. Please drop off all food by Wednesday, November 25, except the turkeys, which should be dropped off Thursday morning if possible. Sliced turkey is appreciated but not required.

Lots of fun, sweets, and soup was had by all at the Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat on Sunday afternoon! We had a great attendance with over 70 children and their families from Bethlehem and the community. Thank you to everyone that made this event possible through your candy, cake, and soup donations and your assistance with set up and take down! This event wouldn't be possible without your dedication to community, children, and service to others!

LET YOUR FAITH BE BIGGER THAN YOUR FEAR
DARK SIDE
RIP
Welcome to the Carnival

This was Celebration Sunday, October 25, 2026, the culmination of our Fall Stewardship Campaign “Giving as an Act of Worship.” The Fellowship Hall and the Welcome Center were filled with food, fellowship, and friendship as we celebrated God’s bountiful generosity and expressed our gratitude for His abundant blessings. Thanks to everyone for sharing this wonderful meal together. We also thank God for the Hospitality Committee and Kitchen Crew, who planned, prepared, and served this meal with such joyful hearts. Their service today, as always, is a beautiful act of worship.

Bethlehem's youth enjoyed a hike up Sharp Top at the Peaks of Otter. Thank you to Frank Nelson and Dave Hudgins for leading this fun group outing.

In 1939, two Americans, Gilbert and Eleanor Kraus, made a bold and unprecedented decision to travel into Nazi Germany in an effort to save a group of Jewish children. The fifty children rescued by the couple accounted for the largest known single group admitted into America during the entirety of World War II. (Sadly, by the end of the war, among the holocaust victims were one and a half million children.) Steven Pressman's book, 50 Children, tells the extraordinary story of their efforts. The book can be found in the Inspiration section of our library. Check it out.

Thank you,
Sandra Richardson

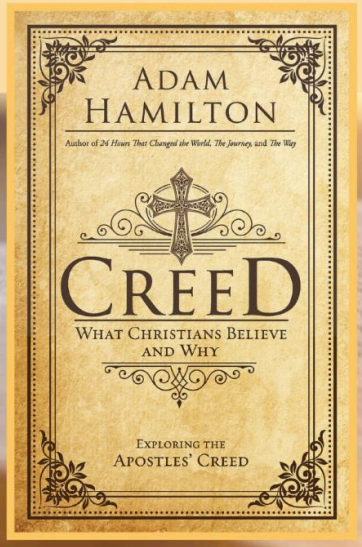
Update on Our BATTERY Recycling

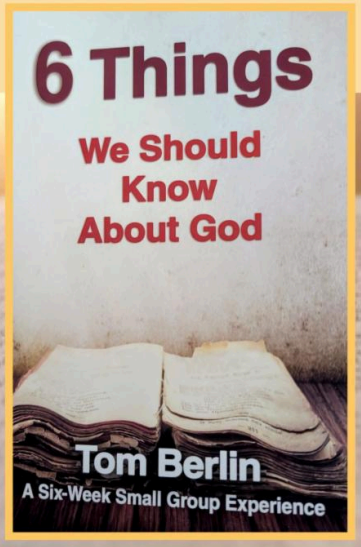
We can take all dry batteries. That includes tool batteries. The only kind we cannot take is acid cell batteries.

Christian Education

- Sundays, 9:45 a.m. - **The Journey** *(Room 106)* “Creed”
- Sundays, 11:00 a.m. - **The Bridge** *(Room 112)* “6 Things We Should Know About God”
- 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

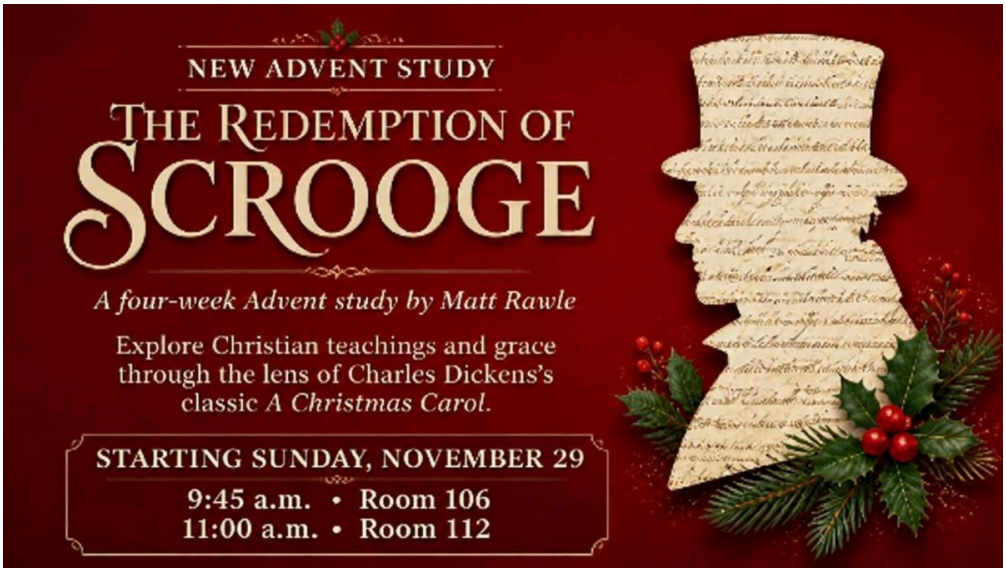
Sunday Adult Classes





9:45 a.m.
Room 106

11:00 a.m.
Room 112



Wonderful Wednesdays

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

Kaleidoscope

November 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**
- Tuesday November 3, 6:00 p.m. - **Pilates**
- Thursday November 5 and 19, 7:00 p.m. - **Card Playing Group**
- Mondays and Thursdays Starting November 9 at 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - **The Heal Program** Sponsored by Carilion Clinic (No Class 11/26)
- Wednesday November 11, 6:30 p.m. - **Lake Players: From Audition to Applause! Acting Workshop**
- Friday November 20, 6:00 p.m. - **Coffeehouse Event** - Live Music
- Saturday November 21, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - **Holiday Market**

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Email Susan to be Added to Monthly Newsletter

Upcoming Events

- Tuesday, November 3, 2:00 p.m. - Stephen Ministry Meeting, Room 112
- Tuesday, November 3, 2:30 p.m. - Committal of Nancy Miller, BUMC Cemetary
- Thursday, November 5, 2:30 p.m. - Administrative Board Meeting, Room 106
- Friday, November 6, 1:00 p.m. - Green Team Meeting, Zoom
- Sunday, November 8 - Tuesday, November 10 - Women's Retreat

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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!

November 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 November 3, 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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