



Transforming Lives As We Seek, Share, And Serve God.



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EMPOWERED!

By Pastor Pam Anderson

And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit"

Acts 2:2-4

I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh... then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Acts 2:17-21

Pentecost was originally a Jewish festival that occurred during the 'Feast of First Fruits' 50 days after Passover. It was a time to celebrate the initial harvest feast and to make loaves of bread from these 'first fruits' of the wheat harvest as an offering to God. This was also a time of pilgrimage where the Jews from all over the world would return to Jerusalem for the festival.

We celebrate Pentecost on June 5th this year to remember the gifts of the Holy Spirit. When Jesus ascended, He promised to provide a comforter. It was in that moment on Pentecost that believers were empowered with the Holy Spirit. In New Testament Scripture, Acts 2, the Holy Spirit comes to the apostles on Pentecost to fulfill Jesus's words. As a result, we, as believers, as the church, and as the body of Christ, are called to share the good news to all through the power of the Holy Spirit. Non-believers receive the Holy Spirit when they become believers, at their baptisms.

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Pentecost by El Greco
Prado Museum, Madrid Spain

“Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.’” (Acts 2:38)

The Holy Spirit empowers us to fulfill our great commission of making disciples of Jesus Christ in that we have strength to share our testimonies and it sets us apart. Robert Hall in the New Interpreter’s Bible Commentary sums up the prophetic action of Pentecost like this: “The community’s forward movement toward God’s eschatological horizon of a restored Israel is fundamentally a prophetic movement, a movement of empowered and illumined proclamation; and Pentecost is fundamentally the pouring out of the Spirit of prophecy as the distinguishing mark of that movement.” As we hear and tell this story from Acts 2, we are asked to speak about the radical, inclusive love of God - bear witness, share our testimony, and spread the Good News about Jesus Christ.

As Christians we are the ‘First Fruits’ of the season and we offer ourselves to God. Our individual fruits (gifts) are from the Holy Spirit along with the Power of the Holy Spirit to use them successfully. They are found in Galatians 5:22-23. Love is seeking the highest good for others. Joy is gladness not based on circumstances. Peace is contentment and unity between people. Patience means we are slow to speak and slow to anger. Kindness is being merciful, sweet, and tender. Goodness is generous and open hearted. Faithfulness is being dependable, loyal, and full of trustworthiness. Gentleness is being humble, calm, non-threatening. And Self-control is behaving well.

In living with a focus on these, we demonstrate the Love of God to the world. And, if at any time we feel we are weak and cannot bear witness to these fruits, prayer is a means to ignite the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives. As we consider the meaning of Pentecost this year, let us internalize it. Focus on our gifts and how strong we are in sharing those first fruits as we interact with others. Showing love to all is one of the best testimonies of the Glory of God that we can share.

BE IN THE KNOW

JUNE COMMUNION OFFERINGS (information from <https://vaumc.org/nurturing/>)

2022 ANNUAL CONFERENCE OFFERING

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This month’s Communion Offering goes towards the UM Conference Offering. Donations made towards the annual conference offering will benefit both local and international mission projects to nurture leadership. This annual conference offering will directly sponsor the D.Min Program at Wesley Theological Seminary whose graduates serve to nurture soldiers all over the world. Also, Partnerships of Hope will continue to be the recipient of this annual conference offering. Most of the Partnerships of Hope projects focus on leadership development and their countries.



BEULAH'S
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UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH READING PROGRAM

What are you reading this summer? Do you like novels? Biographies? Books that enlighten you about current issues crying out for solutions? What about uplifting books that help you grow spiritually? Books that lead you to explore ways to help your community? Stories of real people dealing with real issues, either global or personal? Our UWF library in the Fellowship Hall has books of all descriptions just waiting to enrich your life, and we invite you to check it out (pun intended). When you find a book you like, just locate its card in the check-out box and sign it out. And don't miss our UWF bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall entryway highlighting our library collection.

POTLUCK/AUCTION REPORT

The first event sponsored by Beulah's United Women in Faith (formerly United Methodist Women) was a huge success, raising \$2,070 for missions, \$1,862 from the auction and \$208 from table donations! Many, many thanks to everyone who helped: All the UWF members who worked diligently before, during and after the event; our dishwasher Marvin Waldrop; our entertaining auctioneer Pastor Don; our auction assistants Emma Gibson and Riley Turner; everyone who brought the delicious food; everyone who donated auction items; everyone who bid to take home the goodies; and last but not least, Cathy Turner, who kept all the ducks in a row! Thank you!

UWF MISSION WITNESS

The Prayer Calendar is published annually by United Methodist Women. It invites us to pray as one people responsive to God's call to relationships of caring, connecting and healing in a world of uncertainty in all but the love of God. Each month we share a testimony from a person in mission for Christ through the United Methodist Church.

SCRIPTURE FOR THE MONTH

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against things like this.

Galatians 5:22-23

WITNESS

I met a man named K. He had been kept chained up by his family and was brought into the hospital with deep wounds on his wrists from being kept in bonds. The bones were visible, and there was so much infection that the orthopedic doctor was sure that his hands would need to be amputated. But the head of the Pastoral Care/Social Services department at the hospital didn't want to see this amputation happen. He prayed - and he believed that God could do anything - including the full healing of K. And it happened! Yes, he has some scars to remind him of what he went through but he has full use of his hands and he is able to remember that God was the one who healed him. I continue to be humbled by our Nepali Christian colleagues. Even though they always ask us to speak at gatherings, lead Bible studies or teach them, I am constantly thinking that it should be the other way around. I have so much to learn from them.

*Lester Dornon, Global Missionary from the United States
serving in Nepal, Tansen Hospital*

PRAYER

Please pray for international missionaries serving in Kenya, Laos, Liberia, Malawi and Mexico and our missionaries serving in the United States in Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri and Montana.

SHERBOURNE PANTRY

During the month of June, Sherbourne Food Pantry is requesting donations of any type of boxed, bottled, or canned fruit and vegetable juices and Kool-aid (with sugar) will help provide beverage for children who are out of school for the summer.

CONFERENCE KITS GRACE PERIOD

We are dedicating our Cleaning Buckets and Hygiene Kits for Annual Conference this morning, but it's not too late to add to our total. If you can get your kit(s) to the church by Tuesday, June 7, we will make sure it is part of Beulah's donation. The instructions are available at the Information Center, and there are still buckets in the narthex collection area to be filled. Thanks to everyone for your generosity!

CONGRATULATIONS HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING CLASS OF 2022

GRADUATION SUNDAY

On **Sunday, June 5** we will be celebrating our high school graduates.

We will also be handing out the the scholarship awards.

Krissy Henderson

Krissy graduated from Meadowbrook High school. She will be attending Virginia Commonwealth University School of Arts in the fall, to pursue a degree in Photography.



Lydia Spitzley

Lydia graduated from Thomas Dale High School. She will be attending John Tyler Community College (Brightstar), to prepare for entry into an Ultrasound Technician program.



2022 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

BEULAH

Aaliyah Hartwill
Kass Spitzley

HART

Wren Sadler
Logan Spitzley Lee

HOLMES

Madison Coyne
Claire Gibson
Andrew Glass

SMITH

Isaiah Gibson
Maggie Glass

BEULAH AND HOLMES

Krissy Henderson

HART, SCHMITZ,

AND SMITH

Lydia Spitzley

VBS IS HAPPENING! AUGUST 3 - 6

We are happy to announce that we will be having Vacation Bible School. The theme for this year is "FOOD TRUCK PARTY!" Exploring how God works and provides through the gift of food. We are excited for VBS this year. Please **SAVE THE DATE!** If you wish to be a volunteer, please contact Pastor Daniel Chun and/or Karen Clanton

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



AUGUST 3 - 6

SPIRIT SQUAD

Spirit Squad is a new ministry - an active intergenerational gathering of friends connected in faith, living with and sharing the Holy Spirit. All are welcome! Grab your friends and family, bring the kids, and join us for a fun activity every second Friday of the month from 5:30-8:00 pm. Volunteers needed to lead and coordinate this ministry!

The first gathering is Friday, June 10, at Bowl America South - the first 30 that sign up are free! There will be bowling, shoe rental, childcare, pizza, wings, and drinks.

Register now on SignUp Genius: [Spirit Squad Bowl Night Sign Up](#)

2022 dates of future events include July 8, August 12, September 9, October 14, November 11, and December 9. Ideas Outdoor Movie Night w/ Kona Ice Truck, Cookout and Lawn Games, Christian Band and Food Truck, Night Out (Restaurant with childcare at the church), Fall'Fest Pumpkin Carving, Americana Trivia and BBQ, Caroling & Hot Chocolate! Childcare and Food will be provided at all events!

Contact Pastor Pam at pam@beulahumc.org if you have any questions.



WEDNESDAY WORSHIP MEAL SUMMER SCHEDULE

Mark your calendars to attend our Wednesday Worship Meals. Please note that during the summer we will only meet once a month: **June 1, July 6, and August 3**, then return to weekly meals beginning in September. June 1 will begin our Summer Schedule with our neighborhood partner Pino's Pizza providing: Pizza, Wings, and Salad.

If you are able to help with any of these WWMs or are willing to take on more of a leadership role, please email Pastor Pam at pam@beulahumc.org.

BAZAAR MEETING

On Thursday, **June 2** at 10:30 am we will meet in room 107 to "kick off" plans for the 2022 BAZAAR. Come with your imagination in high gear and let's make this the biggest and best BAZAAR ever. Remember June 2 at 10:30 am, in room 107.

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING

There will be a special called Administrative Board Meeting on **Tuesday, June 7** at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, contact Beth Spitzley at kspitzley@aol.com.

MOPS

Beulah, in partnership with MOPS International, is seeking to support moms in our church and community. We are looking to kick off a MOPS 5 Week 'Deep Dive into the challenges of motherhood and support. Please spread the word! The purpose of MOPS is to encourage and equip moms to realize their potential as mothers, women, and leaders, in relationship with Jesus. If you are interested in supporting this ministry, please reach out to Pastor Pam at pam@beulahumc.org.

I'D RATHER LIVE BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD

By Albert E. Brumly Sr.

**There are people that would rather live in splendor
And brag about their silver and their gold
People who would trade God's promise
And its glory to hold**

**People who would rather live in mansions
People who would rather live abroad
But I'd rather have a little log cabin
By the side of the road.**

**I'd rather live by the side of the road
And try to point souls to the best abode
Than to be a king or a millionaire
And live in mansions in bright array**

**I'd rather have the cabin by the roadside
Where the pilgrim is the man that's passing by
While I point some soul to Jesus
And God's city on high.**

**Every day I want to help scatter roses
Ever nite I want my lamp to shine above
With a welcome from my little bay window
By the side of the road.**

THANK YOU

To: Beulah Family

From: Barbra Tuttle

I can't find the words to adequately express my appreciation for all the cards, phone calls, and concern shown me after my recent eye surgery. In addition to having an amazing doctor who saved my eye, I am blessed to be part of such a loving church family. Looking forward to seeing you all more clearly as time passes!

To: Beulah

From: Pat Compton and family

It is difficult to put into words our thanks for the phone calls, visits, flowers and food that was given after the passing of our loved one. Each card brought such warmth and love that meant so much to us. Special thanks to Pastor Don for his visits that gave us so much comfort. We have felt the concern in your prayers and your comfort in your words.

To: Beulah

From: Kathy Donovan

For the past two years, I have received so many lovely creative greeting cards from the card ministry. They have arrived at times that were needed...to know that even though I am still not worshipping in person, the support of my forever church is out there. The misplaced femur fracture nearly two years ago was life changing for me and the rehabilitation is ongoing through RVA Swim, active yard work at home and surgical monitoring. That, in addition to messages given me by cardiac specialists have forced me to be extremely careful regarding covid. This is a short and far too late way of expressing my gratefulness for the thoughts, messages and support through Beulah Church. All of it is and has been appreciated.

To: Beulah Family

From: Caryl and Jim Harris

Words can never fully express the gratitude we feel for all the acts of kindness shown to us during Mama's illness and her passing. Your prayers kept us going during this difficult time. You truly epitomize the hands and feet of Christ, and we are so blessed to be part of such an amazing family.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

02	Martha Payne	08	Frankie Beatty	20	Ann Arnold
03	Valerie Sarrett	09	Dave Jones	23	Ann Worrell
04	Butch Sanderson Jr.	11	Dolly Covington	25	Frank Williams
05	HT Bareford Jr.	12	Kelsey Inman	27	Ed Christopher
	Anne Christopher	15	Koranny More Espinal		Pauline Sherrill
	Ann Gould	16	John Huband	28	Garry Soyars
	Geneva Harris		Kent Hudson	29	Jane Schmierer
07	Bill Tinsley		Ron McKissick	30	Jackie Corde
			Barbara Tinsley		Lydia Spitzley

JUNE CALENDAR

- 01 Wednesday Worship Meal
- 02 Bazaar Meeting
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 05 Graduation Sunday
Pentecost Sunday
- 07 Hugging Hearts
Admin Board Meeting
- 10 Spirit Squad: Bowling Night
- 14 Finance Meeting
- 15 Senior Council Dinner
- 16-18 Annual Conference
- 21 Springdale Bible Study
- 23 UWF Mission Meeting
- 28 Prayer Meeting

OCCURRING WEEKLY

- Sunday** 8:30 Worship
Sunday School
11:00 Worship
- Monday** Card Ministry
- Friday** Dog Ministry



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The Root Cellar is a blog, exploring the Hebrew history of our Christin faith. Come check it out at <https://root-cellar.org/>