



Bethel

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

*Timeless Truths for our
Changing Community*

Organized 1764

Mission: “Bethel Presbyterian Church exists as a fellowship of believers to make disciples of all nations (Matt 28:18-20). Together, we strive to glorify our sovereign Lord through vibrant, God-centered worship; to build up one another by teaching God’s infallible Word; to equip every member for works of service; and to be salt and light by proclaiming the gospel in word and deed.”

Vision: All for the glory of God, Bethel Presbyterian Church will be a faithful resource church that is healthy and growing in order to multiply God’s kingdom locally, regionally, and internationally. We have a vision to reach and make disciples in our community and to further multiply gospel mission by equipping our leaders and our congregation for ministry and facilitating assimilation into the body of Christ.

Celebrating God’s Faithfulness...Advancing His Kingdom!

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The Lord's Day Worship

Sunday, January 16, 2022

Preparation

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

Adoration

***The Call to Worship** Psalm 8:1-4, 9

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! NIV

***The Hymn of Adoration** “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” *Trinity Hymnal #38*

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unchanging and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all praise we would render; O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

The Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***The Hymn of Praise**

“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe, That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray, That in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead, And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

Leader (Q29): How are we made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ?

Congregation (A29): We are made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ, by the effectual application of it to us by his Holy Spirit.

Leader (Q30): How doth the Spirit apply to us the redemption purchased by Christ?

Congregation (A30): The Spirit applieth to us the redemption purchased by Christ, by working faith in us, and thereby uniting us to Christ in our effectual calling.

Leader (Q89): How is the word made effectual to salvation?

Congregation (A89): The Spirit of God maketh the reading, but especially the preaching, of the word, an effectual means of convincing and converting sinners, and of building them up in holiness and comfort, through faith, unto salvation.

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 40:13-15

Who has understood the mind of the LORD, or instructed him as his counselor? Whom did the LORD consult to enlighten him, and who taught him the right way? Who was it that taught him knowledge, or showed him the path of understanding? Surely the nations are like a drop in a bucket; they are regarded as dust on the scales; he weighs the islands as though they were fine dust. NIV

Individual & Corporate Confession

Holy and merciful God, in Your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways. In wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease You. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in Your light, and walk in Your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. This we pray, in His name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Ephesians 1:7

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace...NIV

Collection

Offertory Scripture & Giving of Our Lord's Tithes Luke 6:38

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. NIV

Offertory Anthem

The Choir

***Doxology**

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Consecration

Children's Sermon

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Mr. Trent Thomas

The Holy Spirit Unlocks Wisdom

Text: 1 Corinthians 2:6-16 (pew Bible p.1773)

Response & Benediction

***The Hymn of Response**

“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

Trinity Hymnal #30

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,
from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

The busy tribes of flesh and blood, with all their lives and cares,
are carried downward by your flood, and lost in foll'wing years.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come:
O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

**We stand, as we are able, to praise the Lord.*

Nursery	<u>Infants</u>	<u>Toddlers</u>
Today	Lindsay Hoffman, Brandon Wallace, Ilse Wallace	Harper Bourque, Julie McKinnon
Nxt wk	Sam Griffin, Lorie Holben	Marianne Falls, Ruth McCormick

*Happy Birthday today to Nathan McKinnon!
Happy Birthday this week to Susan Flanagan and Sheridan Miller on 1/18, Christina Deal, David McKinnon, Julie McKinnon, Marissa Robinson and Sarah Seaford on 1/21 and Walker Love on 1/22.*

This Week at Bethel:

Today: Kids Quest & Catechisms, 5:00-6:30 pm, Covenant SS classroom.

Tuesday: Ladies Bible Study, 9:30 am, Basement.

Thursday: Mentors & Moms, 9:30-11:15 am, Ed. Bldg.

Saturday: Fellowship Presbytery Meeting, 9:00 am at Westminster PCA in Rock Hill. Session representatives are Chris Griesman and James Long with Hamp Stowe as an alternate. Trent Thomas will preach and be examined for ordination.

Upcoming:

Ridge Haven Summer Camp for rising 3-6 graders. Please see dates below and let Lara (office@bethelchurchpca.com) know by Jan. 20 what date your child(ren) prefer to attend. Available dates: May 23-28, May 30-June 4, June 20-25, June 27-July 2 or July 18-23.

Please wait to register until I send out registration instructions later this week for the Bethel group hold.

Vacation Bible School: *SAVE THE DATE* June 13-17.

Bethel Youth Group News:

Tonight: Youth Group as Normal, 5-6:30 pm in the Basement!

Upcoming:

February 4-5: Our ski trip was changed due to weather to February 4-5. Please let Gunther know if you are no longer attending. Money is due January 30.

Summer: Our rising 7th-rising 9th grade students will be attending the Edge conference from June 20-24 (sign up: by January 28) and our rising 9th-graduated seniors will be attending RYM at the beach July 11-16 (sign up: by January 23).

Building Plans Update:

We ARE currently working on building plan options AND we ARE making some progress. We will communicate updates with more information for congregational consideration and approval as soon as we can. Given current circumstances, we do not yet know when an appropriate time to begin this project might be... THANK YOU for your continued patience and prayers!

Anyone wishing to have your email address added to the church email loop, please send a request to office@bethelchurchpca.com.

***** Headphones are available during worship for those with hearing difficulty. Please see a Deacon for assistance. *****

Prayer Requests: Bobby Armstrong (brother-in-law of S. McCarter Mizell, cancer), Rick Duke (cancer) and wife Judy (friends of C. Davis), Kathy Forester (E. Moseley's sister, breast cancer), Matthew Hall, Miriam Hovis, Charlotte Jackson, Mrs. Rita Jackson, Jan Kombs (friend of J. LeMoyné, stroke), Herb LeMoyné (J. LeMoyné's brother, Parkinson's disease), Annie Mae McDaniel (Judy Ferguson's mother), Jim Pittman (V. Linder's brother, cancer), Scott Wallace (breast cancer) and Norm West.