



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, November 14, 2021

Preparation

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

Adoration

***The Call to Worship** Psalm 147:1-5

Praise the LORD. How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise him! The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the exiles of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name. Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit. NIV

***The Hymn of Adoration**

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Trinity Hymnal #92

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he,
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

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**

“10,000 Reasons”

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;
Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name.*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

And on that day, when my strength is failing,
The end draws near, and my time has come;
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years, and then forevermore!

***The Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and Earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 11:1-5

A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him—the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of power, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD—and he will delight in the fear of the LORD. He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes, or decide by what he hears with his ears; but with righteousness he will judge the needy, with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth. He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth; with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked. Righteousness will be his belt and faithfulness the sash around his waist. NIV

Individual & Corporate Confession

Most Holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before Thee our sinful nature, prone to evil and slothful in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses. Thou alone knows how often we have sinned: in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors; cleanse us from our secret faults; and forgive our sins, for the sake of Your dear Son. And, O most holy and loving Father, help us, to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. It is in His name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Romans 8:31-34

What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who is he that condemns? Christ Jesus, who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. NIV

Collection

Offertory Scripture & Giving of Our Lord's Tithes Romans 12:1

Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. 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

Rev. J. Marcus Van Vlake

Patient and Persevering Faith

Text: James 5:7-12 (pew Bible p.1885)

Response & Benediction

***The Hymn of Response** “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” *Trinity Hymnal #616*

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

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

Nursery	<u>Infants</u>	<u>Toddlers</u>
Today	Trinna Meek, Sheridan Miller, Jenni Quinn	Julie McKinnon, Cathy Robinson
Nxt wk	Abby Chidester, Beth Jackson, Jessica McMullen	Kristen Meek, Marissa Robinson
<p><i>Happy Birthday today to Marianne Falls, Cary Grant and Dean McCarter! Happy Birthday this week to Mason Cuffman, Matt Falls and Zach Woolard on 11/16, Jessie Van Vlake on 11/17, Kathleen Payne and James Sorey on 11/18, Mary Love on 11/19 and Anne Adams, Lena McFalls and Kay Stewart on 11/20.</i></p> <p>Thank you, Bethel Family, for giving locally and globally so the gospel may go forth. Operation Christmas Child results: 81 shoeboxes!! 49 in-person and 32 online. Some couples told us they just sent checks to SP, so that's really even more. For His glory! The Nix Family</p> <p>The Boy Scout Troop # 1280, with the assistance of Cary & Helen Grant, have placed 283 US Flags on the graves of the veterans buried in Bethel Cemetery to honor them and to celebrate Veterans Day, which was November 11, 2021. We would also like to THANK all living veterans who have served or are presently serving our great country!</p> <p><u>This Week at Bethel:</u> Today: Neil Allen to give a brief building plan update. Kids Quest & Catechisms, 5:00-6:30 pm, Covenant SS classroom.</p> <p>Tuesday: Ladies Bible Study, 9:30 am, Basement.</p> <p>Thursday: Mentors & Moms, 9:30-11:15 am, Ed. Bldg.</p> <p><u>Next Week:</u> The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, Nov. 21st following worship for the purpose of</p>		<p>electing Elders and Deacons to the Class of 2025, congregational endorsement of the 2022 budget, for approval of change to the Senior Pastor's Call, and electing additional Church Trustees. The Session recommends to the congregation that Cary Grant and Bobby Love both be elected as additional Church Trustees. The following men are nominees for Elder: Steve Britt, Larry Falls, Cary Grant, Dean McCarter and Bobby Meek. The following men are nominees for Deacon: Kyle Mounts, Paul D. Robinson and Paul J. Robinson. Also, to consider a proposal to have the Session serve as a Pulpit Committee for recommending an Associate Pastor (Trent Thomas).</p> <p>Bethel Thanksgiving Meal Outreach: Help Bethel impact our community by sharing the love of Christ by providing a meal for a family in need. Sign up and pick up a sample shopping list in your Sunday school class or call the church office (803) 222-7166 to let us know that you would like to participate. You can also email Chris Wynkoop at: koop08008@yahoo.com. Following the service on Sunday, Nov. 21st drop your meal off to the deacons in the church parking lot.</p> <p><u>Bethel Youth Group News:</u> Tonight: No Youth group—rest from the camping trip!</p> <p>Ongoing: We have discipleship groups up and running, please talk to Gunther if you'd like to be involved!</p> <p>Nov. 21: Youth Group Leadership Team meeting at 3:45 pm in the basement. We will consider what the aim/purpose of the youth ministry is, how you can come alongside the ministry, and what we can all do better to forward our ministry goals. All parents are welcome!</p> <p>Nov. 21: Chili Cookoff! All are welcome! Bring a side if you want to join us! The youth will bring chili! 5:00 pm in FLC.</p>
<p>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. LeMoynes, stroke), Herb LeMoynes (J. LeMoynes's brother, Parkinson's disease), Dana Massey (advanced brain cancer, friend of S. Burns), Annie Mae McDaniel (Judy Ferguson's mother), Jim Pittman (V. Linder's brother, cancer), Scott Wallace (breast cancer) and Norm West.</p>		