



# Bethel

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

*Timeless Truths for our  
Changing Community*

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*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 7, 2021

## Preparation

### **The Prelude**

### **The Welcome and Announcements**

## Adoration

### **\*The Call to Worship**          Revelation 7:9-10

After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." NIV

**\*The Hymn of Adoration**

**“O Church, Arise”**

O Church, arise, and put your armor on; hear the call of Christ our Captain.  
For now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has given.  
With shield of faith and belt of Truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies;  
An army bold, whose battle cry is love, reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war—to love the captive soul, but to rage against the captor;  
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole, we will fight with faith and valor.  
When faced with trials on ev'ry side, we know the outcome is secure,  
and Christ will have the prize for which He died—an inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken;  
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, for the Conqueror has risen!  
And as the stone is rolled away and Christ emerges from the grave,  
this victory march continues 'til the day ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit come, put strength in ev'ry stride, give grace for ev'ry hurdle,  
that we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful.  
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of His grace,  
we hear their calls and hunger for the day when with Christ we stand in Glory.

## **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**

*"Jesus Shall Reign"*

*Trinity Hymnal #441*

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does his successive journeys run;  
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head;  
his name, like sweet perfume, shall rise with every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song;  
and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns; the pris'ner leaps to lose his chains,  
the weary find eternal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our King;  
angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!

## **\*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**

## **Ephesians 4:4-13**

There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope when you were called—one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. This is why it says: “When he ascended on high, he led captives in his train and gave gifts to men.” (What does “he ascended” mean except that he also descended to the lower, earthly regions? He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.) It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God’s people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. NIV

## **Individual & Corporate Confession**

Merciful God, You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You. We humbly confess our sins and ask Your mercy. We have not loved You with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with You, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving kindness. In Your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from Your presence, or take Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit. This we pray, in Jesus name. Amen.

### **Assurance of Pardon**                      Ephesians 2:1-5

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our sinful nature and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature objects of wrath. But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. NIV

### Collection

### **Offertory Scripture & Giving of Our Lord's Tithes**                      Malachi 3:10

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it." 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. Jorge Aleman**

**The Path to Freedom**

Text: Exodus 14:1-14 (pew Bible p.108)

Response & Benediction

**\*The Hymn of Response**      "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"      *Trinity Hymnal #164*

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin, he sets the pris'ner free;  
his blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

He speaks and, list'ning to his voice, new life the dead receive;  
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

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

Nursery	<u>Infants</u>	<u>Toddlers</u>
Today	Shirley Brackett, Jackie Krashner, Kat Thomas	Barbara Love, Shelly Van Vlake
Nxt wk	Trinna Meek, Sheridan Miller, Jenni Quinn	Julie McKinnon, Cathy Robinson
<p><i>Happy Birthday today to Hamp Stowe! Happy Birthday this week to Brenda Glenn on 11/9, Don Johnson and Dennis LeMoyné on 11/10, Hannah Parker on 11/11 and Shelly Van Vlake on 11/13.</i></p> <p><b>The Deacons Fund will be received in the vestibule following worship this morning.</b></p> <p><b>This Week at Bethel:</b>  <b>Today:</b> We welcome Jorge Aleman, Coordinator of Training at the Church Planting Institute (CPI). Jorge is also the pastor at Jesus Christ Source of Salvation Presbyterian Church in Monterrey, Mexico  <b>Session Meeting:</b> 2:00 pm, Conf. room, with Deacons attending.  <b>Kids Quest &amp; Catechisms,</b> 5:00-6:30 pm, Covenant SS classroom.  <b>Operation Christmas Child:</b> Final collection is today.</p> <p><b>Monday:</b> Men of the Covenant, 6:30 pm, FLC for a meal, devotional and program.  <b>Circle #3,</b> 7:00 pm, Covenant SS classroom.</p> <p><b>Tuesday:</b> Ladies Bible Study, 9:30 am, Basement.  <b>Circle #2,</b> 7:00 pm, Covenant SS classroom.</p> <p><b>Wednesday:</b> Colleen Riddle Circle, 11:00 am, Covenant SS classroom.</p> <p><b>Thursday:</b> Mentors &amp; Moms, 9:30-11:15 am, Ed. Bldg.</p> <p><b>Upcoming:</b>  <b>The Session has called a Congregational Meeting</b> for Sunday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> following worship for the purpose of 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</p>		<p>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.</p> <p><b>Bethel Thanksgiving Meal Outreach:</b> 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. 21<sup>st</sup> drop your meal off to the deacons in the church parking lot.</p> <p><b>Bethel Youth Group News:</b>  <b>Tonight:</b> Youth- 5:00-6:30 pm in the basement.  <b>Ongoing:</b> We have discipleship groups up and running, please talk to Gunther if you'd like to be involved!  <b>Nov. 12-14:</b> Our camping trip is coming, please sign up by November 1 (text/email Gunther).  <b>Nov. 21:</b> Chili Cookoff!  <b>Nov. 21:</b> Youth Group Leadership Team meeting at 3:45 pm in the basement. All youth parents are welcome!</p> <p><b>Building Plans Update:</b>  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!</p>
<p><b>Prayer Requests:</b> 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), 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>		