



# 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, October 31, 2021

## Preparation

### **The Prelude**

### **The Welcome and Announcements**

## Adoration

### **\*The Call to Worship**          Psalm 121:1-2

I lift up my eyes to the hills—where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth. NIV

**\*The Hymn of Adoration**

“O Worship the King”

*Trinity Hymnal #2*

*(vv. 1,2,5,6 only)*

O worship the King all-glorious above,  
O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love;  
our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,  
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;  
your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!  
While angels delight to hymn you above,  
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

## **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**

*"Trust and Obey"*

*Trinity Hymnal #672*

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his Word, what a glory he sheds on our way!  
While we do his good will, he abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey.

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies, but his smile quickly drives it away;  
not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh nor a tear, can abide while we trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share, but our toil he doth richly repay;  
not a grief nor a loss, not a frown or a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey.

But we never can prove the delights of his love until all on the altar we lay;  
for the favor he shows, and the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust and obey.

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet, or we will walk by his side in the way;  
what he says we will do, where he sends we will go, never fear, only trust and obey.

## **\*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**

Luke 12:13-24

Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?" Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man produced a good crop. He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.' "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of good things laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.'" "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?' "This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich toward God." Then Jesus said to his disciples: "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. Life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds!" 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**                      Titus 3:3-5

At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another. But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. NIV

### Collection

### **Offertory Scripture & Giving of Our Lord's Tithes**                      1 Chronicles 29:12-13

Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all. Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name. 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**

**Faith in the Lord's Will**

Text: James 4:13-5:6 (pew Bible p.1884)

Response & Benediction

**\*The Hymn of Response**

“In Christ Alone”

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all— Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid— Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine— Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death— This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home— Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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

Nursery	<u>Infants</u>	<u>Toddlers</u>
Today	Peggy Long, Ilse Wallace, Rebecca Wallace	Shannon Griesman, Lindsey Hall
Nxt wk	Shirley Brackett, Jackie Krashner, Kat Thomas	Barbara Love, Shelly Van Flake
<p><i>Happy Birthday today to Lucas Johnson and Tom Love! Happy Birthday this week to Ethan Coble on 11/2, Jack Howland on 11/3, Keith Brackett on 11/4 and Lisa Allen on 11/5.</i></p> <p><b><u>This Week at Bethel:</u></b>  <b>Today:</b> Deacon Chairman Adam Coble will present the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Financial Update.  <b>Reformation Celebration</b>, 5:00-6:30 pm. Join us for food, fellowship and fun! Please bring your favorite supper pickups to share and invite your friends and neighbors. Feel free to dress up but no scary costumes please.</p> <p><b>Tuesday:</b> Ladies Bible Study, 9:30 am, Basement.  <b>Circle #1</b>, 10:30 am, Sanctuary.  <b>Diaconate Meeting:</b> 7:00 pm, Conf. room.</p> <p><b>Wednesday:</b> WIC Council Meeting, 6:30 pm, Covenant SS room.</p> <p><b>Thursday:</b> Mentors &amp; Moms, 9:30-11:15 am, Ed. Bldg.</p> <p><b>Saturday:</b> Daylight Savings Time ends Nov. 7! Be sure to set your clocks back one hour Saturday night.</p> <p><b><u>Next Week:</u></b>  <b>Operation Christmas Child</b> has distributed 188 million shoebox gifts around the world since 1993 through Samaritan's Purse. Please consider participating in Operation Christmas Child this year by filling a few shoeboxes. The Nix family is coordinating, and more information will be forthcoming-including brochures with labels. The final collection date will be November 7.</p> <p><b>Session Meeting:</b> Nov. 7, 2:00 pm, Conf. room with Deacons invited to attend.</p> <p><b>Men of the Covenant:</b> Nov. 8, 6:30 pm, FLC for a meal, devotional and program. All Bethel men are encouraged to attend.</p> <p><b><u>Upcoming:</u></b>  <b>The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for</b></p>		<p>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 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: <a href="mailto:koop08008@yahoo.com">koop08008@yahoo.com</a>. 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><u>Bethel Youth Group News:</u></b>  <b>Tonight:</b> 5:00-6:30 pm in the basement.  <b>Ongoing:</b> Our D-groups are up &amp; running! 7-9th grade girls are meeting on Wednesdays from 6-7:00 pm in the youth basement, 10-11th grade girls are meeting on Sundays from 4-5:00 pm in the youth basement and 10-12th grade boys are meeting on Thursdays from 7-9:00 pm at Gunther's house.  <b>Nov. 12-14:</b> We will be heading to Chester State Park and we'd love to have you! Our theme this weekend is Evangelism- How to Reach Our Friends with the Gospel. Please sign up by emailing, texting, or delivering any other form of written communication to Gunther! Invite your friends!  <b>Nov. 21:</b> Our annual chili cook-off is returning! Start thinking about your winning recipe now!  <b>Nov. 21:</b> Youth Group Parents, I am so thankful for your involvement in the youth ministry. To continue to cultivate this, we will begin having quarterly youth leader team meetings, starting November 21st at 3:45pm. All parents are welcome, please reach out with any questions.</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. LeMoyne, stroke), Herb LeMoyne (J. LeMoyne'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>		