

**THIS WEEK AT  
BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

October 15th - October 21st

<b>Today</b>	9:00	Communications Committee Meeting
	9:45	Sunday School
	11:00	Worship
	12:15	Stewardship & Finance Committee Meeting
	12:15	Worship Committee Meeting
<b>Monday</b>		World Food Day
	7:00	Boy Scouts
	7:30	Young Life Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30	Men of the Church Dinner & Program
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30	Cub Scouts
	7:00	Adult Choir
	7:00	The Bells of Bethel
	7:30	Young Life Meeting
<b>Thursday</b>	12:00	November Tower Deadline
	2:15	Prayer Fellowship Group

*Next Sunday, October 22nd:*

9:45 *Sunday School*  
11:00 *Worship/Four Cents A Meal Offering*  
12:15 *Witness Committee Meetings*

**Serving During The Worship Service Today**

<b><u>Greeters</u></b>	Wade & Phyllis Cash	
<b><u>Worship Service Assistant</u></b>	Bob Olson	
<b><u>Offering</u></b>	Tammy Barbour	Barb Gough
	D. W. Miller	Dale Thompson
<b><u>Nursery</u></b>	Chris & Therese Schooley	

Our Staff  
and  
Leaders

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Rhonda Johnson, Clerk of Session	Bob Moody, Music Director
JoAnn Pendley, Handbell Choir Director	Sara Ann Lamb, Organist
Ken Wilkinson, Receiving Treasurer	Lori Miller, Disbursing Treasurer

**THE SESSION**

<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>	<u>Class of 2019</u>
Kenneth Miller	William Brubeck	John Davis
David Schooley	Daniel Gano	Tabitha Moore
Kathy Swisher	Rhonda Johnson	Robert Olson
Jill Webb	Marion Simmers	Mac Williams

**THE DEACONS**

<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>	<u>Class of 2019</u>
Tammy Barbour	Wade Cash	Ellen Fitzgerald
Barbara Gough	Briana Lawhorne	D. W. Miller
Charlie Johnson	Brian Lee	Alex Sproul
Marty Simmers	Joe F. Williams	Dale Thompson

**THE TRUSTEES**

<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>	<u>Class of 2019</u>
Kenny Olson	Guy D. Brooks	Dan Gano
Dale C. Smith	Joe F. Williams	Lee Ann Heizer

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

Cindy Almarode, Moderator	Emily Williams, Co-Moderator
Stephanie Rivers, Secretary	Sarah Frances Ralston, Treasurer

Circle Leaders

Afternoon Circle - Barbara Gough & Jackie Law  
Evening Circle - Irene Elliott & Louise Hoy

**MEN OF THE CHURCH**

Mac Williams, President

*Bethel Presbyterian Church supports the PCUSA worldwide missionaries.*

*Please pray for our missionaries:*

Rev. Michael & Rachel Weller and the people of Ethiopia

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Mission Statement

*We strive to live peacefully with all and respect one another while loving and serving the Lord; our doors and mission are open to all.*

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 15th, 2017

19th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 am

• Please feel free to stand as you are able.

*Thank you for worshipping with us today. We consider your presence with us a blessing from God. You are encouraged to greet one another in friendship and love. When the Chiming of the Hour starts, you are invited to prepare yourself for the worship of God.*

### Chiming of the Hour - Westminster Chimes

**Welcome & Announcements** *(please pass the friendship pad)*

Bob Olson

### Moment of Silent Prayer/Meditation

### Prelude

#### Preparation for the Word

#### The Call to Worship

Leader: Hey there, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters,

**People: and you who have no money, come, buy and eat!**

Leader: Why spend your money on junk food and your hard-earned cash on that which does not satisfy?

**People: Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.**

Leader: Give ear to me and come to me. Listen, so that you can live. *(Isaiah 55:1-3a)*

•Hymn 487 *"When Morning Gilds the Skies"*

### Call to Confession

**Prayer of Confession** *(unison)*

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hid from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace and finding in you life in all its fullness.**

*Moment of Silent Confession*

**Kyrie 572 "Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us"**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

### Assurance of Pardon

*And all God's children Joyfully respond: Alleluia, Amen!*

•**Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks #106** *(refrain)*

**Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to His Name.**

### Children's Sermon

*"Jesus Loves the Little Children"*

*Jesus loves the lit-tle chil-dren, All the chil-dren of the world*

*Ev-'ry col-or, ev-'ry race, all are cov-ered by His grace;*

*Je-sus loves the lit-tle chil-dren of the world.*

•**The Peace**

Leader: . . . The peace of Christ be with you all!

**People: And also with you.**

•**Gloria Patri** (#579)

### Proclamation of the Word

#### Prayer for Illumination

**First Scripture Reading:** Philippians 4:4-7 *(page 183)*

*(Revised Standard Version)*

Bob Olson

*Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

**Anthem** *"I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table"* Adult Choir  
*Spiritual, arr. Carl Dilton (1886-1962)*

**Second Scripture Reading:** Matthew 22:1-14 *(pages 22-23)*

*(Revised Standard Version)*

*And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a marriage feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, Behold, I have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.' But they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage*

*feast as many as you find.' And those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. "But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment; and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."*

Leader: This is the word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon** *"R.S.V.P."*

Rev. J. Malcolm Brownlee

### Response to the Word

•**Apostles' Creed** *(Traditional - page 14)*

•**Hymn Insert** *"Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast"*

*Text: Charles Wesley, 1747*

*Music: Peter Ritter, 1774*

### Joys & Concerns

Bob Olson

### Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

**Amen #583 - Amen. Amen. Amen.**

### The Offering of Tithes & Gifts

#### Offertory

•**Doxology** (#592)

•**Prayer of Dedication**

•**Hymn 485**

*"To God Be the Glory"*

•**Charge and Benediction**

•**Congregational Response**

*"Go with Us, Lord"* #535

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way  
Through this and ev-ery com-ing day,  
That in Your Spir-it strong and true  
Our lives may be our gift to you.**

### Postlude