

THIS WEEK AT
BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 9th - September 15th

Today Celebration Sunday
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship
12:00 Church-Wide Picnic at
Eagles Roost Picnic Shelter

Monday 7:00 Boy Scouts
7:30 Young Life Meeting

Tuesday Patriot Day
1:30 Afternoon Circle
7:00 Evening Circle
7:00 Session Meeting

Wednesday 6:00 Christian Education
Committee Meeting
7:00 Adult Choir
7:00 The Bells of Bethel
7:00 Youth Committee
7:30 Young Life Meeting

Saturday 8:30 The Big Event at Massanetta
Springs

Next Sunday, September 16th:
"Share the Bounty" Sunday
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship

Serving During The Worship Service Today

Greeters Charlie & Rhonda Johnson

Offering Wade Cash Katie McElveen
Linda Tenney Dale Thompson

Nursery Mary Ann Anderson, Maggie Rivers

Our Staff
and
Leaders

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JoAnn Pendley, Handbell Choir Director

Ken Wilkinson, Receiving Treasurer Lori Miller, Disbursing Treasurer

THE SESSION

Class of 2019
William Brubeck
Daniel Gano
Rhonda Johnson
Marion Simmers

Class of 2020
John Davis
Tabitha Moore
Robert Olson
Mac Williams

Class of 2021
Derek Almarode
Dean Caldwell
Patricia Quick
Kathy Swisher

THE DEACONS

Class of 2019
Wade Cash
Briana Lawhorne
Brian Lee
Joe F. Williams

Class of 2020
Ellen Fitzgerald
D. W. Miller
Alex Sproul
Dale Thompson

Class of 2021
Katie McElveen
Joe Moore
Linda Tenney
Drury Whitaker

THE TRUSTEES

Class of 2019
Guy D. Brooks
Joe F. Williams

Class of 2020
Dan Gano
Lee Ann Heizer

Class of 2021
Charlie Johnson
Dale C. Smith

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

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

Circle Leaders

Afternoon Circle - Barbara Gough & Marty Simmers
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

www.pcusa.org/michael-and-rachel-weller

Bethel Presbyterian Church

James in a jiffy
A quick summary of JAMES 2:1-17

JAMES 2:1-4
DON'T PLAY FAVORITES
BECAUSE GOD DOESN'T.


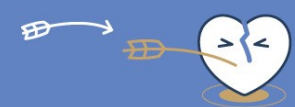

JAMES 2:5-7
STOP FAVORING
— the rich —

JAMES 2:8-11
FAVORING SOME OVER OTHERS BREAKS GOD'S LAW OF LOVE

JAMES 2:12-13
Want mercy?
SHOW MERCY

JAMES 2:14-17
LET YOUR DEEDS
PROVE
your faith.

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

September 9th, 2018

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Celebration Sunday

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.

GATHERING

Ring of the Bell

John Pilson

Chiming of the Hour - Westminster Chimes

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

(White prayer request sheets are in the pew racks. Please place your prayer request(s) in the basket located in the front of the Sanctuary during the Passing of the Peace.)

****Passing of the Peace**

Pastor: May the peace of Christ be with you!

People: *And also with you.*

****Gathering Song**

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Blest be the tie that binds

Our hearts in Chris-tian love:

The fel-low-ship of kin-dred minds

Is like to that a-bove.

Prelude

WE APPROACH GOD

The Call to Worship

Pastor: Listen—all creation rejoices, can you hear it?

People: *There is so much noise and chatter, are you sure there is music?*

Pastor: Listen—the wilderness and desert are breaking out in song, can you hear it?

People: *It's been so long since we've heard a melody of praise.*

Pastor: Listen—the very mountains join in the refrain, can you hear it?

People: *We join our voices in hope, worshipping our God who brings forth a new song in the world.*

****Hymn of Adoration 264**

"When in Our Music God Is Glorified"

Prayer of Adoration

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we come before you today knowing that we often fall short of your call to love one another well. We allow ourselves to be blinded by wealth and power. We ignore those around us who suffer injustice, poverty, and rejection. We tune out the cries of the poor and those on the edges of our communities. Forgive us...

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Pastor: Hear the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: *Hallelujah, thanks be to God!*

****Celebration of God's Grace**

"Give Thanks"

(see insert)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Call for the Young People

"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.

Conversation with the Young People

Presentation of the Bibles

(Young people may go downstairs for special activities following the conversation.)

Anthem

"Our God is Great"

Adult Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 35:3-7

New Testament Reading: James 2:1-17

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God!*

Sermon

"Body and Soul"

Rev. Kelly-Ann Rayle

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

****Hymn of Reflection 426**

"Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak"

****Unison Affirmation of Faith** *(by Bruce Prewer)*

I believe in an innovative God, who does not wait for us to find ourselves but comes seeking the lost and calling us into a new way.

I believe in Jesus of Nazareth as God's crucial initiative, that when he calls us to follow, Christ also gives us the power to become, both in creed and deed, the children of the living God.

I believe in the Spirit by whom Jesus still comes to us, calling us to follow him into an obedience which is true liberty and to a humble service which is the fruit of holy friendship.

I believe in the church as the fellowship of Christ's people, called to respect and support one another through joys and tribulations as we travel the road towards the "promised land" of God's future.

Because Christ has called me in this I truly believe. Amen.

****Gloria Patri 579**

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Congregational Response 583

"Amen"

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Reception of Tithes and Offerings

****Doxology 592**

****The Prayer of Dedication**

SENDING

****Hymn**

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

(see insert)

****Charge and Benediction**

****Congregational Response 341**

"Blessed Assurance"

This is our sto-ry, this is our song,

Prais-ing our Sav-ior all the day long;

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Prais-ing our Sav-ior all the day long.

Postlude