

**THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

February 17th, 2019

6th Sunday after Epiphany

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****Ringling of the Bell**

John Pilson

**Chiming of the Hour - Westminster Chimes****Welcome & Announcements** *(please pass the friendship pad)***Prelude****WE APPROACH GOD****\*\*Call to Worship**

Bruce Prewer, adapted by Pastor Kelly-Ann

*Voice: I tell you this:**Pastor: It is a wonderful thing when members of the family live together in love and peace.**People: They shall be like trees planted beside flowing rivers.**Voice: I welcome this:**Pastor: That the church be one, just as Christ and God are one, that Christ may be glorified in us.**People: They shall yield good fruit in its season, and their leaf shall never wither.**Voice: I give this:**Pastor: The grace, mercy and peace, of the Lord Jesus, be with you all.**People: And also with you.**Pastor: Let us worship God.***\*\*Hymn of Adoration 35***"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"***\*\*Prayer of Adoration****Call to Confession****Unison Prayer of Confession**

*Gentle guide, loving guardian, heal our foolish ways. We long to forsake the advice of the wicked and the slow seduction of sinful paths, but our speech and actions often belie us. We yearn to be like trees planted beside living waters, bearing the fruit of righteousness in due season, but the seat of scoffers calls to us and the temptation to return evil for evil withers our souls like shrubs in the desert. Our hearts seek the ways of your Spirit and the waters of life, but our footsteps lead us into arid, desert sands. This is not your hope and plan for us.  
Forgive us.*

**Silent Confession****Assurance of Forgiveness***Pastor: In Christ, you are forgiven!**People: Thanks be to God!***\*\*Celebration of God's Grace 441***"Hear the Good News of Salvation"***WE HEAR GOD'S WORD****Call to the Young People****Conversation with the Young People****Prayer of Illumination****Old Testament Reading: Psalm 1****New Testament Reading: Luke 6:17-26***Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.**People: Thanks be to God!***Message**

*"Emptiness"*  
Rev. Kelly-Ann Rayle

*Pastor: To God be the Glory.*

*People: Hearing God's word, we send our roots into streams of living waters. Those who heed the words of God bear the fruit of righteousness. Living God's word, our leaves are ever green.*

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD****Anthem**

*"Blest Are They"*  
Adult Choir

**Affirmation of Faith***Apostles' Creed (page 35)***Sharing Joys & Concerns****Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer***"Amen"**Amen. Amen. Amen.***Invitation to the Offering****Reception of Tithes & Offerings****\*\*Doxology 606****\*\*Prayer of Dedication****SENDING****\*\*Hymn of Sending 765***"May the God of Hope Go with Us"***\*\*Charge and Benediction****\*\*Congregational Response***"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"*

*All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;  
Join me in glad ad-o-ra-tion!*

**\*\* Postlude**

***Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church!***  
***Announcements - February 17th, 2019***

•Good Morning! Whether you are a member, a friend, or a visitor, please take a moment to fill out the friendship pad at the end of your pew, and give the friendship pad to others to sign. Also, large print bulletins and hearing assists are available in the vestibule for those who may need them.

•The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God by Dan & Ginny Gano.

**Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church!**  
**Announcements - February 17th, 2019 (continued)**

•The Bible Study & Prayer Group has been reorganized! They are currently studying the Gospel of Luke and this study is being led by Pastor Kelly-Ann. They will meet this Tuesday, February 19th, at 2:00 pm, and are starting chapter 6. Please review chapters 1-5 before Tuesday's meeting. All are welcome to join them as they study what Dr. Luke has to say and then pray for those in the congregation, community, and world.

•The Session Meeting has been rescheduled for this Tuesday, February 19th, at 7:00 pm.

•The March Tower Deadline will be this Thursday, February 21st. Please have all articles and announcements to the Church Office by noon. Articles and announcements for the March Tower can be left in Adrienne's mailbox in Memorial Hall or you can email them to: bethelpc@gmail.com. Please remember if you turn in items after the deadline Adrienne cannot guarantee they will be included in the Tower.

•Add the date to your calendar! The next Table Talk Theology is scheduled for this Thursday, February 21st at 7:00 pm. The location and topic will be emailed next week. Everyone is invited!

•If you have volunteered to make desserts for the Presbytery meeting on February 23rd, please have them to the church kitchen by Friday evening, February 22nd. Thank you!



**Youth Fundraiser** The Youth will cook and serve chili, salad, and cornbread for the Shenandoah Presbytery meeting on Saturday, February 23rd. Please meet in the church kitchen at 8:00 am. All youth are expected to participate in this fundraising project if they are able. The money raised will go to the Youth Fund for activities later on in the year.

•Augusta Health Hospice of the Shenandoah - Spring 2019 Volunteer Training Augusta Health Hospice of the Shenandoah is recruiting new volunteers to assist them with serving the community. The mission of the hospice is to provide holistic care to patients and families with terminal medical conditions. Whether visiting patients, volunteering at Shenandoah House, helping in the office or sharing a special talent, dedicated volunteers are key members of the hospice team. Volunteers are required to take a training class to better equip them to serve patients and families. Working for hospice is very rewarding and many consider it an honor.

Volunteer classes will be held on Monday & Thursday evenings from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm starting Monday, March 4th, and finishing on Thursday, March 21st. The registration deadline for classes is Monday, February 25th. Please contact Carrie Gibbons, Volunteer Coordinator Augusta Health Hospice of the Shenandoah at (540) 932-4977 or (540) 332-4977 to register and/or for more information. A brochure with additional information is on the bulletin board in Memorial Hall.

•There will be a chili cook-off at the American Legion on Cedar Green Road on Saturday, March 2nd, at 4:30 pm. All proceeds will go the Riverheads WRE Building Fund. Support the WRE by attending this community event!

•\*Attention all Elders currently serving on the Session! An all-Session workshop has been scheduled where you will begin goal setting for the new sessional year, March 1st, 2019 - February 29th, 2020. This workshop will be on Sunday, March 3rd, from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. It will be at this workshop the new officers will be examined by the Session for ordination and/or installation.

★ *Deacons please note that you are welcome to attend the Session workshop, but are only required to attend from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm for your examination.*

1:00 to 2:00 pm: Examination of New Deacons

2:00 to 3:00 pm: Examination of New Elders

3:00 to 5:00 pm: All-Session Workshop

\*Pending Session approval

•**Lenten Study** – This is a church-wide invitation to participate in a “self-guided” Lenten Study along with Pastor Kelly-Ann. Take a journey with Jesus to the cross and beyond to his resurrection as you read Walter Brueggemann's **Devotions for Lent: “A Way Other Than Our Own”**. Brueggemann's daily devotions have been reviewed as being, “thought provoking reflections for the season of Lent which invite us to consider the challenging, beautiful life that comes with walking the way of grace.” Walter Brueggemann is a world reknown theologian, biblical interpreter and author who is well respected in the Presbyterian Church. As a group we will conclude our self-guided study with an informal lunch and discussion of our spiritual walk.

Please reserve your book ASAP by using the form available at the end of your pew or in the vestibule. The cost of the book is \$10.19. Checks should be made payable to Bethel with designation for Lenten Study and placed in the offering plate with your order form. Lent begins on Wednesday, March 6th so please order your book soon! God Bless our journey together!

•Bethel will be participating in community Lenten services this year with several other local churches. All Lenten services begin at 7:00 pm and are on Thursday nights (excluding Ash Wednesday and Good Friday). Make sure to plan to attend these meaningful services during this holy season. A complete calendar of Lenten service locations and speakers is included in your bulletin.

•The Community Ash Wednesday Service will be held on Wednesday, March 6th, at 7:00 pm, at Greenville United Methodist Church (126 Main Street, Greenville, VA). Rev. Ryan Oswald (Pastor, Mint Spring UMC) will be preaching and light refreshments will be served following the service. Everyone is invited to participate in this important service marking the beginning of the Lenten season.

\*Please note that imposition of ashes will be available on Ash Wednesday morning at Church of the Forerunner (Staunton Mall - Suite 113), anytime between 8:00 am to 10:00 am.

•Class of 2022 Elders & Deacons will be ordained and/or installed during the worship service on Sunday, March 10th so make plans now to attend this special service!

•If you would like to join Bethel Presbyterian Church, please feel free to contact Pastor Kelly-Ann. She would love to hear from you!

February 10th Attendance: 90

Weekly Budget: \$3,979.00 Received: \$3,896.00

# Bethel Presbyterian Church



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**THIS WEEK AT BETHEL**

February 17th - February 23rd

**Today** 9:45 Sunday School  
 9:45 Confirmation Class  
 11:00 Worship  
 12:15 Mission Comm.

**Monday** Presidents' Day  
 7:00 Boy Scouts

**Tuesday** 2:00 Bible Study & Prayer  
 7:00 Session Meeting

**Wednesday** 1:15 Staff Meeting  
 6:00 Congregational Care Comm.  
 6:00 Outreach & Evangelism Comm.  
 7:00 Adult Choir  
 7:00 The Bells of Bethel  
 7:00 Stewardship & Finance Comm.  
 7:30 Young Life

**Thursday** 12:00 March Tower Deadline  
 7:00 Table Talk Theology (*Location: TBA*)

**Saturday** 8:00 Bethel Youth Fundraiser - Making & Serving Lunch for Presbytery Meeting  
 Attendees  
 9:30 Shenandoah Presbytery Meeting

*Next Sunday, February 24th:*

9:45 Sunday School  
 9:45 Confirmation Class  
 11:00 Worship/5 Cents A Meal Offering

Serving at Bethel Today, February 17th

*Greeters* Dale & Libby Smith  
*Offering* Wade Cash Ellen Fitzgerald  
 Alex Sproul Joe Williams

**CHURCH STAFF**

Rev. Kelly-Ann Rayle, Stated Supply Pastor  
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Ken Wilkinson, Receiving Treasurer Lori Miller, Disbursing Treasurer

Donna Bush and Carol Sproule, Custodians

*Lift Up in Prayer*

Bethel Prayer List - February 17th, 2019

**New Additions**

Lucas Kinsling (*grandson of Bob & Jackie Law*)

**Congregation Members**

Betty Cash Jarod Davis & Family  
 Karen Koogler Sara Ann Lamb  
 Evelyn LaPorte Jeannie Lee  
 Margaret Liptrap John Pilson  
 Alice Wooddell  
 Bethel Confirmation Class, Teachers, & Mentors  
 Bethel Nominating Committee & Church Officers

**Family & Friends of the Church & Congregation**

Linda Dallas Donnie Davis  
 Martha Dubyk Bernice English  
 Dylan Kallar Ann Kellogg  
 Matt Koogler Tracy Koogler  
 David Law Olivia Lewis & Family  
 Maggie Martino Lane McNorton  
 Megan Pettyjohn Maya Ramsey  
 Devin Scott Buddy Thomas  
 Misty Woods

**Sympathy & Condolences**

Family & Friends of Mildred Barmore  
 Family & Friends of Polly McConnell

**Community, Country, & World**

All Military Leaders & Personnel  
 Police, Firemen, and EMS workers and volunteers  
 Michael & Rachel Weller, Missionaries in Ethiopia

Prayer List Policy Update (*adopted by Bethel Diaconate 2/3/2019*)

*After two months people will be removed from the Prayer List (excluding congregation members, military, first responders, and missionaries). This will allow us to be able to add new prayer requests along with keeping the list as current as possible. If you would like family members or friends to remain on the Prayer List for a longer period of time or be added back to the list, please call Adrienne in the Church Office at (540) 886-6041 and let her know. You may also call Tammy Barbour at (540) 471-0450 or Barb Gough at (540) 255-6521 with any other additions or updates. Thanks for your understanding with this new policy!*

Community Lenten Schedule - 2019

*\*All Services on Thursdays at 7:00 pm*

*(\*unless otherwise noted)*

\*Ash Wednesday - Wednesday, March 6th

Imposition of Ashes (anytime from 8:00 am - 10:00 am)  
 Church of the Forerunner (Staunton Mall - Suite 113)

Traditional Service - with refreshments to follow  
 7:00 pm

Greenville United Methodist Church  
 (126 Main Street, Greenville)

Speaker: Rev. Ryan Oswald - Pastor, Mint Spring UMC

March 14th - Lent 1 Devotions

Redeemer Lutheran Church  
 (951 McKinley Road, Middlebrook)

Speaker: Rev. Joe Condro - Pastor, Pines Chapel PC

March 21st - Lent 2 Devotions

Mount Tabor Lutheran Church  
 (334 Mount Tabor Road, Middlebrook)

Speaker: Rev. Dennis Russell - Pastor, Church of the Forerunner

March 28th - Lent 3 Devotions

Church of the Forerunner  
 (Staunton Mall, Suite 113, Lee Jackson Highway, Staunton)

Speaker: Rev. Lance Braun -  
 Pastor, Redeemer Lutheran & Mt. Tabor Lutheran

April 4th - Lent 4 Devotions

Mint Spring United Methodist Church  
 (58 Mint Spring Circle, Staunton)

Speaker: Rev. Jim Bollinger - Pastor, Greenville UMC

April 11th - Lent 5 Devotions

Pines Chapel Presbyterian Church  
 (3204 Cold Springs Road, Greenville)

Speaker: Rev. Kelly-Ann Rayle - Pastor, Bethel PC

OR

Concert of Pipe Organ & Banjo  
 Christ Lutheran Church

(2807 North Augusta Street, Staunton)

April 18th - Maundy Thursday

Traditional Service & Holy Communion  
 Bethel Presbyterian Church

(563 Bethel Green Road, Staunton)

Speaker: Rev. Merle Fisher - Pastor, Pines Chapel PC

\*Good Friday - Friday, April 19th

Service of Music, Meditation & Prayers  
 7:00 pm

Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church  
 (334 Mt. Tabor Road, Staunton)