

**THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY**

March 3rd, 2019

Transfiguration of the Lord

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**

**Ringing 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** *Psalm 99, Exodus 34:29-35*

Pastor: The earth has its kings, but God is ruler of all.

**People:** *Praise God above all, the giver of life!*

Pastor: The mountains may tremble, the oceans may roar,

**People:** *but God's presence is more powerful than the earth itself.*

Pastor: Come into God's presence, for God is among us now.

**People:** *O God, show us your glory; we seek your ways.*

Pastor: Let us worship God

**\*\*Hymn of Adoration 614** *“Great Are You, Lord”*

**\*\*Prayer of Adoration**

**Call to Confession**

**\*\*Hymn of Preparation 422** *“Create in Me a Clean Heart”*

**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 647** *“Give Thanks”*

**WE HEAR GOD’S WORD**

**Call to the Young People**

**Conversation with the Young People**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Old Testament Reading: Genesis 45:3-11, 15**

**New Testament Reading: Luke 9:28-43a**

Pastor: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

**People:** *Thanks be to God!*

**Message** *“Listen”*  
Rev. Kelly-Ann Rayle

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

**\*\*Hymn of Reflection 193** *“Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain”*

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Reception of Tithes & Offerings**

**\*\*Doxology 606**

**\*\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Invitation to the Lord’s Table, Prayers of the People, The Lord’s Prayer** *“Amen”*

*Amen. Amen. Amen.*

**Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup**

**Communion Anthem** *“Accept Our Thanks”*  
Adult Choir

**Prayer After Communion**

**SENDING**

**\*\*Hymn of Sending 276** *“Sing a New Song unto the Lord”*

**\*\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*\*Congregational Response** *“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.*

**\*\* Postlude**

**Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church!**  
**Announcements - March 3rd, 2019**

*Greeters: Jane Law & Boyd Wood  
Offering: Brian Lee, Katie McElveen, D.W. Miller, Joe Moore*

•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 Libby Smith.

**Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church!**  
**Announcements - March 3rd, 2019 (continued)**

•Communion will be received during the worship service this morning.

•Attention: The examination of the new Deacons and Elders for ordination and/or installation and the all-Session workshop, to begin goal setting, review roles and responsibilities, confirm committee leadership, etc. for the new sessional year, March 10th, 2019-February 29th, 2020 will be held today from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

1:00 to 2:00 pm: Examination of New Deacon Officers by current Session

2:00 to 3:00 pm: Examination of New Session Officers by current Session

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

★ ALL Deacons are welcome to attend the Session Workshop.

•The Bible Study & Prayer Group is currently studying the Gospel of Luke and the study is being led by Pastor Kelly-Ann. They will meet this Tuesday, March 5th, at 2:00 pm. Please read Luke 6:37-46 and Luke 7 before Tuesday afternoon. 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.

•Table Talk Theology will be this Tuesday, March 5th at 7:00 pm at Giovanni's in Greenville. Since we are meeting at a restaurant make plans to have dinner, a drink, a dessert, or even all 3 at Giovanni's. We will be continuing our discussion of the article that was emailed out for the February 21st meeting. If you are planning to attend kindly RSVP to the Church Office or Pastor Kelly-Ann by Tuesday morning. Everyone is invited!

•**Lenten Study** – There is still time to join 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”**. As a group we will conclude our self-guided study with an informal lunch and discussion of our spiritual walk. Please indicate if you are participating in the study ASAP by using the form available at the end of your pew and placing the completed form on Adrienne's desk in the Church Office. Books are available in the Church Office and the cost of the book is \$10.19. Checks should be made payable to Bethel with designation for Lenten Study. Lent begins this week so pick up your book today! God Bless our journey together!

•The Bells of Bethel will not have practice this week due to Ash Wednesday. They will resume practice on Wednesday, March 13th, at 7:00 pm.

•The Community Ash Wednesday Service will be held this 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. A complete calendar of Lenten service locations and speakers is included in your bulletin.

\*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.

•Soup & Scripture will be this Thursday, March 7th, from noon to 1:15 pm. The group will be discussing Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 and Luke 4:1-13 while eating delicious soup prepared by Pastor Kelly-Ann. Everyone is invited!

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



**Youth Activity** The Bethel Youth will meet at the church next Sunday, March 10th at 1:00 pm and then travel to the Valley Jump Trampoline Park in Penn Laird, VA. They will stop at McDonalds for lunch on the way. All ages are welcome - if they can walk, they can jump! 😊

(Please remember that all children must have a park waiver signed by their parent.)

•Bethel will be exploring a new program this month called “Supper and a Speaker” and is sponsored by the Men of the Church group with a supper being provided by the Presbyterian Women. The program will be on Tuesday, March 19th, with supper being served at 6:30 pm. The topic “Endings and Beginnings: Life Changes in our Later Years” will be presented by Rev. Dr. John Bradford (Brad) Langdon. A full biographical sketch on Rev. Langdon is included in the March Tower newsletter. If you plan to join us for supper kindly RSVP to the Church Office (540/886-6041 or bethelpc@gmail.com) by Monday, March 11th, at 3:00 pm. If you cannot make it to supper, the program will begin at 7:15 pm. We hope to see you there!

\*\*Please note while this event is sponsored by the Men of the Church group it's open to everyone at the church and community.\*\*

•Riverheads Weekday Religious Education (WRE) will be having a cakewalk on Saturday, March 16th, at the Mint Spring Ruritan Building. The event will begin at 6:00 pm and they need our help! Bethel has been asked to donate 10 cakes for the event. If you would be willing to donate a cake for the cakewalk please contact Mo Kyle at (540) 292-8578 or mokyle56@gmail.com.

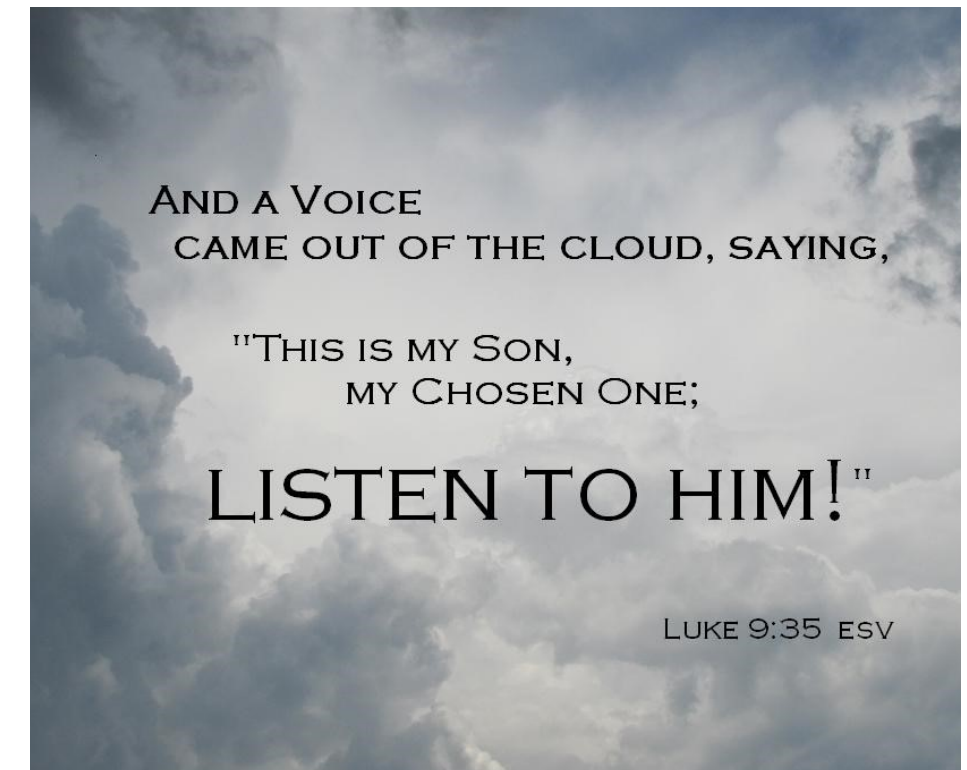
•The Summerlee Mission trip, organized by Westminster Presbyterian Church in Waynesboro, is taking place July 7th - July 12th, in West Virginia. Each person participating in the mission trip is responsible for finding their own lodging. The following places have space available and if you let them know you are participating with the Summerlee Mission Trip they will give you the group rate discount. If you have any questions please contact Kathy Swisher at (540) 885-7397.

- ◇ Gateway Campground - cabins that sleep 6 are available - CALL IMMEDIATELY to reserve one. The cost is \$300 plus tax for the week. (304) 574-1802
- ◇ Quality Inn - New River Gorge. The cost is \$62 plus tax. (304) 574-3443
- ◇ Tent camping is also available at Gateway Campground

•I would like to thank everyone for all of the help in making the Presbytery meeting at Bethel a success! Thanks to all that made desserts, all of those who helped in worship and everyone who worked hard in the kitchen. There were 154 registered attending and about 37 from Bethel, working on Saturday, who helped make the day a success. Thank you, Kathy Swisher

February 24th Attendance: 85  
 Weekly Budget: \$3,979.00 Received: \$2,182.00

# Bethel Presbyterian Church



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**THIS WEEK AT BETHEL**

March 3rd - March 9th

**Today** Transfiguration of the Lord  
 9:45 Sunday School  
 9:45 Confirmation Class  
 11:00 Worship/Communion  
 12:15 Diaconate  
 12:15 PWCT  
 1:00 Examination of New Officers & All-Session Workshop  
 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

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

**Tuesday** 2:00 Bible Study & Prayer  
 7:00 Table Talk Theology at Giovanni's

**Wednesday** Ash Wednesday  
 1:15 Staff Meeting  
 6:00 Worship Comm.  
 7:00 Adult Choir  
 7:00 Community Ash Wednesday Service at Greenville UMC  
 7:30 Young Life

**Thursday** 12:00 Soup & Scripture

*Next Sunday, March 10th: 1st Sunday in Lent*  
 9:45 Sunday School  
 9:45 Confirmation Class  
 11:00 Worship/  
*Ordination & Installation of Officers*  
 1:00 Youth Activity - Trip to Valley Jump Trampoline Park



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JoAnn Pendley, Handbell Choir Director Sara Ann Lamb, Organist

Ken Wilkinson, Receiving Treasurer Lori Miller, Disbursing Treasurer

Donna Bush and Carol Sprouse, Custodians

*Lift Up in Prayer*

*Bethel Prayer List - March 3rd, 2019*

**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	Dylan Kallar
Ann Kellogg	Lucas Kinsling
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 Bettie Beard  
 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)