



The Bethel Weekly News

Week of March 21st, 2021

Weekly Calendar of Events

Sunday, March 21st

5th Sunday in Lent

11:00 am Worship

The Easter Lily Orders & BERF Easter Donations deadline was extended from March 17th to (today) Sunday, March 21st. All orders and donations must be submitted today!



Monday, March 22nd

Church Office Closed

7:00 pm Boy Scouts



Tuesday, March 23rd

Church Office Closed

Adrienne working from home

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

9:00 am Deadline: Order of Worship & April 2021 Tower & Weekly News (*March 28th*)

Wednesday, March 24th

Church Office Closed

Adrienne working from home

9:00 am - 3:00 pm



Thursday, March 25th

Church Office Closed

Adrienne working from home

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Friday, March 26th

Church Office Closed

Adrienne working from home

9:00 am - 3:00 pm



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Worship Service Information

WORSHIP LEADER MARCH 21ST:

Derek Almarode

GUEST SPEAKER, MARCH 21ST

Bethel welcomes Mark Wilson who will be the Guest Speaker on Sunday, March 21st.

Mark is from Augusta Stone Presbyterian Church in Ft. Defiance where he is an Elder and Trustee. He has done pulpit supply for a number of local Presbyterian churches, most recently for Hebron Presbyterian Church.

Mark has preached at Bethel many times before and always does a fabulous job! Please let him know how much we appreciate his joining us for worship again on March 21st!

The flowers in the sanctuary on March 21st are given by Dr. Lynn & Eloise Moore to the Glory of God and in memory of Jim & Charlotte Williams and Mary Williams Dransfield.

Do you have risk factors that make you more vulnerable in contracting the coronavirus and you can only be around those wearing a mask? Or are you more comfortable worshipping indoors with others if they wear a mask too?

The Worship Committee has set things up so the worship service (& audio) is streaming on the TV in Memorial Hall. Audio of the service is also available in the Church Kitchen.

The Session wants to keep everyone healthy and comfortable!

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Church Office News & Notes (continued)

COPIES OF THE ORDER OF WORSHIP & WEEKLY NEWS

Please note that there will not be any printed copies of the Order of Worship or Weekly News available on Sunday, March 21st and March 28th.

Both of these publications will only be available by email. Please print off your own copy of the Order of Worship for any unison readings during the worship service.

Copies of the April 2021 Tower & Weekly News on March 28th will be available in the vestibule & Memorial Hall in the weeks following if you need one.



EASTER LILY ORDERS & EASTER BERF DONATIONS

The deadline for Easter lily orders and Easter BERF donations has been extended to (today) Sunday, March 21st. You can place your order and/or donation in the offering plate. For more information and an order form see page 6 of the Weekly News. (Please print off your own form as there will not be any available at the church.)



MARCH 28TH - ORDER OF WORSHIP & WEEKLY NEWS AND APRIL 2021 TOWER DEADLINE

The deadline for the March 28th Order of Worship and Weekly News along with the April 2021 Tower is Tuesday, March 23rd, at 9:00 am.

The “These Days” are available for the next quarter (April, May, June). Pick up your copy in the vestibule, Memorial Hall, or on the table in the hallway next to the Choir Room.



There are copies of the 2020 Annual Reports available in Memorial Hall. If all copies have been taken there will be additional copies available in a few weeks. Adrienne will be happy to email you a copy so please let her know if that is your preference. Thanks!

Congregational Care

HELP CONGREGATIONAL CARE KEEP THE PRAYER LIST UPDATED!

Please call or text Tammy Barbour at (540) 471-0450 any updates or changes to the Prayer List. You can also contact the Church Office at (540) 886-6041 with any updates or changes. Please don't forget to let us know when people have improved enough to be removed.



If you add a name to the list and have not given us an update after six weeks we will do our best to contact you to see if the person is improving or continues to need prayer. If we cannot contact you, the person may be removed from the list. We all want the Prayer List to be up-to-date. We do care, so please let us know how your friend, neighbor or family member is doing!

- The Congregational Care Committee

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Congregational Care (continued)

PRAYER LIST (updated 3/19/21)

New Addition Family & Friends of
Walter Wade
(brother of Billy Wade)



Bethel (our church) -
Leaders & Congregation

Congregation Members

Jarod Davis & Family	Dan Gano
Bobby Goodson	Sam Leonard
Ken & Evelyn LaPorte	Margaret Liptrap
John Pilson	Doris True
Alice Wooddell	

Family & Friends of the Congregation

Sarah Brownlee	Eleanor Feldon
Matthew Fitzgerald	Joe Fleming
David Law	Roy Pilson
Jamie Pirkey	Van Pirkey
Carly Pond	Beth Shaw
Bill & Jake Sproul	Jack True



Sympathies & Condolences

Family & Friends of Paul "Butch" Davis

Community, Country, & World

Shenandoah Presbytery Listening Committee
Doctors, nurses, & healthcare professionals
including volunteers
All military leaders & personnel
Law enforcement, firefighters, & EMS workers
& volunteers

Please contact the Church Office with any
additions, updates, and/or changes. Thank you!

Stewardship & Finance

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING

The PCUSA One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be collected during the worship service on Sunday, March 28th, Palm Sunday. Please write OGHS on the memo line of your check if you wish to donate.

Since 1949, Presbyterians have been giving from the heart in the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering to help those in great need. Our gifts support ministries of disaster response, refugee assistance and resettlement, and community development that help people find safe refuge, start new lives and work together to strengthen their families and communities.

This PCUSA offering was approved by the Bethel Session



Five Cents A Meal Offering will be received on Sunday, March 28th.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Estimated Weekly Budget:	\$4,317.00
Weekly Offering March 14th:	\$2,025.00

Even though worship has resumed, you are still encouraged to pray for your friends, family, church, and country. Check on each other whether by phone, text messages, cards or email. It takes just a moment and is a great way to show others you care about them!

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Stewardship & Finance (continued)

The leadership (& staff!) of Bethel are so grateful for your continued generosity and giving!

Offering plates are on stands next to the doors at the back of the sanctuary. Please feel free to drop your tithe or offering in the plate as you exit the church following worship.

If you are unable to attend worship but want and can contribute to Bethel's budget please mail your tithe or offering to:

*Bethel Presbyterian Church
Attn: Kay Thompson
563 Bethel Green Road
Staunton, VA 24401*

WE CAN'T SAY IT ENOUGH:
THANK YOU FOR YOUR
GENEROSITY &
CONTINUED FINANCIAL SUPPORT!



Worship

ATTENDANCE MARCH 14TH: 22



PALM SUNDAY Palm branches will be available in the vestibule on Palm Sunday (March 28th). If you are comfortable feel free to take one (or a few!) as you are entering or exiting the Sanctuary.

Palm Sunday is a celebration for honoring Jesus Christ's victorious entry into Jerusalem where the people took palm branches as they went to meet him. While this was a joyful, special occasion for his followers, this event took place towards the end of his days on earth before being crucified.



Communion will be received during the worship service on Sunday, March 28th, 2021.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION ON MARCH 28TH, 2021

Communion during the COVID-19 pandemic will be normal except for how you receive the elements. Bethel will be making our own disposable (fresh) elements using plastic cups. Please pick up one of each, juice and bread, as you enter the sanctuary and follow Rev. Brownlee's instructions as we normally do. Elders will not be handing out the elements.

Rev. Brownlee will conduct the usual Prayer of Thanksgiving and when it is time to partake of the elements, he will say, "The bread of Life take and eat". We will then take the bread together. (Note that there will be gluten free kits available but there are only a few kits total. Please only take one if you have gluten sensitivities or an allergy.) After a moment or two, Rev. Brownlee will say "the cup of salvation", and we will then drink the juice together.

Trash bins will be available at the door for the used cups. Elders will be present on each side and in back to help if needed, while keeping social distancing guidelines.

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EASTER LILY ORDERS AND/OR BERF DONATIONS FORM

You may order lilies at a cost of \$12.00 each (tax included) and/or you may make a monetary donation to BERF (Bethel Emergency Relief Fund). The Easter Lilies purchased and the donations made to BERF will be acknowledged in the Weekly News on Easter Sunday (April 4th) in addition to the April 2021 Tower newsletter. Please fill out the form below, attach the check or cash and place in the offering plate. If you are purchasing a lily, please make checks payable to Bethel Presbyterian Church. If you are making a donation to BERF, please make the check payable to Bethel Emergency Relief Fund. ***The deadline for orders and/or donations has been extended to (today) Sunday, March 21st.*** (You will need to print this form out yourself as there will not be any available at the church.)

*Note: Please fill out the form completely. It can be difficult to compile information for Easter Sunday if forms are unfinished. Also, if you would like to order a lily and make a donation please use two forms (one for the lily and one for the donation). Thank you!

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Lily Order and/or BERF Donation

Number of Lilies _____

Check or Cash Total _____

or

Donation to BERF _____

Check or Cash Total _____

In Honor Of: _____

Given By: _____

In Memory Of: _____

Given By: _____

Remember to pick up your lily following the worship service on Easter Sunday, April 4th.

There are always lilies that have been purchased and are left behind in the Sanctuary after Easter. Think about blessing one of our shut-ins or a friend with your beautiful lily instead.