



I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY · FEBRUARY 5, 2023 · 11:00 AM

† Please stand-in body or spirit Elder Brian Lee, Worship Leader Elder Derek Almarode, Temp Supply Pastor

GATHERING -----

Prelude..... "Prelude on 'Slane'"by Fred B. Binckes
.....JoAnn Pendley, Organist

Westminster Chimes

Welcome & AnnouncementsBrian Lee

WE APPROACH GOD -----

Invocation & Lord's PrayerBrian Lee

Call to Worship (adapted Psalm 139).....Brian Lee

Leader: The Lord searches us and knows us.
People: **God discerns our thoughts and is acquainted with all our ways.**
Leader: Even the darkness is not dark to God;
People: **the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to the Lord.**
Leader: God formed our inward parts, knitting each of us together in our mother's wombs.
People: **Our frames were not hidden from him when we were being made in secret.**
Leader: as we were intricately woven in the depths of the earth.
ALL: **Praise the Lord, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made.**

† **Opening Hymn #1**..... "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"JoAnn Pendley, Organist

† **Call To Confession**Brian Lee

† **Prayer of Confession** (unison)Brian Lee

Gracious God,
You have called us out of darkness and into the light of Your love. You have redeemed us and made us whole in order to set us free from bondage.
The challenge You place before us is to die to self, surrender our wills, and serve sacrificially. But we cling to our sinful humanity and to the trappings of this temporal life.
Forgive us for being stubborn, selfish, and sinful.
Set us free to embrace the values of Your Kingdom,
transform our hearts to long for You,
and empower us to live courageously as Your children.



† *Moment of Silent Confession*

† *Assurance of Forgiveness* Brian Lee

And all God's people joyfully say, **Amen!**

Anthem "Spirit, Open My Heart" Bethel Choir

HEARING GOD'S WORD -----

Children's Sermon "Walk in It" Isaiah 30:21 Derek Almarode

Prayer of Illumination Derek Almarode

Scripture Reading ... Matthew 5:13-20 Derek Almarode

Sermon "God's Way" Derek Almarode

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD -----

† *Hymn of Reflection #418* "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" JoAnn Pendley, Organist

† *Statement of Faith - The Apostles' Creed* (unison) Brian Lee

Joys & Concerns Brian Lee

Prayers of the People Derek Almarode

Amen #601 All

RECEPTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS -----

Offertory "Near the Cross" by Gregg Sewell

† *Doxology 606* All

† *Prayer of Dedication* Derek Almarode

SENDING -----

† *Closing Hymn #837* "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine" JoAnn Pendley, Organist

† *Charge & Benediction* Derek Almarode

Postlude "Marche Heroique" by William Stickles

..... JoAnn Pendley, Organist

PARTS OF THIS SERVICE ARE CREDITED TO thepastorsworkshop.com.

Valentine's Worship Service & Boy Scout Sunday - Join Us!

Next Sunday, February 12th, 2023

Youth will be conducting the service & leading us in worship.

Lunch will be provided following the service.

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY 10TH - Movie & Lasagna at Pines; 6:00 pm

FEBRUARY 21ST - Fat Tuesday;
Pancakes & Sausage at Pines; 5:30 pm

FEBRUARY 22ND - Ash Wednesday;
Worship Service at Bethel; 7:00 pm

MARCH 11TH - Beans & Cornbread at Pines: 5:00 pm

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN NEWS

PWCT WILL MEET TODAY FOLLOWING WORSHIP!

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Bethel Presbyterian Circle Meeting, Thursday, February 16th, 2023.

Join them for Bible study, refreshments & fellowship!

ALL Bethel women are invited!

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### SAVE THE DATE! ~ MAY 9TH, 2023

The Bethel Circle is planning a meal for the Men of the Church.

May 9th, 2023      6:30 PM      Fellowship Hall

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### Comfort Care Women's Health Baby Bottle Campaign

Once again Bethel is participating in this annual event. How does it work? Take a bottle in Memorial Hall, fill it with change, and bring it back to church by February 19th! It's that easy!



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### Bring a Friend to Church Campaign

Share the love that is Christ Jesus with a friend, a neighbor, a family member or an acquaintance that you feel led to invite to church. If they don't like inside church maybe they'll love worship at the chapel. You don't know if you don't ask.

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*\*Handbell Choir meets Thursday afternoons at 3:00 pm.  
All are welcome to join them!\**

*\*The Bethel Presbyterian Women meet the 3rd Thursday of the month at 12:30 pm for Circle & Bible Study. \**

JANUARY  
29TH



ATTENDANCE

51

*The flowers today  
are given by Sarah  
Frances Ralston in  
honor of all those  
who keep Bethel up  
& running.*

### ELDER ON CALL

Derek Almarode  
540-280-4940

### WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

*Estimated Weekly Budget  
\$3,127.00*

*Offering for January 29th  
\$2,130.00*







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## *Lift in Prayer*

### Bethel Leadership

Our Bethel Church Family

Donna Bush & Carol Sprouse

Joyce Davis

Matt & Mark Harris

Jane Law

John Pilson

Ashley Kellogg & Matt Cloonan

Ann Coffey

Ann Kellogg

Yvonne Goodson

McElveen & Johnson Families

David Strickler Family

### *Sympathies & Condolences*

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF  
THE FOLLOWING:

Ava Ann Cloonan

Tracy Koogler

Margaret Liptrap

Virginia Ann Strickler

## ELDERS

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Dave Schooley, *Clerk of Session, S&F Co-Chair*

Cindy Almarode, *Christian Education, Chair  
& Women of the Church, Moderator*

Derek Almarode, *Transition Chair, Temp. Supply Pastor*

Tammy Barbour, *Worship Chair*

Wade Cash, *Buildings & Grounds Chair,  
Chairmen of the Deacons*

Penny Lee, *Christian Outreach Chair*

Brian Lee, *Youth Chair*

Bob Olson, *Nominating Chair; Witness Chair*

Dale Thompson, *Personnel Committee*

Tim Turner, *Communications Chair*

Jill Webb, *Personnel Chair*

## DEACONS

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Ellen Fitzgerald · Charlie Johnson

Mitch Lathrop · Harleigh Lee

Katie McElveen · D.W. Miller

## TRUSTEES

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Guy D. Brooks · Bill Brubeck

Charlie Johnson · Billy Wade · James Williams

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on  
your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him,  
and He shall direct your paths. PROVERBS 3:5-6*

## CHURCH STAFF

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Adrienne Barker, *Secretary*

JoAnn Pendley, JoAnn Pendley, *Pianist, Organist  
Bell Choir and Choir*

Lois Stogdale, *Disbursing Treasurer*

Kay Thompson, *Receiving Treasurer*

John & Donna Bush, *Custodians*

Carol & Puggie Sprouse, *Custodians*