

LIVE AS FREE PEOPLE,
 BUT DO NOT USE
 YOUR FREEDOM AS A
 COVER-UP FOR EVIL;
 LIVE AS GOD'S SLAVES.
 SHOW PROPER RESPECT TO EVERYONE,
 LOVE THE FAMILY OF BELIEVERS, FEAR GOD,
 AND RESPECT THE KING. 1 PETER 2:16-17



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP · JULY 30TH 2023 · 11:00 AM

Gathering MusicPre-recorded

Welcome & Announcements Cindy Almarode

Invocation Cindy Almarode

Call to Worship Cindy Almarode

Leader: Our Lord gives victory to the anointed.

People: **He answers us from His heavenly sanctuary.**

Leader: With the victorious power of His right hand.

People: **Some trust in chariots, horses and their own wisdom.**

Leader: But as followers of Jesus Christ we trust in the name of the Lord our God

Everyone: **God we proclaim our faith in you as we worship you today. Amen!**

† *Opening Hymn* *Great is Thy Faithfulness*Recorded by JoAnn Pendley

† *Call to Confession* Cindy Almarode

† *Prayer of Confession* Cindy Almarode

Merciful God, abundant in grace, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. God we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Worse yet Lord we have immensely failed to love our neighbor as ourselves. Gracious and loving God deepen within us the acknowledgement of our sorrow for the wrong we have done and share with us this day, the wisdom and strength to redirect ourselves and achieve the good we have left undone.

† *Moment of Silent Confession* Cindy Almarode

† *Assurance of Forgiveness* Cindy Almarode

Time with Children {Hebrews 11:1} . . . *Seeing is Believing?* Derek Almarode

Prayer of Illumination Derek Almarode

<i>Scripture Reading</i> {2 Corinthians 5:7}	Derek Almarode
<i>Sermon</i> <i>One Step is Enough!</i>	Derek Almarode
† <i>Hymn of Reflection</i> <i>Be Thou My Vision</i>	Recorded by JoAnn Pendley
† <i>Acknowledgment of Our Faith</i>	Cindy Almarode

*With immense gratitude and respect to God Almighty,
empowered by the gift of the Holy Spirit,
as believers in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior
we strive to serve Him in our daily walk in life.
We work diligently, to live holy and joyful lives, as we watch for tomorrow
which we know will bring God's new heaven and new earth.
Today, as faithful followers of God's ministry,
we rejoice in knowing that nothing in this life, including our death
can separate us from the Love of God, in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Father, may our time spent here this morning together,
be found pleasing to you, and may you receive all the Glory
in all that we do as your disciples. For by your love,
and the sacrifice of your Son Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen*

<i>Joys, Concerns & Offering</i>	Cindy Almarode
<i>Pastoral Prayer of the People</i>	Derek Almarode
<i>Closing Hymn</i> <i>Abide with Me</i>	Recorded by JoAnn Pendley, Piano
<i>Charge and Benediction</i>	Derek Almarode

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

Bethel Presbyterian Ladies are hosting a luncheon!
Sunday, September 17th @ 1:00 • Cost is \$12 per person • All women are invited!
Meal catered by Middlebrook Mercantile
Menu: Quiche, Soup, Salad, Bread & Dessert

*Guest speaker will be from New Directions, "a non-profit organization dedicated to providing support
and advocacy to those affected by violence, serial assault, and human trafficking".*

Invite your friends and neighbors to this special event!

Contact Stephanie Rivers (540-849-9839) or Beth Miller (540-255-1940) to make reservations and transportation.

Reservations are due by August 27, 2023

"Great is Thy Faithfulness."

T. O. CHISHOLM.

WILLIAM M. RUNYAN.

1. "Great is Thy faith-ful-ness," O God my Fa-ther, There is no
 2. Sum-mer and win-ter, and spring-time and har-vest, Sun, moon and
 3. Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, Thy own dear

shad-ow of turn-ing with thee; Thou chang-est not, Thy com-stars in their cours-es a-bove, Join with all na-ture in pres-ence to cheer and to guide; Strength for to-day and bright

pas-sions, they fail not, As Thou hast been Thou for-ev-er wilt be."
 man-i-fold wit-ness, To Thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy and love.
 hope for to-mor-row, Bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be-side!

CHORUS.

"Great is Thy faith-ful-ness! Great is Thy faith-ful-ness!" Morn-ing by

morn-ing new mer-cies I see; All I have need-ed Thy

hand hath pro-vid-ed,—"Great is Thy faith-ful-ness," Lord, un-to me!

BIBLE STUDY

AT BETHEL

EVERY THURSDAY

@ 6:30

We start
 the new
 series titled
 "Not a Fan"
 August 10!

PRAYER REQUESTS OR CHANGES

If you have any changes, additions or updates to the Prayer List please contact:

Tammy Barbour

@ 540-471-0450

— or —

Ellen Fitzgerald

@ 540-292-2914

To keep the Prayer List as up to date as possible, names will be removed from the list after eight weeks unless Tammy, Ellen or the Office has been notified otherwise.

Be Thou My Vision

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

5 naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's sun!

9 thou my best thought,— by day or by night;
 Thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be,
 thou and thou on - ly first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

13 wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 thou in me dwell - ing and I one with thee.
 high King of heav - en, my treas - ure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.



ECO

As a Presbyterian church, ECO adheres to Reformed theology and Presbyterian polity. The acronym represent ECO's three-fold commitment to make disciples of Jesus Christ (*Evangelical*), connect leaders through accountable relationships and encourage collaboration (*Covenant*), and commit to a shared way of life together (*Order*).

Abide with Me

1. A - bide with me; fast falls the e - ven - tide;
 2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;
 3. I need Thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;
 4. Hold Thou Thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;

the dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.
 earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;
 what but Thy grace can foil the tempt - er's power?
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;

When oth - er help - ers fail, and com - forts flee,
 change and de - cay in all a - round I see.
 Who like Thy - self my guide and stay can be?
 heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee.

help of the help - less, O a - bide with me!
 O Thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me!
 Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me!
 In life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me!

WORDS: Henry F. Lyte, 1847 (Luke 24:29)
 MUSIC: William Henry Monk, 1861

EVENTIDE
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valley + mission
 shelter support hope

Valley Mission Breakfast
 September 9, 2023

Bethel Presbyterian Women
 are providing breakfast
 for Valley Mission
 for 100 people.

*Help is needed
 with casseroles;*

Egg/Sausage, Ham/Egg
 Hash brown/Egg or
 French Bread Casserole

If you can help,
 please contact
 Stephanie Rivers
 540.849.9839
 or Beth Miller
 540.255.1940

Casseroles can be dropped
 off at Bethel (by 8:30)
 or taken directly
 to Valley Mission.

1513 W. Beverly St, Staunton



SERVING CHRIST AT BETHEL WILL BENEFIT YOU!!

Each of us have our own individual needs and reasons for participating in church life. Even though we may not know you personally, we believe that God knows you and loves you. He can direct your life as you draw nearer to Him. One way to grow closer to Him is attending Bethel.



Here are a few benefits of worshipping with us:

- Maybe you're struggling with a specific question or need some direction in your life. Maybe you just need to feel God's love and know that He is here. We assure you that God is here and we promise that you can find him here as you experience His presence.
- Jesus commanded, "This is my body broken for you, take, eat, do this in remembrance of me". Here at Bethel, we take part in the Lords table and so can you.
- What we learn at church gives us guidance on how to follow God, improves our spirituality, and live better lives. You can be uplifted here at Bethel by fellow believers and by the opportunity to serve and worship our Savior.
- Church is a community where we can socialize and support each other. You can make friends, feel a sense of belonging, and build a support network that you can rely on. Here at Bethel we are family, welcome home!
- Bethel is home to many! We worship Christ daily in our actions and our deeds. Christ leads us to find those lost to His word. We believe we are called to serve Him in all that we do. Bethel and the family here serve as the foundation to our spiritual life. In Hebrews 10:24-25 we learn the following, "And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and do good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near."

lift up in prayer

Bethel Leadership and Our Bethel Church Family

Bill Brubeck | Joyce Davis | Charlie Johnson | Ronnie Wilson
John Pilson | Jane Law | Bunny Hearn | Jarod Davis | John Sproul
Skyler Harris | John & Stephanie Davis | Rodger Swisher
Kenny Olson | Joe Heizer | Eddie Sensabaugh | Eddie Bartley

Sympathy & Condolences

FAMILY and FRIENDS of the FOLLOWING:

John Christian

A MESSAGE FROM THE PULPIT

It is Summertime at Bethel, and what a season we have planned. Come one, come all. We are very pleased to announce Summer Church! Worship is every 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday at the Chapel, weather permitting. Remember, temperature isn't inclement weather. We hope to see you there. The 1st Sunday of every month through the summer will be held in the Sanctuary for those who enjoy worshipping inside. Lots more activities planned for the balance of summer even though school starts very soon, so please don't miss out. As always, our doors are open, and all are welcome!

Bible Study - We finished our study on Acts this past Thursday. This coming Thursday, July 27, we will watch the movie *The Life of Paul*. We will take Thursday, August 3 off for a summer break. The new series entitled *Not a Fan* will begin on Thursday, August 10. Our community family of faith continues to grow, we hope you will join us.

It is an honor to serve as your shepherd, we know that time always brings about change. I am so thankful for the positive changes here at Bethel, and for all the hard work of the officers and members. All of you are simply top-notch folks. To our community and our friends, I invite each of you to visit with us and see the great things that we are doing here. We would love to hear from you and see you anytime. Enjoy your summer, be safe and God's blessings to you.

In Christ, Derek

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Thank you for supporting Bethel's Presbyterian Women, because of your generosity we were able to raise \$772.22 at Bethel and the total raised locally \$151,885.38!

16TH
JULY

ATTENDANCE

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A Covenant Order
of Evangelical
Presbyterians

welcome
HOME

ELDER ON CALL

Derek Almarode
540-280-4940

WEEKLY
FINANCIAL
REPORT

Estimated Weekly Budget
\$3,127.00

Offering for July 16th
\$1,637.00





UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

INCLUDING OUR COMMUNITY
FAMILY OF FAITH

Thursday, August 3rd

NO BIBLE STUDY - SUMMER BREAK

Sunday, August 27th - Homecoming

Sunday, September 9th

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S PROVIDING BREAKFAST
AT THE VALLEY MISSION**

Sunday, September 17th

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BRUNCH
IMMEDIATELY AFTER WORSHIP**

Sunday, September 24th -

Last Sunday in Outside Worship

Every Thursday - 6:30 - Starting August 10

**BIBLE STUDY AT BETHEL
NEW SERIES "NOT A FAN"**

*Next Sunday, August 6th, Scott Dove from
First Presbyterian of Harrisonburg,
will be our guest speaker, he is an ECO Lay Pastor.
Please make him welcome!*

YOUTH COMMITTEE

Meets the last Sunday
of each month.

SECURITY COMMITTEE

Meets the 3rd Sunday
of each month.

ELDERS

Dave Schooley
CLERK OF SESSION
& CO-CHAIR

Cindy Almarode
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, CHAIR
MODERATOR, WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

Derek Almarode
TRANSITION CHAIR
TEMPORARY SUPPLY PASTOR

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Tim Turner
COMMUNICATIONS CHAIR

Jill Webb

DEACONS

Ellen Fitzgerald
Charlie Johnson
Mitch Lathrop
Harleigh Lee
Katie McElveen
D.W. Miller

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Guy D. Brooks
Bill Brubeck
Charlie Johnson
Billy Wade
James Williams

CHURCH STAFF

JoAnn Pendley
PIANIST, ORGANIST
BELL CHOIR AND CHOIR

Lois Stogdale
DISBURSING TREASURER

Kay Thompson
RECEIVING TREASURER

John & Donna Bush
CUSTODIANS

Carol & Puggie Sprouse
CUSTODIANS