



# Bethel

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

*Timeless Truths for our  
Changing Community*

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*Organized 1764*

**Mission:** “Bethel Presbyterian Church exists as a fellowship of believers to make disciples of all nations (Matt 28:18-20). Together, we strive to glorify our sovereign Lord through vibrant, God-centered worship; to build up one another by teaching God’s infallible Word; to equip every member for works of service; and to be salt and light by proclaiming the gospel in word and deed.”

**Vision:** All for the glory of God, Bethel Presbyterian Church will be a faithful resource church that is healthy and growing in order to multiply God’s kingdom locally, regionally, and internationally. We have a vision to reach and make disciples in our community and to further multiply gospel mission by equipping our leaders and our congregation for ministry and facilitating assimilation into the body of Christ.

*Celebrating God’s Faithfulness...Advancing His Kingdom!*

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# The Lord's Day Worship

Sunday, February 2, 2025

*Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.*

***Psalm 111:1***

## Preparation

### **The Prelude**

### **The Welcome and Announcements**

### **The Silent Meditation and Prayer on Romans 5:5**

*And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through  
the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.*

## Adoration

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Read Responsively)**

Psalm 24:1-6 ESV

*Pastor: The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein,  
for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.*

**People: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy  
place?**

*Pastor: He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and  
does not swear deceitfully.*

**People: He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of  
his salvation.**

*All: Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.*

## **\*The Song of Praise**

### **"Jesus, I Come"**

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus I come.  
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to Thee.  
Out of my sickness into Thy health,  
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,  
Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee.  
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm,  
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm,  
Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee.  
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love,  
Out of despair into raptures above,  
Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee.  
Out of the depths of ruin untold,  
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,  
Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee.

## **\*The Invocation and the Lord's Prayer**

*Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

1 Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD, saying, "I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea. 2 The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. 3 The LORD is a man of war; the LORD is his name.

4 "Pharaoh's chariots and his host he cast into the sea, and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea. 5 The floods covered them; they went down into the depths like a stone. 6 Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power, your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy. 7 In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow your adversaries; you send out your fury; it consumes them like stubble. 8 At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up; the floods stood up in a heap; the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea. 9 The enemy said, 'I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them. I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.' 10 You blew with your wind; the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters. 11 "Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods? Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders? 12 You stretched out your right hand; the earth swallowed them. 13 "You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

14 The peoples have heard; they tremble; pangs have seized the inhabitants of Philistia. 15 Now are the chiefs of Edom dismayed; trembling seizes the leaders of Moab; all the inhabitants of Canaan have melted away. 16 Terror and dread fall upon them; because of the greatness of your arm, they are still as a stone, till your people, O LORD, pass by, till the people pass by whom you have purchased. 17 You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain, the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established. 18 The LORD will reign forever and ever."

19 For when the horses of Pharaoh with his chariots and his horsemen went into the sea, the LORD brought back the waters of the sea upon them, but the people of Israel walked on dry ground in the midst of the sea. 20 Then Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a tambourine in her hand, and all the women went out after her with tambourines and dancing. 21 And Miriam sang to them: "Sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea."

## **The Call to Confession**

James 4:8-10 ESV

*Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Almighty God.*

## **The Corporate Confession of Sin**

Augustine's Confessions, IX, x

*O Lord, what evil have we not done? Or if there is evil that we have not done, what evil is there that we have not spoken? If there is any that we have not spoken, what evil is there that we have not thought to do? But you, O Lord, are good. You are merciful.*

*You saw how deep we were sunk in death, and it was your power that drained dry the well of corruption in the depths of our hearts. All that You have asked of us was to deny our own wills and accept yours. Forgive us for every failure to do so and help us to follow You in every way and always, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.*

## **The Silent Confession of Sin**

## **The Assurance of Forgiveness**

1 Corinthians 1:28-31 ESV

*God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, so that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord." Children of the living God receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.*

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!  
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.  
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;  
when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above.  
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o’er earth and heav’n;  
the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv’n.  
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

He sits at God’s right hand till all his foes submit,  
and bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet.  
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come,  
and take his servants up to their eternal home.  
*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

**\*The Confession of Faith**

Westminster Confession of Faith  
Chapter 21:5 - Concerning Religious Worship and the Sabbath Day

*We believe the various elements of the ordinary religious worship of God are the reading of the Scriptures with reverence; the sound preaching and conscientious hearing of the Word in obedience to God, with understanding, faith, and reverence; the singing of psalms with grace in the heart; and the proper administration and worthy receiving of the sacraments instituted by Christ. Also, on special occasions and at appropriate times, there are other elements of worship, namely, religious oaths, vows, solemn fasts, and thanksgivings. These are to be used in a holy and devout manner.*

Collection

**\*The Offertory Scripture**

Psalm 51:16-17 ESV

*For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.*

**The Offertory Anthem**

*The Choir*

**\*The Doxology**

*Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

**\*The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Consecration

**The Children's Sermon**

**The Pastoral Prayer**

**\*The New Testament Reading**

Ephesians 5:15-21 ESV  
(pew Bible p. 1162)

**The Sermon**

*A Spirit-filled Life*

Pastor Chris Donnelly

I. The first command: \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 18a)

A. Drinking is not the \_\_\_\_\_; intoxication is because it is a mark of our old, \_\_\_\_\_ nature.

*Proverbs 20:1 Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler, and whoever is led astray by it is not wise.*

B. As Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_, we are not to be mastered by any person, philosophy, or substance besides almighty God, for that is \_\_\_\_\_.

C. Since we've been \_\_\_\_\_ by the blood of Christ, we must not walk as those who're still dead in their sins and trespasses, for that is \_\_\_\_\_ and ruinous.

II. The second command: be \_\_\_\_\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 18b-20)

A. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit refers to His ongoing activity in us which assures us of God's promises and our salvation while \_\_\_\_\_ us as believers.

*Romans 8:4 in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.*

B. As Christians, our \_\_\_\_\_ is marked by the desire to build up one another \_\_\_\_\_ the Word of God.

C. When a believer \_\_\_\_\_ in the Spirit, we have an inside joy that \_\_\_\_\_ itself musically.

*Psalms 33:1 Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright.*

D. Having been filled with the Spirit of God, our \_\_\_\_\_ to the trials and tribulations we face should be \_\_\_\_\_.

*Colossians 3:17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

### **Sermon Notes:**

**Answer Key:** disciples, filling, drunkenness, manifests, response, wasteful, maturing, issue, idolatry, fellowship, filled, avoid, thanksgiving, using, foolish, Spirit, walks, redeemed.



**\*The Closing Hymn**

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

Trinity Hymnal #334

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what thou dost love,  
and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
until my heart is pure,  
until my will is one with thine,  
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
till I am wholly thine,  
until this earthly part of me  
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
so shall I never die,  
but live with thee the perfect life  
of thine eternity.

*Benediction*

**\*Postlude**

God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,  
with his sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again.

*\*We stand, as we are able, to praise the Lord.*

Nursery	Infants (0-2)	Toddlers (2-4)	Worship Training (5-7)
Today	Danielle Austin and Lawson Gray	Douglas McCarter and Ann Falls	Johna Griesman and Cullie Mounts
Next week	Rebecca Wallace and Kim Britt	Nathalee Cuffman and Mandy Wynkoop	Jenni Quinn and Kathy Donnelly

*Worship Training* is available for children ages 5-7. The children will leave after the Children's Sermon to attend class in the Education Building; parents are to pick them up after the conclusion of the worship service.

*Happy birthday today to Grant Thomas Miller! Happy birthday this week to Judy Ferguson, Nathan Weatherby, Renee Wilmoth, and Victoria Linder on 2/3; Bill Jackson on 2/5; Sam Hall on 2/6; Margaret Brown and Tyler Britt on 2/7; and Julie Marsh on 2/8.*

Welcome visitors! Please fill out a welcome card located in the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate.

After 6 years, our congregation is doing a new pictorial directory. If you already have an appointment (no more slots are currently available), you can view and choose your pictures at that time. Completed photos will be mailed to your home after the directory has been reviewed and approved for printing. Full payment is required at the time of your appointment. Either a personal check or debit/credit card will be accepted. There is no additional charge for using your card. For those without appointments, your picture can still be in the directory. You just need to submit a recent digital photo. Because these photos are handled separately, the cost of this option is \$20.00 and includes a copy of the updated directory. As soon as we get the vendor's instructions on submitting photos, we will provide you with those details.

In February, we're accepting nominations for the office of ruling elder and deacon. Nominating forms can be found on the table in the vestibule, in the church office, or online. Please complete them and return them to Pastor Chris or the church office by the end of the month.

#### **This Week at Bethel**

**Today:** KidsQuest, 5:00 pm  
Youth, 5:00 pm

**Monday:** Men of the Covenant, 6:30 pm, FLC. All Bethel men are invited for a meal, devotional, program, and fellowship. The guest speaker will be York County's Sherriff, Tony Breeden.

**Tuesday:** Circle #1, 10:30 am, Ladies Parlor  
GriefShare, 6:30-8:30 pm, Covenant Classroom  
Diaconate Meeting, 7:00 pm

**Wednesday:** GriefShare, 1:00-3:00 pm, Covenant Classroom

**Thursday:** Mentors & Moms, 9:30-11:15 am, Education Building  
**Saturday:** Parents Night Out, 5:00-7:00 pm, FLC. See Amanda Brummett for more information.

#### **Next Week at Bethel**

**KidsQuest:** Sunday, February 9, 5:00 pm

**Youth:** Sunday, February 9, 5:00 pm

**Session Meeting:** Sunday, February 9, 2:00 pm

**Circle #2:** Sunday, February 9, 3:30 pm, Education Building, second classroom on right

**Circle #3:** Monday, February 10, 7:00 pm, Covenant Classroom

**GriefShare:** Tuesday, February 11, 6:30-8:30 pm, Covenant Classroom

**Colleen Riddle Circle:** Wednesday, February 12, 11:00 am, Education Building, second classroom on right

**GriefShare:** Wednesday, February 12, 1:00-3:00 pm, Covenant Classroom

**Mentors & Moms:** Thursday, February 13, 9:30-11:15 am, Education Building

#### **Upcoming Events**

**Wedding Shower:** The Women in the Church are hosting a drop-in wedding shower for Julia Van Vlakte and her fiancé, Jacob Kidd, on Sunday, February 23. The shower will be held in the Ladies Parlor from 2:00-3:30 pm. They are registered at Amazon, Target, Crate and Barrel, and Williams Sonoma.

**Biblical Studies Released Time (BSRT) Annual Pancake Supper:** Saturday, March 8, 3:00-8:00 pm. Bethel PCA has always been one of the primary supporting churches for this program. If you would like to volunteer to help with the pancake supper, please contact Joe Le Moyne by phone at 704-201-7082 or email at jlemoyne@carolina.rr.com.

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**Prayer Requests:** Recovery, healing, and strength: Helen Bean, Steve Britt, Tammy Carrick, Deke Cox, Cary Grant, Charlotte Jackson, Don Johnson, Bill Keller, Mary Love, Debbie Meek, Kay Stewart, Scott Wallace. Spiritual revival: the Holy Spirit would bring a move of conviction and salvation upon communities of cultural influence; God will pour out His Spirit like a mighty purifying flood. Ministries of God's Word, of the sacraments, and of prayer: God's Word would go forth from the pulpit and lectern clearly; the Lord would use our efforts to make an impact in the lives of His people and in our community.