



# Bethel

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

*Timeless Truths for our  
Changing Community*

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*Organized 1764*

## Our Vision

Joyfully obeying the Great Commandments  
by obediently living the Great Commission.

## Welcome to Bethel!

*The spiritual disciplines are not themselves  
the marks of Christlikeness  
as much as they are the means to it.*

*Donald Whitney*

*The LORD'S Day  
Communion Sunday, April 6, 2025*

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~ ORDER OF WORSHIP ~

*My soul will be satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.*

***Psalm 63:5***

**Preparation**

**The Prelude**

**The Welcome and Announcements**

**The Silent Meditation and Prayer on Jeremiah 31:33**

*For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people.*

**Adoration**

**\*The Call to Worship (Read Responsively)**

Psalm 145:1-4,8-11,21 ESV

*Pastor: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless Your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.*

**People: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and His greatness is unsearchable. One generation shall commend Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts.**

*Pastor: The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The LORD is good to all, and His mercy is over all that He has made.*

**People: All Your works shall give thanks to You, O LORD, and all Your saints shall bless You! They shall speak of the glory of Your kingdom and tell of Your power.**

*All: My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, let all flesh bless His holy name forever and ever.*

All people that on earth do dwell,  
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
him serve with fear, his praise forth-tell,  
come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed;  
without our aid he did us make;  
we are his folk, he doth us feed,  
and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,  
approach with joy his courts unto;  
praise, laud, and bless his name always,  
for it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good,  
his mercy is forever sure;  
his truth at all times firmly stood,  
and shall from age to age endure.

**\*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 he said to Moses, "Come up to the LORD, you and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, and worship from afar.

2 Moses alone shall come near to the LORD, but the others shall not come near, and the people shall not come up with him."

3 Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the rules. And all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do."

4 And Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. He rose early in the morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel.

5 And he sent young men of the people of Israel, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen to the LORD.

6 And Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he threw against the altar.

7 Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient."

8 And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words."

## **The Call to Confession**

Ephesians 5:15-16 ESV

*Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Hearing this, saints, let us draw near to God with sincerity and confidence, and pray together.*

## **The Corporate Confession of Sin**

**Holy God, You created us in Your likeness, but through original sin, that image was utterly defaced in all humanity, and we became by nature hostile to You, slaves of Satan, and servants of sin. Remember not the sins of our youth and our rebellious ways: according to your steadfast love and faithfulness remember us, for You are good, O Lord.**

**Triune God, for the sake of Your name, forgive our iniquities, although they are great. Turn to us and be gracious to us, for we are lonely and afflicted. The troubles of our hearts have multiplied; free us from our anguish. Look upon our afflictions and distress and take away our sins. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.**

## **The Silent Confession of Sin**

## **The Assurance of Forgiveness**

Romans 8:38-39 ESV

*For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Brothers and sisters in Christ, I declare to you in the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.*

## **\*The Song of Thanks**

### **“My Heart Is Filled”**

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain;  
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again.  
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me in His light  
And wrote His law of righteousness with pow’r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who walks beside;  
Who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly.  
Whose every promise is enough for every step I take;  
Sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who reigns above;  
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose every thought is love.  
For every day I have on earth is given by the King.  
So, I will give my life, my all, to love and follow Him.

## **\*The Confession of Faith**

*The Heidelberg Catechism*  
Q & A 79

*Q. Why then does Christ call the bread his body and the cup his blood, or the new covenant in his blood, and Paul use the words, a sharing in Christ’s body and blood?*

**A. Christ has good reason for these words. He wants to teach us that just as bread and wine nourish the temporal life, so too his crucified body and poured-out blood are the true food and drink of our souls for eternal life.**

**But more important, he wants to assure us, by this visible sign and pledge, that we, through the Holy Spirit’s work, share in his true body and blood as surely as our mouths receive these holy signs in his remembrance, and that all of his suffering and obedience are as definitely ours as if we personally had suffered and made satisfaction for our sins.**

## Collection

### **The Offertory Scripture**

Matthew 6:2-4 ESV

*"Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you."*

### **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**

Matthew 26:26-29 ESV  
(pew Bible p. 989)

### **The Sermon**

*The New Covenant Meal*

Pastor Chris Donnelly

- I. The meaning of the \_\_\_\_\_ in the new covenant meal (v. 26)
  - A. Jesus links the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord's Supper with the Passover so that we might understand that, via His death, He is accomplishing a greater \_\_\_\_\_ than the one led by Moses from Egypt.
  - B. Through the \_\_\_\_\_ of the bread, Christ points to His death as the \_\_\_\_\_ of Isaiah 53.

C. Using His typical figurative \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus told the Apostles that the bread He gave them represented His body which would be offered as an atoning \_\_\_\_\_ in just a few hours.

II. The meaning of the \_\_\_\_\_ in the new covenant meal (v. 27-28)

A. This cup \_\_\_\_\_ the shedding of Christ's blood opening the way for the redemption of God's \_\_\_\_\_.

*Hebrews 9:22* Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

B. The new covenant \_\_\_\_\_ bestowed on God's children are forgiveness of all sins and eternal \_\_\_\_\_ with God.

*Jeremiah 31:34* And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

C. While His sacrifice was \_\_\_\_\_ to pay the penalty for all sins ever committed, God designed Christ's death only to pay for the transgression of His \_\_\_\_\_ people.

*John 10:11* I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

III. The meaning of the \_\_\_\_\_ in the new covenant meal (v. 29)

A. While the \_\_\_\_\_ are about to go through one of the greatest trials of their lives, Jesus assures them that they will drink \_\_\_\_\_ again one day.

B. Until that time arrives, we can \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ because by His stripes we have been healed, our sins have been completely washed away \_\_\_\_\_.



**Answer Key:** people, exodus, fellowship, disciples, sufficient, breaking, chosen, promise, together, fulfillment, rest, blessings, forever, language, cup, sacrifice, celebration, foreshadows, bread.

**\*The Preparation Hymn**      “Man of Sorrows! What a Name”      *Trinity Hymnal #246*

Man of Sorrows! what a name for the Son of God, who came  
Ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned He stood;  
Sealed my pardon with His blood: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless we; spotless Lamb of God was He;  
Full atonement! Can it be? Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die; “It is finished!” was His cry;  
Now in Heav’n exalted high: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King, all His ransomed home to bring,  
Then anew this song we’ll sing: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

**The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper**

The Words of Institution

The Prayer of Consecration of the Elements

The Distribution of the Elements

*Please hold the elements when received that we may all partake at the same time.*

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

**\*The Closing Hymn**      “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

*Trinity Hymnal #296*

All hail the pow’r of Jesus’ name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all;  
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God, who from his altar call;  
extol the Stem of Jesse’s rod, and crown him Lord of all;  
extol the Stem of Jesse’s rod, and crown him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel’s chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;  
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne’er forget the wormwood and the gall,  
go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all;  
go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.

Let ev’ry kindred, ev’ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball,  
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all;  
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall;  
we’ll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all;  
we’ll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.

**\*The 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.*

	<b>Infants (0-2)</b>	<b>Toddlers (2-4)</b>	<b>Worship Training (5-7)</b>
<b>Today</b>	Cathy Robinson and Ann Marsh	Amanda & Miller Brummett	Lindsey Hall and Ruth McCormick
<b>Next Week</b>	Renee Nix and Lawson Gray	Jackie & Albert Krashner	Abby Chidester and Rebecca Wallace

Worship Training is available for ages 5-7. Children will leave after the children's sermon to attend class in the Education Building. Parents are to pick them up after the worship service concludes.

*Happy birthday this week to Norman Lewis on 4/7; Carter Miller and Craig Adams on 4/9; Chris Wynkoop and Sarah Gibson on 4/10; and Eck Miller on 4/11.*

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

Don't Forget! On the first Sunday of each month, we can give to the deacons' benevolence fund. Please prayerfully consider giving to this worthy cause.

This morning, we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper together as a church family. All communing members of Bethel and all visitors with us this morning who are baptized members in good standing of another evangelical church are encouraged to use the worship service to examine themselves in preparation for the excellent means God has given us to draw closer to Him and one another as His people.

Please join us following worship for a covered-dish fellowship luncheon. This is a great opportunity to get reacquainted with friends, enjoy a meal, and get to know the other saints who worship with our congregation. All are welcome!

Calla lilies can be ordered by using the insert found in the worship guide. Please note that the deadline to order is Sunday, April 13. They will be placed in the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 20, and can be picked up after morning worship. Please give your order to Helen or Cary Grant.

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

##### **Today:**

Fellowship Luncheon, immediately following worship, FLC

Youth Committee Meeting, 3:30 pm

Middle School Girls Discipleship Group, 4:00pm

Youth, 5:00 pm

##### **Monday:**

**Men of the Covenant**, 6:30 pm, FLC. All men are invited to attend for a meal, devotional, program, and fellowship.

##### **Wednesday:**

Colleen Riddle Circle, 11:00 am, Education Building, second room on right

##### **Thursday:**

Mentors & Moms, 10:00 am, playdate at River Hills playground or FLC for inclement weather. Contact Mandy Wynkoop or Lisa Allen for any questions.

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

**Joint Officers Meeting:** Sunday, April 13, 2:00 pm, Conference room

**Circle # 2:** Sunday, April 13, 3:15 pm, Education building, second classroom on right

**Youth:** Sunday, April 13, 5:00 pm

**Circle # 3:** Monday, April 14, 7:00 pm, Covenant classroom

**Mentors & Moms:** Thursday, April 17, Education building

**Easter Celebration:** Sunday, April 13, 4:30 pm. Join us for an egg hunt, Easter story, fun activities, food, and fellowship! Invite friends and family. Whoever invites a friend will be entered into a drawing to win a fun prize. We are asking for pre-filled eggs, which may be placed in the bin in the vestibule. Please see the email that was sent out to the congregation to sign up for food and gift cards.

#### **Upcoming Events at Bethel**

Senior Citizens Lunch: Wednesday, April 30, 12:00 pm, FLC

**QR Code for Giving**



#### **Prayer requests:**

- Recovery, healing, and strength: Helen Bean, Steve Britt, Tammy Carrick, Deke Cox, Cary Grant, Charlotte Jackson, Don Johnson, Bill Keller, Barbara Love, Mary Love, Debbie Meek, Kay Stewart, Scott Wallace.
- Pray that we would be sober-minded people: we would be well-balanced, moderate, and free from excesses in our ideas and convictions; watchful and observant of what goes on around us.; not miss what is crucial while focusing on what is unimportant; be sound, reasonable thinkers.
- The session and congregation at **Christ Ridge Presbyterian Church**, 1070 Gold Hill Road, Fort Mill, SC 29708, (803) 548-2020.