



Bethel

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

*Timeless Truths for our
Changing Community*

Organized 1764

Our Vision

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

Welcome to Bethel!

*Every test and trial, every storm in life
is another opportunity for you to see
the glory of Jesus Christ
and discover his power in your life.*

Sinclair Ferguson

***The LORD'S Day
Sunday, June 15, 2025***

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~ ORDER OF WORSHIP ~

Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

Psalm 34:3

Preparation

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Silent Meditation and Prayer on Romans 1:18-19

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them.

Adoration

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

Psalm 92:1-8 ESV

Pastor: It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High,

People: To proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night, to the music of the ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp.

Pastor: For you make me glad by your deeds, O LORD; I sing for joy at the works of your hands.

People: How great are your works, O LORD, how profound your thoughts!

Pastor: The senseless man does not know, fools do not understand,

People: That though the wicked sprout up like grass and all evildoers flourish, they will be forever destroyed.

ALL: But you, O LORD, are exalted forever.

This is my Father's world,
and to my list'ning ears,
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world:
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world,
the birds their carols raise,
the morning light, the lily white,
declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world:
he shines in all that's fair;
in the rustling grass I hear him pass,
he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world,
O let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world:
the battle is not done;
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
and earth and heav'n be one.

***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.

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

³Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

⁴In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.

⁵And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? “My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him.

⁶For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.”

⁷It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline?

⁸If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons.

⁹Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live?

¹⁰For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness.

¹¹For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Confession

The Call to Confession

Psalm 5:4 ESV

For You are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with You. Hearing this, brothers and sisters, let us confess our sins to the Lord.

The Responsive Confession of Sin

Psalm 51 ESV

Pastor: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

People: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

Pastor: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me. Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

People: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice.

Pastor: Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

People: Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you. Deliver me from blood guiltiness, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

The Silent Confession of Sin

The Assurance of Forgiveness

Galatians 4:4-6 ESV

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" Saints of God, receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

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THY MERCY MY GOD IS THE THEME OF MY SONG

Words by John Stoker

Music by Sandra McCracken

1. Thy mer - cy, my God, is the theme of my song, the
out - thy sweet mer - cy than I could match not for live here; heart which
fath - er of more mer - cies thy good - ness my own and the

4 joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue. Thy
Sin would re - ceive feel its own hard - ness de - pair; but
cov - e - nant love of thy cruc - i - fied son; dis -

6 free grace a - lone from the first to the last hath
through thy by free good - ness my spir - its re - vive and
solved praise to the spi - rit whose whis - per di - vine seals
praise the the spi - rit whose whis - per di - vine seals

8 won he my af - fec - tions and bound my soul
weep that for first the made me of still the keeps me cy a
met - for cy and the praise par - of don and right - eous - ness I've

10 fast. live. found. 2. With 3. Thy

14 mine. All praise to the spir - it whose whis - per di - vine seals

18 mer - cy and par - don and right - eous - ness mine!

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*We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.*

*And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds.
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
And ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
And He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.*

*And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;
And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
And we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

Collection

The Offertory Scripture

Psalm 24:1-2 ESV

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.

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 Old Testament Reading**

Jonah 1:4-10 ESV
(pew Bible p. 920)

The Sermon

But the Lord

Pastor Chris Donnelly

I. The Lord _____ to Jonah's rebellion (v. 4)

A. As the Westminster Confession of Faith reminds us, God directs, regulates, and governs _____ creature, action, and thing, from the greatest to the least, by His completely holy and wise _____.

Psalm 89:9 You rule the raging of the sea; when its waves rise, you still them.

B. God's disobedient _____ can expect to experience their Father's _____ hand.

Hebrews 12:6 For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.

II. The sailors _____ to God's storm (v. 5-8)

A. Like the mariners in the storm, _____ people seek the Lord's help in removing danger but seldom give thought to removing their _____.

B. As believers, we tend to think worldly rebukes arise from _____ when often our neighbors are rightly dismayed at the _____ of those who claim to be God's children.

C. There are _____ for which the world urgently needs the proper _____ of the body of Christ.

III. Jonah _____ to the mariners' question (V. 9-10)

A. The _____ of the Lord is not servile or cringing terror but refers to the reverential awe, trust, and _____ God's people have for Him.

B. The Lord's _____ in the lives of His people are designed to show the world the _____ about Him.

Sermon Notes:

Answer Key: witness, responds, replies, things, children, fear, behavior, hatred, respect, every, transgressions, dealings, correcting, unregenerate, truth, providence, react.

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:

*This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.*

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending, bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. [*Refrain*]

Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. [*Refrain*]

***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.*

	Infants (0-2)	Toddlers (2-4)	Worship Training (5-7)
Today	Cathy Robinson and Jenifer Riddle	Sheridan and Carter Miller	Ilse Wallace and Cullie Mounts
Next Week	Rebecca Wallace and Kimberly Richards	Laura, Brent, and Macie Clinton	Peggy and David Long

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 today to Mallory Cuffman and Rebecca Wallace! Happy birthday this week to Bobby Glenn Wallace, Jackson Love, and Luke Deal on 6/18; Kenny Gray on 6/19; Mike Shively on 6/20; and Julia & Laci Gess on 6/21.

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

Happy Father's Day to all the dads in the congregation!

Needed: Community and Discipleship Group Leaders
Summer is upon us and fall is coming. Please prayerfully consider if God would have you lead a twice-monthly community group in your home or a weekly discipleship group. The time commitment is small, and the benefits are eternal. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Chris.

This Week at Bethel

Tuesday:
GriefShare, 6:30-8:30 pm, Covenant Classroom

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

Good Samaritan's Dinner, 5:00 pm, FLC. Join us for a time of fun and fellowship. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Miller at (803) 417-5751.

Next Week at Bethel

VBS Decorating: Sunday, June 22, immediately following worship service. For more information, see Abby Chidester's email.

VBS: Monday, June 23 through Thursday, June 26, 8:45 am-12:00 pm

GriefShare: Tuesday, June 24, 6:30-8:30 pm, Covenant Classroom

GriefShare: Wednesday, June 25, 1:00-3:00 pm, Covenant Classroom

Bethel Youth Group News

No Youth: today

Slip and Slide: Sunday, June 22, 6:00-8:00 pm, church grounds and meal at the manse

Pool Day: Sunday, June 29, 6:00-8:00 pm, Linders' home

QR Code for Giving



Prayer requests:

- Recovery, healing, and strength: Becky Adams, Helen Bean, Laverne Beard, Steve Britt, Tammy Carrick, Shirley Coker, Deke Cox, Cary Grant, Charlotte Jackson, Don Johnson, Bill Keller, Barbara Love, Mary Love, Debbie Meek, Eck Miller, Jackie Schropp, Kay Stewart, Scott Wallace.
- We would be peacemakers: not contentious or eager for a fight and quick to make peace with others, to apologize to those we've offended, and to overlook offenses committed against us.
- Clover Area Assistance Center (CAAC): a local organization we support that provides a range of services to those in need. CAAC compassionately assists disadvantaged individuals living within the boundaries of the Clover School District in varying degrees of need with food, financial assistance, health services, and education.
- Pastor Greg Marshall, the session, and congregation at **Temple Presbyterian Church, 1105 N. Beersheba Road, Clover, SC 29745-0733, (478) 365-4032.**