

**\* GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

**\* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**OUR LIFE TOGETHER**

Please sign the friendship pad (the red folder) and pass along to others in your row, greeting others by name after worship.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**All: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE** *Philippians 3:10-14*

**SERMON** *"Finish What You Started"*

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

**PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO THE LORD**

**OFFERTORY** *Rubrics: Mvmt. 4 – "The Peace May Be Exchanged" (1)* Dan Locklair

**\* DOXOLOGY**

**\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**All: Blessed are you, God of all creation; through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. Amen.**

**\* SONG FOR SENDING**  
Hymn #339: "Be Thou My Vision"

**\* BENEDICTION AND BLESSING**

**\* POSTLUDE** *Rubrics: Mvmt. 1 – "Hallelujah Has Been Restored" (1)* Dan Locklair

**WORSHIP NOTES**

**OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY** to the Bowser family on the loss of Dawn Bowser (Marina's mother) and to the Hudson family on the loss of Cleo Hudson. Please keep these families in your prayers.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS**, as well as audio listening devices, are available from the Worship Welcome Team.

**MONTHLY CONGREGATIONAL LETTERS:** On communion Sundays, five letters will be placed in the Narthex and then taken to Fellowship in Galbraith Hall. *Please add a quick note to each letter ... these letters provide an important link to those members unable to join us during worship each week.*

**SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION:** Will be observed on Sunday, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Team 1.

**MEMBERS IN SERVICE**

**LITURGISTS:** Cathy Misko; Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> TBD

**FELLOWSHIP HOSTS:** Families P - SL; Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> Families SM - Z

**CHILD CARE:** The Blum Family; Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> The Lucidore Family

**WORSHIP WELCOME TEAM:** Team 9: Phyllis Criss, Judy and Fred Shoemaker, Tom Hultz\*, Betty Bauer\*; Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> - Team 10: Monica, Chris, Miranda & Leah Day, Jerry\* & Kris\* Wade (\*Chairlift)

**SANCTUARY COORDINATORS:** Gary May; Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> Gary May

**GRAPHICS TEAM:** Robin Macherey; Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> Larry Jay

**SOUND BOARD:** Frank Jackson; Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> Steve Kloc

**CHANCEL FLOWERS:**  
In Honor of Mabel Dare, Happy Birthday Mabel.  
In Loving Memory of Ned Wells.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Rob Backstrom, Hartley Baird, Hank Barr, Gary Bittner, Marilou Booth, Art Brandenburg, Ginny Burford, Michele Cobb, Sueann DeFurio, Linda Dermotta, Bert Drummond, Cliff Fair, Jean Fishel, Ginny Flynn, Bettyjean Gamble, Linda Hackett, Dick Jones, Dick Kraft, Pat Kraft, Jack Miller, Emily Parise, Donna Puglisi, Betty Ramsey, Dave Rawlings, Ann Reid, Sue Schoenberger, Joan Sherbak, Anne Unger, Sheila and Rich Vandevander, Kristi Wade, Edith Wallace, Russell York, Sam Zimmerman

**Congregation Life**  
**Weekly Newsletter**  
**August 12, 2018**



**FALL BETHEL LIGHT ARTICLES** are due to Kathy Young by tomorrow, August 13<sup>th</sup>. (Our Fall Bethel Light covers September, October and November.)

**SMALL CHANGE COLLECTION SUNDAY:** Today is Small Change Collection Sunday for South Hills Interfaith Movement. SHIM is currently serving approximately 1,800 individuals each month at their Food Pantries. Please join Mission and Outreach in supporting SHIM.

**SOUTH HILLS INTERFAITH MOVEMENT FOOD PANTRIES:** In order to fully stock the shelves at the Food Pantry, South Hills Interfaith Movement is requesting donations of jars of spaghetti sauce, canned pineapple and potato products. Plastic grocery bags are needed so that produce from the gardens can be bagged for the clients. All donations are appreciated and can be left at the Marshall Road entrance.

**DEACONS RUMMAGE SALE:** It's time to donate your extra stuff. The Deacons are having a Rummage Sale on Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. We will accept books, children's clothing, stuffed animals, furniture, toys, household, yard, garden, kitchen and holiday items, tools, jewelry and games. We cannot accept Readers Digest books, encyclopedias, medical texts, school texts, TVs, electronics, mattresses or upholstered furniture. Please make sure all items are clean and gently used with no missing parts. The sale of your donations will benefit our missions.

**ELDER AND DEACON NOMINATION CONSIDERATIONS:** The Bethel Presbyterian Church Nominating Committee is beginning now to meet to discern the 2021 slate of Elder and Deacon nominations. Your input is welcome! Please stop at the church office to request a form to submit the names you prayerfully feel are qualified individuals.



**RECYCLED EYEGLASS PROGRAM:** In just about any dresser drawer, one can find a pair of eyeglasses no longer being used. That same pair of eyeglasses can change another person's life. Imagine if you could help a child read, an adult succeed in his/her job or assist a senior in maintaining independence. Every day the Lion's Club Recycled Eyeglass Programs do all of this and more.

Our church has a collection box and we are asking for your help in reaching out to people in need. The collection box is located in the Marshall Road entrance for your convenience.

**Upcoming Dates!**

- Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> Young Families Picnic
- Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> Youth Group Pool Party
- Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> Deacons' Rummage Sale
- Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> Catch Up Sunday
- Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> Rally Sunday
- Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> PWPP Fall Gathering
- Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> Ladies 80's Sunday
- Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> Youth Group Kick -Off
- Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> Homecoming Picnic at Oliver Miller Homestead



**Stephen Ministry**

**Sadness ...**

A sadness settles so softly on us. It is seemingly without cause. Yet it lingers like the winter fog. A caring, trained Stephen Minister is ready to help you find your way through the mist. He or she will not judge you or push you to get better; instead, your Stephen Minister will listen and care for you while you work through your feelings.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT  
June 2018**

	Pledged Giving June	Total Income June	Total Income Jan-June	Ministry Expenses June	Ministry Expenses Jan-June
<b>Actual</b>	<b>\$20,779</b>	<b>\$34,722</b>	<b>\$174,056</b>	<b>\$25,291</b>	<b>\$202,148</b>
<b>Expected</b>	<b>\$22,167</b>	<b>\$31,289</b>	<b>\$167,000</b>	<b>\$37,872</b>	<b>\$232,959</b>

Thank you for your support of our church. Please keep in mind that we are running a deficit budget and your continued support and prayers will be needed over the coming months.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Donation statements as of July 31, 2018 are now available in the Narthex. Please pick up at your convenience.



**Did you miss a sermon?  
Past sermons are now  
available to listen to on  
our website!!**

Recordings include music, prayers and other parts of the worship service, too!

[www.bethelpresby.org/sermons](http://www.bethelpresby.org/sermons)

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**CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR**

**Sunday, August 12** (Daily Readings: Psalm 103, 150, Judg. 11:1-11, 29-40, 2 Cor. 11:21b-31, Mark 4:35-41)

10:30 a.m. Worship  
Pastor: Rev. Cathie Smith  
Guest Pastor: Rev. Tara Thompson  
(child care provided for infants up to 5 years of age)  
11:30 a.m. Fellowship: Families P - SL

**Monday, August 13** (Daily Readings: Psalm 5, 145, Judg. 12:1-7, Acts 5:12-26, John 3:1-21)

**Bethel Light Articles Due**  
1:00 p.m. Church Staff Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 215 Meeting

**Tuesday, August 14** (Daily Readings: Psalm 42, 146, Judg. 13:1-15, Acts 5:27-42, John 3:22-36)

10:00 a.m. Quilters Meeting  
5:00 p.m. Soccer Shots  
7:00 p.m. Coin Club  
7:00 p.m. Deacons & Stephen Ministers Meeting  
7:30 p.m. PW Board Meeting

**Wednesday, August 15** (Daily Readings: Psalm 89:1-18, 147:1-11, Judg. 13:15-24, Acts 6:1-15, John 4:1-26)

7:00 p.m. Macdonald Pipe Band Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

**Thursday, August 16** (Daily Readings: Psalm 97, 147:12-20, Judg. 14:1-19, Acts 6:15-7:16, John 4:27-42)

5:00 p.m. Kinder Karate

**Friday, August 17** (Daily Readings: Psalm 51, 148, Judg. 14:20-15:20, Acts 7:17-29, John 4:43-54))

**Saturday, August 18** (Daily Readings: Psalm 104, 149, Judg. 16:1-14, Acts 7:30-43, John 5:1-18)

**Sunday, August 19** (Daily Readings: Psalm 19, 150, Judg. 16:15-31, 2 Cor. 13:1-11, Mark 5:25-34)

10:30 a.m. Worship  
Pastor: Rev. Cathie Smith  
(child care provided for infants up to 5 years of age)  
11:30 a.m. Fellowship: Families SM - Z  
11:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry  
4:00 p.m. Young Families Picnic  
5:00 p.m. Youth Group Pool Party  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Leaders Meeting



**Bethel Presbyterian Church**  
**Worship for the Lord's Day**  
**August 12, 2018**  
**10:30 A.M.**

**"Changed by Christ So We Can Change the World"**

\* Please stand in body or spirit as you are able.

Prayer Request Cards are located in the pew racks. If you have a request, please complete a card and hand it to an usher during the first hymn. (Prayer cards are not used on the Sundays we observe the Lord's Supper or perform baptisms.)

**PRELUDE** Rubrics: Mvmt. 2 - "Silence May Be Kept" <sup>(1)</sup> Dan Locklair

**THE RINGING OF THE BELL**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Wait for the Lord, like those who hope in God's mercy.  
All: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

One: Watch for God, like those who eagerly await the morning.  
All: **We watch for God, whose power redeems us.**

One: Hear God's hopeful word, like those who long for pardon.  
All: **We will sing praise and rejoice in God's steadfast love.**

\* **SONG OF ADORATION**

Hymn #220: "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

\* **CALL TO CONFESSION**

\* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

All: **Merciful God, we have done a lot of running this week, but much of it was not in Your direction. We have run in circles because we did not pause to ask Your guidance. We have run in loneliness because we did not run in love for others. We have tripped because the cares of this world captured our attention. We have run with great fatigue because we are moved by our own power. Through Your Holy Spirit, show us those things that keep us from running the race marked out for us. Forgive us, Lord. Nourish and instruct us, that we may run in the path of Your commands, keeping our eyes on Jesus, the One who calls us by His Name and claims us by His love. Amen.**

\* **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

<sup>(1)</sup> **Rubrics:** A liturgical suite for organ in five movements was composed during the spring of 1988 in Winston-Salem, North Carolina on a commission from the Organ Artists Series of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania for their tenth anniversary year celebration (culminating on April 16, 1989 with the World Premiere of Rubrics in Pittsburgh by the American organist, Mary Preston).