

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.

*** PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE *Genesis 21:8-21*

SERMON *“The Fulfilled Promise”*

PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO THE LORD

OFFERTORY *“Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us”* William H. Bradbury
Arr. Paul Edwards

*** DOXOLOGY**

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

All: As we offer our treasure and hearts to you, O God, may they be used to pass on the promise of hope, of peace, of life, of community to all in need of your gifts and presence in their lives. Amen.

*** SONG FOR SENDING**

Hymn #341: *“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!”*

*** BLESSING**

*** POSTLUDE** *“Be Thou My Vision”* Arr. Gordon Schuster
Irish Melody

A special “thank you” to our guest flute trio:

- Janet Hayes*
- Pamela Pape*
- Lana Timmins*

WORSHIP NOTES

NELL ERWIN MEMORIAL SERVICE: The Erwin family is planning a Graveside Service for Nell on Saturday, September 8th, at 11:00 a.m. Friends of Nell’s are welcome to join the family for this service. (Participants can park in our church parking lot and walk to the cemetery office building.)

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. 2nd, Team 1 - Barbara Jay.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

LITURGISTS: Mary Helen Burroughs; Aug. 26th Dan Beckstrom

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS: Families SM - Z; Aug. 26th Families A & B

CHILD CARE: The Lucidore Family; Aug. 26th The Lucidore Family

WORSHIP WELCOME TEAM: Team 10: Monica, Chris, Miranda & Leah Day, Jerry* & Kris* Wade; Aug. 26th - Team 11: Morris* & Ann* Lindsay, Lana & Jason Kling, Marilyn DeHuff (*Chairlift)

SANCTUARY COORDINATORS: Gary May; Aug. 26th Gary May

GRAPHICS TEAM: Larry Jay; Aug. 26th Courtney Kiesling

SOUND BOARD: Steve Kloc; Aug. 26th Gail Anderson

CHANCEL FLOWERS:

In Loving Memory of Phillip & Emilie Macherey, given by their family.

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, Whitten Little, 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

 **Stephen Ministry**

Why don’t you try this ...

When you’re going through tough times, everyone has advice. But often it isn’t advice you need ... it’s caring. Stephen Ministers are trained to give this care by listening instead of telling you what to do.

Congregation Life
Weekly Newsletter
August 19, 2018

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

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

NEW ADDRESS FOR WHITTEN LITTLE: 333 4th Street, Beaver, PA 15009-2309 (his birthday is August 25th!).

THE TABLE: We will be serving dinner at The Table again on Tuesday, August 28th. Help is needed for preparing the meal at 6:00 p.m. the night before and serving the meal on Tuesday. If you are interested, the sign-up sheet is located at the bottom of the Narthex stairs.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT June 2018					
	Pledged Giving June	Total Income June	Total Income Jan-June	Ministry Expenses June	Ministry Expenses Jan-June
Actual	\$20,779	\$34,722	\$174,056	\$25,291	\$202,148
Expected	\$22,167	\$31,289	\$167,000	\$37,872	\$232,959

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.



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

BEGINNINGS & Blessings

A series of worship and message in Genesis, exploring the relationship of God with His people from the very beginning...

May-October 2018 Sundays at 10:30 am

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CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR

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
- 3:00 p.m. Youth Group Pool Party
- 4:00 p.m. Young Families Picnic
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Leaders Meeting

Monday, August 20 (Daily Readings: Psalm 135, 145, Judg. 17:1-13, Acts 7:44-8:1a, John 5:19-29)

- 1:00 p.m. Church Staff Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 215 Meeting

Tuesday, August 21 (Daily Readings: Psalm 123, 146, Judg. 18:1-15, Acts 8:1-13, John 5:30-47)

- 10:00 a.m. Quilters Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. Soccer Shots
- 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Wednesday, August 22 (Daily Readings: Psalm 15, 147:1-11, Judg. 18:16-31, Acts 8:14-25, John 6:1-15)

- Bethel Light Mailing
- 7:00 p.m. Girl Scouts Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Macdonald Pipe Band Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursday, August 23 (Daily Readings: Psalm 36, 147:12-20, Job 1:1-22, Acts 8:26-40, John 6:16-27)

- 1:00 p.m. American Sewing Group
- 5:00 p.m. Kinder Karate
- 6:45 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting

Friday, August 24 (Daily Readings: Psalm 130, 148, Job 2:1-13, Acts 9:1-9, John 6:27-40)

Rummage Sale Setup

Saturday, August 25 (Daily Readings: Psalm 56, 149, Job 3:1-26, Acts 9:10-19a, John 6:41-51)

- 8:00 a.m. Deacons Rummage Sale
- 2:00 p.m. Rummage Sale Cleanup

Sunday, August 26 (Daily Readings: Psalm 67, 150, Job 4:1-6, 12-21, Rev. 4:1-11, Mark 6:1-6a)

- 10:30 a.m. Worship, Catch Up Sunday
Pastor: Rev. Cathie Smith
(child care provided for infants up to 5 years of age)
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship: Families A & B
- 11:30 a.m. Nominating Committee Meeting
- 11:45 a.m. Volunteer Training



Bethel Presbyterian Church
Worship for the Lord's Day
August 19, 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 "Sonata in G Major" Fillipo Ruge
Movements 2 and 3 Edited by Thomas Cirtin
"Giga" Antonio Vivaldi
2nd Movement from Sonata Arr. Phyllis Rowe

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

One: Creator God, we glimpse your beauty in setting sun, mountain top, eagle's wing. We sense your power in thunder crash, lightning flash and ocean's roar.

All: Creator God we praise you.

One: Precious Jesus, we see your love stretched out upon a cruel cross. We stand in awe at your sacrifice, pure love poured out for humankind.

All: Precious Jesus we praise you.

One: Holy Spirit, we see your power in lives transformed and hearts on fire. We listen for your still, small voice, comforting, guiding, calling.

All: Holy Spirit we praise you.

One: Lord God, your love for humankind present in the beginning of all things, extends throughout history and touches even our lives. Your love sees failings and forgives. Your love feels pain and wipes away our tears. Your love knows grief and comforts the sorrowful. Your love sees sin and still loves the sinner.

All: Forgive us when we fail to live lives that reflect your love. Forgive us the many times when we take for granted all that you have done for us. Transform us, through your Spirit and empower us to serve you, this day and all days. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS AND FORGIVENESS

* **SONG OF TRUST AND ADORATION**
Hymn #455: "All Creatures of Our God and King"

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.