(Children may return to their seats as we begin to sing ...)

FIRST READING ***Matthew 5:21-22, 27-28, 31-45a***

ANTHEM *"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"* Carl F. Mueller
Chancel Choir

SECOND READING ***Matthew 5:17-20***

SERMON ***"All That and More"***

*** SONG OF RESPONSE**
(Choir sings first verse one time, then congregation sings 1-3.)

Insert - Hymn #755: *"Speak, O Lord"*

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO THE LORD

OFFERTORY *"None Other Lamb"* Jane M. Marshall
Chancel Choir

*** 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 #538: *"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"*

*** BLESSING**

*** CHORAL RESPONSE**

*** POSTLUDE** *"Blessed Redeemer"* Philip Kreckels

WORSHIP NOTES

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, March 4th (Team 2, Heather Hunter).

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

LITURGISTS: Wendy Roithner; Feb. 25th Alexis Kiesling

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS: Families M - O; Feb. 25th Families P - SL

CHILD CARE: The Blum Family; Feb. 25th The Kiesling Family

WORSHIP WELCOME TEAM: Team 8: Carole Carroll, Gail Anderson, Wendy Roithner, Marian Rhodes*, Sub. Marilyn Beckstrom*; Feb. 25th -Team 9: Phyllis Criss, Judy & Fred Shoemaker, Barb* & Scott* Schnabel (*Chairlift*)*

SANCTUARY COORDINATORS: Pam Decker; Feb. 25th Carol MacDonald

GRAPHICS TEAM: Alicia Ericson; Feb. 25th Larry Jay

SOUND BOARD: Frank Jackson; Feb. 25th Steve Kloc

CHANCEL FLOWERS:
In Loving Memory of those no longer with us.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Rob Backstrom, Hartley Baird, Hank Barr, Gary Bittner, Marilou Booth, Art Brandenburg, Ginny Burford, Sueann DeFurio, Jean Fishel, Ginny Flynn, Bettyjean Gamble, Linda Hackett, Dick Jones, Dick Kraft, Pat Kraft, Emily Parise, Donna Puglisi, Betty Ramsey, Dave Rawlings, Ann Reid, Sue Schoenberger, Sheila and Rich Vandevander, Kristi Wade, Edith Wallace, Russell York, Sam Zimmerman

Stephen Ministry

Recovery ...

The flowers were wonderful, but they have wilted now. You've received loads of cards. It is still weeks before you can be back at work. Please let us help with your recovery. A Stephen Minister would like to listen and care.

Congregation Life
Weekly Newsletter
February 18, 2018

SOUTH HILLS INTERFAITH MOVEMENT FOOD PANTRIES: During the past months, South Hills Interfaith Movement has seen its client list continue to grow. As a result, the Food Pantry is low on some staples. SHIM needs jars of spaghetti sauce, ketchup, mustard, salad dressing and boxes of cereal.

FOOD PACKAGING EVENT: On Sunday, March 4th, Mission & Outreach is hosting a food packaging event. Rise Against Hunger is the new name for Stop Hunger Now who partnered with us two years ago for a food event in our Auditorium. On March 4th, we will pack 11,106 meals. We will need 50 volunteers to pack food and 10 volunteers to set up and clean up after the event. It is the host's responsibility to not only provide the volunteers, but also fund the event, so if you feel led to sponsor some meals, check out the bulletin board by the chairlift to track our progress and learn more about Rise Against Hunger. We are "Changed by Christ So We Can Change the World" and this is an excellent opportunity to live out that mission.

2018 PER CAPITA: The per capita amount for 2018 is $33.05 and is set by the Pittsburgh Presbytery to support operations of the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly. This amount is per active member, not per family. BPC makes up the shortfall from our operating budget for those members who do not contribute per capita, leaving less money to support our church projects and missions. Please consider contributing your per capita in addition to your regular contribution. In this way we minimize the amount which must come out of our operating budget. If you receive offering envelopes, there is a special envelope for your per capita contribution. If you do not receive offering envelopes, identify on the memo line of your check "2018 per capita". Please prayerfully consider your contribution.

WANT TO HAVE A ONE TIME CHANCE TO HELP WITH THE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY HERE AT BETHEL? Join the VBS Leadership Team! Contact Director of Discipleship, Jessica Kelecava, about ways to help organize and get ready for a fun week of Vacation Bible School at the end of July. We need leaders to help organize volunteers, stations, registration, outreach and decorating. Please let Jessica know if you're willing to help.

"LEGACY TALES" BOOKLETS ARE HERE! These stories celebrate and tell a unique part of our 241 year history at Bethel Presbyterian Church. Written by you ~ the congregation ~ the tales were compiled into a booklet which is waiting for you to pick up. For some fun reading, stop by the Narthex table today to get your copy!

Upcoming Dates!

Sunday, Feb. 18th	**Congregational Meeting** **Spaghetti Dinner and Line Dancing**
Wednesdays in Lent	**Dinner, Singing and All-Ages Interactive Study**
Sunday, Mar. 4th	**Rise Against Hunger Food Packing Event**

2018 Chancel Flowers

With the New Year comes the need to update the Chancel Flower Calendar. This year we have several Sundays without Sponsors.

Here are the Sundays that are open:

March 25
April 22
May 13
June 10
August 12
October 21
November 11

If you would like to sponsor flowers, please contact:

Bethel Presbyterian Church
2999 Bethel Church Road
Bethel Park, PA 15102
412/835-0405

Thank you to all those who sponsor our Chancel Flowers.

Carol MacDonald

Winter 2018

Join us Sunday morning as we explore the life, miracles, and teachings of Jesus through the lens of the Gospel According to Matthew

Beginnings
1/7 star light, star bright
1/14 to the river, in the desert

Miracles
1/21 healed by his choice
1/28 assured by his power
2/4 restored by his love

Purpose
2/11 the one we follow
2/14 the road we travel (Ash Wednesday)

Message
(the Sundays of Lent)
2/18 all that and more
2/25 the wonder of the kingdom
3/4 the challenge of forgiveness
3/11 the question of perfection
3/18 the justice of grace

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CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR

Sunday, February 18 *(Daily Readings: Psalm 84, 150, Dan. 9:3-10, Heb. 2:10-18, John 12:44-50)*

9:15 a.m. Sunday School - Small Groups
10:30 a.m. Worship, Lent 1
Pastor: Rev. Cathie Smith
(child care provided for infants up to 5 years of age)
11:30 a.m. Congregational Meeting
11:30 a.m. Fellowship: Families M – O
11:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
4:30 p.m. Spaghetti Dinner and Line Dancing

Monday, February 19 *(Daily Readings: Psalm 119:73-80, 145, Gen. 37:1-11, 1 Cor. 1:1-19, Mark 1:1-13)*

Child Care Closed
Preschool Closed
1:00 p.m. Church Staff Meeting
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 215 Meeting

Tuesday, February 20 *(Daily Readings: Psalm 34, 146, Gen. 37:12-24, 1 Cor. 1:20-31, Mark 1:14-28)*

9:30 a.m. Preschool, Miss Verna Visit
10:00 a.m. Quilters Meeting
5:00 p.m. Soccer Shots
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Wednesday, February 21 *(Daily Readings: Psalm 5, 147:1-11, Gen. 37:25-36, 1 Cor. 2:1-13, Mark 1:29-45)*

Girl Scout Cookie Delivery/Pick-Up
9:00 a.m. Bethel Light Mailing
10:00 a.m. Bible Study
6:30 p.m. Lenten Dinner & Study
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursday, February 22 *(Daily Readings: Psalm 27, 147:12-20, Gen. 39:1-23, 1 Cor. 2:14-3:15, Mark 2:1-12)*

9:00 a.m. Preschool, Donuts with Dad
12:30 p.m. Preschool, Donuts with Dad
1:00 p.m. American Sewing Group
5:00 p.m. Kinder Karate
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:45 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting
7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 23 *(Daily Readings: Psalm 22, 148, Gen. 40:1-23, 1 Cor. 3:16-23, Mark 2:13-22)*

6:30 p.m. 30 Hour Famine – Youth Group
7:00 p.m. Small Group - Book Review

Saturday, February 24 *(Daily Readings: Psalm 43, 149, Gen. 41:1-13, 1 Cor. 4:1-7, Mark 2:23-3:6)*

12:00 a.m. 30 Hour Famine – Youth Group

Sunday, February 25 *(Daily Readings: Psalm 84, 150, Gen. 41:14-45, Rom. 6:3-14, John 5:19-24)*

9:15 a.m. Sunday School - Small Groups
10:30 a.m. Worship, Lent 2
Baptism – Quinn Harlee LaTorre
Pastor: Rev. Cathie Smith
(child care provided for infants up to 5 years of age)
11:30 a.m. Fellowship: Families P – SL

Bethel Presbyterian Church

Worship for the Lord's Day
First Sunday of Lent
February 18, 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.)***

PRELUDE *Improvisations on the Day's Hymns*

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: O Lord, you are our God; we will exalt you; we will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

All: Strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a stronghold to the poor, a stronghold to the needy in distress, a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat.

Liturgist: Come let us worship the Lord.

*** SONG OF ADORATION**
Hymn #460: *"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"*

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

All: Almighty God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*** SILENT PRAYER**

*** ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

*** 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.

Note: As an act of care for our most vulnerable friends and family during this flu and cold season, we will not physically pass the peace to one another following the Gloria. Please be sure to share words of peace with one another as you depart from worship this morning!

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Hymn #333: *"Seek Ye First"*