

Shine the light of your love in us, feeding us, filling us.
Teach us how to be humble, how to learn and how to seek your help;
grow us more and more into your likeness, each day so that we will
be strong and beautiful for You.
This we pray in Jesus' strong name. Amen.

* SILENCE

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* SONG OF GRACE

Insert: "And Can It Be"

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.

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

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 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" Carl F. Mueller

* DOXOLOGY

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**All: Giving and generous God, we thank you for your grace, for this
community of faith, for the gifts of our lives. Bless these offerings
today that they might be used to further your reign of righteousness
here and now. Work through each of us and through the ministries
of this congregation that we might glorify you in all we do. Amen.**

* SONG FOR SENDING

Insert: "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

* BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE

* POSTLUDE "Jesu, My Trust" Praxis Pietatis Melica

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, April 7th,
Team 4, Angel Jackson

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

LITURGISTS: Courtney Kiesling; March 31st Stacey Lucidore

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS: Families A & B; March 31st Families C & D

CHILD CARE: The Lucidore Family; March 31st Carrie Virgin & Marilyn
Beckstrom

WORSHIP WELCOME TEAM: Team 5: Dave Long, Carl Parise, Russ
Lautenschlager, Marilyn* & Dan* Beckstrom; March 31st - Team 6: Diane & Jack
Miller, Barbara* & Larry* Jay (*Chairlift)

SANCTUARY COORDINATORS: Carol MacDonald; March 31st Greg Smith

GRAPHICS TEAM: Larry Jay; March 31st Robin Macherey

SOUND BOARD: Frank Jackson; March 31st Gail Anderson

CHANCEL FLOWERS:

In Loving Memory of my Parents, Lila Mae and Michael, given by Cathy Misko.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Rob Backstrom, Hartley Baird, Hank Barr, Betty Bauer,
Gary Bittner, Marilou Booth, Art Brandenburg, Pat Brown, Michele Cobb, Sueann
DeFurio, Bob Dare, Linda Dermotta, Cliff Fair, Jean Fishel, Ginny Flynn, Bettyjean
Gamble, Linda Hackett, Dick Jones, Dick Kraft, Pat Kraft, Whitten Little, Emily
Parise, Leanne Parise, Donna Puglisi, Betty Ramsey, Dave Rawlings, Ann Reid,
Sue Schoenberger, Joan Sherbak, Sally Sinatra, Anne Unger, Sheila and Rich
Vandevander, Edith Wallace, Russell York, Sam Zimmerman



If you are interested in joining our Liturgist Team, please
contact Kathy Young in the church office (412/835-0405).
Thank you!

Congregation Life Weekly Newsletter March 24, 2019

SOUTH HILLS INTERFAITH MOVEMENT FOOD PANTRIES: The shelves at SHIM
are in need of salad dressing, creamed soups and paper towels. These items, or any
nonperishable food, would be greatly appreciated.

FEBRUARY 2019 PLEDGES

Pledges YTD	\$29,989
Budgeted Pledges YTD	\$35,166
Difference	-\$5,177

As you can see, pledges received so far in 2019 have not kept pace with what is
expected or needed to meet our ongoing ministry expenses. Because of this, in just
the first three months of the year, we have needed to draw over half of the funds
available to us from the endowment for the whole year. If you missed your pledges
and offerings for a few weeks due to weather, illness or other reasons, please
consider a catch-up donation to help the church continue its faithful ministry in the
coming weeks and months. Thank you for your ongoing love and support of the
church and all God is calling us to be and do.

2019 PER CAPITA GIVING: Do you know that each year Bethel Presbyterian
Church supports the missions and services of the larger Presbyterian Church
through our Per Capita offering?

The Pittsburgh Presbytery, the Synod of the Trinity and the National Presbyterian
Church U.S.A. are funded by these gifts from each member congregation. The
Presbytery keeps an eye on the bigger picture serving needs such as poverty,
disaster assistance, abuse and neglect, but the key source of funding is the
Per Capita giving from each and every member of the Presbyterian Church.
Bethel Presbyterian Church was the recipient in 2018 from disaster assistance
for all the flooding in Bethel and we were able to help our neighbors financially.


Bethel Presbyterian Church's Per Capita assessment for 2019 is **\$33.05 for each
confirmed member** of the congregation, totaling more than **\$9,000**. You can do
your part and pay the \$33.05 all at once or throughout the year. If you don't pay,
BPC still has to pay the larger Presbyterian Church for each confirmed member,
so we ask that you prayerfully consider and submit your families expected
contribution for each confirmed member and place it in the offering plate or
mail it to the church office.

Bethel Presbyterian Church is a very giving congregation and our offerings directly
support dozens of local and global missions as well as the needs of those in our own
church family.

In Christ's service,
BPC Finance Committee

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Mar. 27 th - Apr. 10 th	Wednesday Night Lenten Dinners and Studies
Apr. 7 th	Newcomers/New Members Information Gathering
Apr. 14 th	Confirmation Celebration
Apr. 14 th	Easter Eggstravaganza
Apr. 18 th	Prayer Stations and Maundy Thursday Service
Apr. 19 th	Prayer Stations and Good Friday Service
Apr. 27 th	Spring Work Day



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



NAOMI CIRCLE: The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 3rd, 10:00 a.m., in the Chapel of Bethel Park Retirement Residence. Please bring your Bible!

Join Us for Lenten Dinners!

Bud to Bloom - Growing in Christ

We will enjoy dinner, play games, study the Bible and sing in worship together!

Wednesday:

March 27th
April 3rd
April 10th

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Galbraith Hall



CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR

Sunday, March 24 (Daily Readings: Psalm 84, 150, Jer. 6:9-15, 1 Cor. 6:12-20, Mark 5:1-20)

9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
10:30 a.m. Worship
Baptism: Gabriella Gail Doring
Pastor: Rev. Cathie Smith
(child care provided for infants up to 5 years of age)
11:30 a.m. Fellowship: Families A & B
12:00 p.m. Youth Group
1:30 p.m. REACH Meeting

Monday, March 25 (Daily Readings: Psalm 119:73-80, 145, Jer. 7:1-15, Rom. 4:1-12, John 7:14-36)

9:30 a.m. Preschool, Miss Verna Visit
1:00 p.m. Church Staff Meeting
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7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 215 Meeting

Tuesday, March 26 (Daily Readings: Psalm 34, 146, Jer. 7:21-34, Rom. 4:13-25, John 7:37-52)

10:00 a.m. Quilters Meeting
7:00 p.m. Deacons & Stephen Ministers Meeting
7:00 p.m. Mission Committee Meeting

Wednesday, March 27 (Daily Readings: Psalm 5, 147:1-11, Jer. 8:4-7, 18-9:6, Rom. 5:1-11, John 8:12-20)

10:00 a.m. Bible Study
6:30 p.m. Lenten Dinner and Study
7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursday, March 28 (Daily Readings: Psalm 27, 147:12-20, Jer. 10:11-24, Rom. 5:12-21, John 8:21-32)

1:00 p.m. American Sewing Group
5:00 p.m. Kinder Karate
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting
7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 29 (Daily Readings: Psalm 22, 148, Jer. 11:1-8, 14-17, Rom. 6:1-11, John 8:33-47)

Saturday, March 30 (Daily Readings: Psalm 43, 149, Jer. 13:1-11, Rom. 6:12-23, John 8:47-59)

8:30 a.m. Reading of the Books - Clerk of Session

Sunday, March 31 (Daily Readings: Psalm 84, 150, Jer. 14:1-9 {10-16} 17-22, Gal. 4:21-5-1, Mark 8:11-21)

9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
10:30 a.m. Worship
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12:00 p.m. Youth Group



Bethel Presbyterian Church
Worship for the Lord's Day
Third Sunday of Lent
March 24, 2019
10:30 A.M.

Changed by Christ So We Can Change the World"

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

PRELUDE "Lenten Melody"

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

*** SONGS OF ADORATION**

Hymn #220: "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" (Verses 1 and 4)
Hymn #464: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" (Verses 1, 2 and 3)

MORNING PRAYER

SERVICE OF BAPTISM: GABRIELLA GAIL DORING

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

BAPTISMAL HYMN

Insert: "I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry"

SCRIPTURE John 1:1-18

ANTHEM "Grace" Arr. Mark Hayes

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 17:5-8

SERMON "Sunlight"

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

All: Holy God,
For being so proud, so smart and so able;
For relying on our weakness, thinking it is our strength;
For trusting others more than we trust in you;
For closing ourselves from experiencing your grace;
For limiting the possibilities of what your love can grow in us;
For being less than what you created us to be;
Forgive us.

Stephen Ministry

An Empty, Aching Hole - and Memories ...

Someone you loved has died and the world is darker. At a time like this, you need a caring, concerned friend to listen to you and be with you. A Stephen Minister would like to be that friend.

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