

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO THE LORD

OFFERTORY

*** DOXOLOGY**

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

All: Blessed are you, O Lord, God of all creation; in your mercy you provide every good thing for us. Receive these offerings as a sign of our commitment to serve you all our days. Amen.

*** SONG FOR SENDING**

Take My Life #391

*** BLESSING**

*** POSTLUDE**

Trumpet Jubilation

Richard E. Frey

Upcoming Dates!

July 23 rd - 27 th	Vacation Bible School
July 29 th	VBS Celebration
Aug. 3 rd - 5 th	Bethel Serves Weekend, Friday – Worship, Saturday – Work, Sunday – Picnic
Aug. 11 th	Young Families Play Date
Aug. 25 th	Deacons’ Rummage Sale

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.

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, August 5th, Team 4

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

LITURGISTS: Stacey Lucidore; July 29th Alexis/Courtney Kiesling

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS: Families E - H: July 29th Families I - L

CHILD CARE: Smith Family: July 29th Stefancin Family

WORSHIP WELCOME TEAM: Team 6: Hank & Paula Barr; Diane & Jack Miller; Barbara* & Larry* Jay (*Chairlift) July 29th Team 7 – Sueann & Don DeFurio, Marilyn* & Dave Kunkle, Pam Rawlings* (*Chairlift)

SANCTUARY COORDINATORS: Gary May; July 29th Gary May

GRAPHICS TEAM: Courtney Kiesling; July 29th Larry Jay

SOUND BOARD: Frank Jackson; July 29th Steve Kloc

CHANCEL FLOWERS: In Loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. John Wilson & Robert Wilson, given by Joanne Wells. In Loving Memory of Rev. & Mrs. F.A. Ericson & Helge & Martha Carlson, given by Bob & Joanne Ericson.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Rob Backstrom, Hartley Baird, Hank Barr, Gary Bittner, Marilou Booth, Art Brandenburg, Ginny Burford, Michele Cobb, Sueann DeFurio, 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, Kathy Young, Sam Zimmerman



**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

**Congregation Life
Weekly Newsletter
July 22, 2018**

HEARTFELT APPRECIATION (From Kathy Young): I have to be one of the luckiest people to receive so many cards, flowers, basket and, most of all, the prayers from my friends. I realize what a fortunate day it was for me when I came to BPC and I wouldn't change a minute of it. It is a privilege to know you all and I can't wait to be back at my desk. Love & appreciation, Kath

SOUTH HILLS INTERFAITH MOVEMENT FOOD PANTRIES: SHIM hosts food pantries at three sites. They are requesting donations of ketchup, canned pineapple and salad dressing, but any nonperishable food item is appreciated. Plastic grocery bags are also needed so produce from the gardens can be bagged for the clients. Please leave your donations 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, and upholstered furniture. Please make sure all items are clean and gently used with no missing parts. The sale of your stuff 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 consider the qualifications listed on the bulletin insert and submit names you prayerfully feel are qualified individuals.

NEXT BETHEL LIGHT: Articles for the Fall issue of the Bethel Light are due to Kathy Young by August 13th, mailing scheduled for August 22nd.

PRESCHOOL TEACHER/CHILD CARE TEACHER POSITION: Preschool teaching position available 2 mornings a week for the 2018-2019 school year. Possible candidates must have a teaching degree and previous teaching experience. If you are interested in joining our team of dedicated preschool teachers, please send your resume to **Andrea** at: bethelpresps@verizon.net or **Bethel Presbyterian Preschool, 2999 Bethel Church Rd. Bethel Park, PA 15102.**

WELCOME GUEST ORGANIST: This morning we welcome Matthew Radican as our guest organist while Cody is away. Matthew serves as the Director of Music and Organist at St. Anthony's Chapel in Troy Hill, where he organizes music for and plays at weekly services, as well as special services throughout the year. He also serves as the Organ Scholar at Sacred Heart Parish in Shadyside, where he plays for weekly Masses. Matthew is highly involved in the organ community in Pittsburgh and is on the 2018-2019 board of the Organ Artist Series of Pittsburgh, an organization that promotes organ music and recitals in the greater Pittsburgh area. He also works as a pipe organ designer and builder, most recently completing projects in Maryland with Luley and Associates, a local organ building firm. Matthew is currently a student at Carnegie Mellon University, where he is pursuing a Bachelor of Architecture and Minor in Building Science. This summer he is working as an intern in UPMC's Corporate Construction Management program. When not at the organ bench, in class, or at work, he enjoys drawing, painting, design, and fine carpentry.



MALAWI PARTNERSHIP - A NEW HORIZON FOR BPC

Please read the following letter from Marissa Virgin Please read the update we received from Marissa Virgin this week as she travels in Malawi!

Hello from Malawi! After a long 30 hours of travel, I arrived in Malawi on Saturday, July 14th. Although I have been here only a short while, I have had many wonderful experiences! On Sunday, I attended worship at St. Andrews CCAP (Church of Central Africa Presbyterian). The service was full of praise, scripture, and fellowship. I can't wait to share more about that service with you when I return! On Sunday I also visited the Border Market which is name the Border Market because it is on the border of Malawi and Mozambique. The rest of that tday was spent touring St. Andrews Secondary School and visiting with students. Later this week I will be visiting the Mulanje district hospital, an orphanage, and our sister church, Nthemba CCAP! I am so looking forward to these new adventures and sharing my experiences with you all when I return! Blessings, Marissa



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CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR

Sunday, July 22 (Daily Readings: Psalm 19, 150; Joshua 6:15-27; Acts 22: 30-23:11; Mark 2:1-12)

10:30 a.m. Worship
Pastor: Cathie Smith
(child care provided for infants up to 5 years of age)
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Families E-H
4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class of 2017 Reunion at the Kieslings

Monday, July 23 (Daily Readings: Psalm 135, 145; Joshua 7:1-13; Romans 13:8-14; Matthew 26:36-46)

Child Care Closed for Vacation
6:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School

Tuesday, July 24 (Daily Readings: Psalm 123, 146; Joshua 8:1-22; Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 26:47-56)

Child Care Closed for Vacation
6:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School

Wednesday, July 25 (Daily Readings: Psalm 15; 147:1-11; Joshua 8:30-35; Romans 14:13-23; Matthew 26:57-68)

Child Care Closed for Vacation
6:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School

Thursday, July 26 (Daily Readings: Psalm 36; 147: 12-20; Joshua 9:13-21; Romans 15:1-13; Matthew 26:69-75)

Child Care Closed for Vacation
6:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School

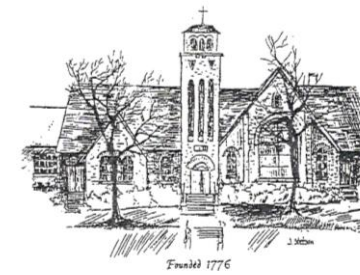
Friday, July 27 (Daily Readings: Psalm 130, 148; Joshua 9:22-10:15; Romans 15:14-24; Matthew 27:1-10)

Child Care Closed for Vacation
6:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School

Saturday, July 28 (Daily Readings: Psalm 56, 149; 23:1-16; Romans 15:25-33; Matthew 27:11-23)

Sunday, July 29 (Daily Readings: Psalm 67, 150; Joshua 24:1-15; Acts 28:23-31; Mark 2:23-28)

10:30 a.m. Worship and Vacation Bible School Celebration
(child care provided for infants up to 5 years of age)
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Families I-L



Bethel Presbyterian Church
Worship for the Lord's Day
July 22, 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 *Quattro Versi in Sol Minore* Domenico Zipoli

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

***PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

One: Eternal God, by your word you create, and by your breath you give life. We worship you with joy and thanksgiving, praising you for the fullness that your presence brings to our lives and our life together. We praise you that by your word you feed us; we are satisfied, and there is always more. Your goodness is displayed in your wonderful works for all humanity, and in your perfect love.

All: **And yet, in our humanity we doubt your love, we rebel against your will, and we follow after foolish ideas which lead away from life with you. Forgive us and strengthen us to follow you more faithfully each day. Amen.**

***ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS AND FORGIVENESS**

*** SONG OF PRAISE**
Immortal, Invisible #263

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:

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

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE 17: 1-13, 15-16, 19b-22

SERMON The Sign of the Covenant

PRAYER