

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 *Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*

ANTHEM "Home" Chris Tomlin

SCRIPTURE *Psalms 102:12, 18-28*

SERMON "Changes, Ages and God's Enduring Purpose"

* SONG OF RESPONSE

Hymn #275: "God of Our Life"

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 "No Longer Slaves" Bethel Music

* DOXOLOGY

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Lord Jesus Christ, you have put your life into our hands; now we put our lives into yours. Take us and take these gifts we bring. Bless them and bless us, too. Renew and remake us. What we have been is past; what we shall be, through you, still awaits us. Lead us on. Amen.

* SONG FOR SENDING

Hymn #210: "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

* BENEDICTION

*** POSTLUDE** "Triumphal March" William Stickles

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, May 5th, Team 2 - Heather Hunter.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

LITURGISTS: Cathy Misko; May 5th Courtney Kiesling

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS: Families M - O; May 5th Families P - SL

CHILD CARE: The Decker Family & Miranda Day; May 5th The Kiesling Family

WORSHIP WELCOME TEAM: Team 10: Monica, Chris, Miranda & Leah Day, Jerry* & Kris* Wade; May 5th - Team 11: Morris* & Ann* Lindsay, Lana & Jason Kling, Marilyn DeHuff (*Chairlift)

SANCTUARY COORDINATORS: Pam Decker; May 5th Carol MacDonald

GRAPHICS TEAM: Larry Jay; May 5th Robin Macherey

SOUND BOARD: Gail Anderson; May 5th Frank Jackson

CHANCEL FLOWERS:

In Honor of my Mother, Mary Pursglove, given by Cindy Fair.

In Loving Memory of James Opsal, given by Bonnie, Erika and Greg Opsal.

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, Russ Lautenschlager, Emily Parise, Leanne Parise, Donna Puglisi, Betty Ramsey, Dave Rawlings, Ann Reid, Sue Schoenberger, Joan Sherbak, Sally Sinatra, Jean Smith, Anne Unger, Sheila and Rich Vandevander, Edith Wallace, Russell York, Sam Zimmerman



Celebrating our uniqueness and unity in Christ through the Word of God, the music of the ages, and the stories of our lives...

April 28 Changes, Ages, and God's Enduring Purpose
May 5 The "Builders" - Fear Not
May 12 "Generation Z"- God's Wide Welcome
May 19 The "Busters"- Never Alone
May 26 The "Boomers"- Truth and Power
June 2 The "Bridgers"- Unfiltered
June 9 "Peas and Carrots"

Congregation Life Weekly Newsletter April 28, 2019

JAPANESE TEA: Our Presbyterian Women will be sponsoring a Japanese Tea on Sunday, May 5th, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., in the church Auditorium. We will be celebrating the cherry blossom season. Tickets may be purchased after church during the Fellowship Hour every Sunday until April 28th, through the church office or by contacting a PW Board Member. We are limited to selling 80 tickets. Please invite friends and family to attend; this is not limited to church members. The tickets are \$12.

SOUTH HILLS INTERFAITH MOVEMENT FOOD PANTRIES: In order to adequately stock the shelves in all its sites, SHIM needs jars of spaghetti sauce, ketchup and bags of dried beans. All contributions of nonperishable food items are welcome!

Bethel Presbyterian Church Presents

Music Through the Seasons

Featuring choirs from Bethel Presbyterian Church and Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church

Saturday May 4 2019 7 pm

2999 Bethel Church Rd. Free admission Refreshments following the concert

MEN'S SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: Please contact Dan Beckstrom if you are interested in joining the group.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER FOOD PACKING EVENT - SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH: Rise Against Hunger is an international hunger relief organization that distributes food and life-changing aid to the world's most vulnerable, mobilizing the necessary resources to end hunger by 2030. Please join the movement by signing up to help pack food or by donating to the cost of this event. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING: Just a reminder that we will accept donations for OGHs through May 26th. "Special Thanks" to the children who filled their fish boxes!

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO CONTRIBUTE TO BPC "2019 PET PROJECTS": There are still plenty of opportunities for you to contribute, even just a small amount can make a big difference. Funding needed for Staff Training (\$1,000), Staff Appreciation (\$500), Supplemental Staffing (\$3,000), Small Groups (\$750), Student Ministry (\$2,750), Special Events (\$500), Special Musicians (\$2,500), Graphics/Listening (\$500), Mission Projects (\$5,000), Officer Training (\$500), Advertising (\$400). We are happy to report that Supportive Services is fully funded! Thank you.

Simply drop off your contribution to the Financial Secretary or place it in the offering plate with a note or subject line in the memo section stating your wishes.

Thank you,
Finance Committee




SUMMER BETHEL LIGHT ARTICLES are due to Kathy Young by Monday, May 13th. (Our Summer Bethel Light covers June, July and August.)

NEXT NAOMI CIRCLE MEETING: Scheduled for Wednesday, May 1st, 10:00 a.m., in the Chapel of Bethel Park Retirement Residence. Please bring your Bible!

MARCH 2019 PLEDGES

Pledges YTD	\$50,990
Budgeted Pledges YTD	\$52,749
Difference	-\$1,759

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.



Stephen Ministry

Middle Age ...

Full of change, crisis and growth. We must deal with aging parents, adult children and our own mortality. If you are going through this crisis and need a sympathetic, trained listener, a Stephen Minister would like to be there for you.



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

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CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR

Sunday, April 28 (Daily Readings: Psalm 93, 150, Isa. 43:8-13, 1 Peter 2:2-10, John 14:1-7)

- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
- 10:30 a.m. Worship, Baptism of Luke Edward Zeiler
Pastor: Rev. Cathie Smith
(child care provided for infants up to 5 years of age)
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship – Families M - O
- 12:00 p.m. Youth Group
- 2:00 p.m. Library Group Meeting

Monday, April 29 (Daily Readings: Psalm 97, 145, Dan. 1:1-21, 1 John 1:1-10, John 17:1-11)

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

Tuesday, April 30 (Daily Readings: Psalm 98, 146, Dan. 2:1-16, 1 John 2:1-11, John 17:12-19)

- 10:00 a.m. Quilters Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. Soccer Shots
- 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Concert Rehearsal

Wednesday, May 1 (Daily Readings: Psalm 99, 147:1-11, Dan. 2:17-30, 1 John 2:12-17, John 17:20-26)

- 10:00 a.m. Naomi Circle
- 7:00 p.m. Macdonald Pipe Band Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting
- 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Study

Thursday, May 2 (Daily Readings: Psalm 47, 147:12-20, Dan. 2:31-49, 1 John 2:18-29, Luke 3:1-14)

- 9:30 a.m. Preschool, Miss Verna Visit
- 1:00 p.m. Preschool, Miss Verna Visit
- 5:00 p.m. Kinder Karate
- 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Dress Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Dress Rehearsal

Friday, May 3 (Daily Readings: Psalm 96, 148, Dan. 3:1-18, 1 John 3:1-10, Luke 3:15-22)

Youth Group Lock-In at Fun Fore All

Saturday, May 4 (Daily Readings: Psalm 92, 149, Dan. 3:19-30, 1 John 3:11-18, Luke 4:1-13)

- Youth Group Lock-In at Fun Fore All
- 5:00 p.m. Choir Festival Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Festival/Reception

Sunday, May 5 (Daily Readings: Psalm 93, 150, Dan. 4:1-18, 1 Peter 4:7-11, John 21:15-25)

- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
- 10:30 a.m. Worship, Communion Sunday, Team 2
Pastor: Rev. Cathie Smith
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- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship – Families P – SL
- 12:00 p.m. Youth Group
- 2:00 p.m. PW Japanese Tea



Bethel Presbyterian Church
 Worship for the Lord's Day
 April 28, 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 "Where Is Death's Sting" Philip Kreckels

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: In the beginning, before time, before people, before the world began ...
All: God was.

One: Here and now among us, beside us, enlisting the people of earth for the purposes of heaven ...
All: God is.

One: In the future, when we have turned to dust and all we know has found its fulfillment ...
All: God will be.

One: Not denying the world, but delighting in it, not condemning the world, but redeeming it, through Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit ...
All: God was, God is, God will be.

*** SONG OF ADORATION**
 Hymn #262: "God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"

*** CALL TO CONFESSION**

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

All: Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.

SILENCE

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*** SONG OF GRACE**
 Hymn #280: "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" (Verses 1-4)

SERVICE OF BAPTISM: LUKE EDWARD ZEILER

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