

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

## PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO THE LORD

OFFERTORY "Andante in A Major" Luigi Bottazzo

\* DOXOLOGY

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: **Blessing God, you are faithful to your promises to every generation. Receive these gifts as an act of service, for the sake of the world you love, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

\* CLOSING SONG

Insert: "Oceans"

\* BLESSING

\* POSTLUDE

"God Is Here"

ancient words  
for a modern world

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

Sundays at 9:30 am

July 14	I Believe in God...
July 21	I Believe in Jesus Christ...
July 28	I Believe in the Holy Spirit...
Aug 4	I Believe in the Communion of Saints...
Aug 11	I Believe in the Forgiveness of Sins...
Sept 1	I Believe in the Resurrection of the Body...
Sept 8 (10:30 am)	I Believe...Amen.

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www.bethelpresby.org

9:30 AM  
SUNDAY SCHOOL  
CELEBRATION

RETURN TO  
10:30 AM WORSHIP

12:00 PM  
YOUTH GROUP KICK OFF

RALLY  
DAY

SUNDAY,  
SEPT 8

### Upcoming Events!

Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> Rally Day, Worship: 10:30 Start, Youth Group Kick Off  
 Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> Ladies 80's  
 Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Fellowship  
 Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> Church Picnic  
 Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> Communion Class for Children and Parents

## 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, September 1<sup>st</sup> - Team 2 - Heather Hunter.

## MEMBERS IN SERVICE

**LITURGISTS:** Alexis Kiesling; Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> Cathy Misko

**FELLOWSHIP HOSTS:** Families P - SL; Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> Families SM - Z

**CHILD CARE:** The Lucidore Family; Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> Child Care rooms are open, but not staffed due to the holiday.

**WORSHIP WELCOME TEAM:** Team 3: Pat Kaczmarek, Ken Niemeier, Ted Keenan, Jean Smith\*, Ruth Stotesbery\*; Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> - Team 4: Cindy Fair, Mary Pursglove, Brooke Cashman, Dottie Frazier\*, Nancy Carr\* (\*Chairlift)

**SANCTUARY COORDINATORS:** Gary May; Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> Gary May

**GRAPHICS TEAM:** Larry Jay; Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> Courtney Kiesling

**SOUND BOARD:** Steve Kloc; Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> Gail Anderson

**CHANCEL FLOWERS:**

In Loving Memory of Nancy Hough Soliday, given by her sister Jodie Hough Martinson.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Rob Backstrom, Hartley Baird, Hank Barr, Betty Bauer, Gary Bittner, Carl Bonanni, Marilou Booth, Marina Bowser, Art Brandenburg, Michele Cobb, Bob Dare, Sueann DeFurio, Bob Ericson, Melanie Ericson, Cliff Fair, Jean Fishel, Ginny Flynn, Bettyjean Gamble, Linda Hackett, Steve Kloc, Dick Kraft, Pat Kraft, Russ Lautenschlager, Whitten Little, Carol McDonald, Diane Miller, Jack Miller, Emily Parise, Donna Puglisi, Betty Ramsey, Dave Rawlings, Ann Reid, Joan Sherbak, Sally Sinatra, Jean Smith, Anne Unger, Sheila and Rich Vandevander, Ansley Virgin (Basso), Kristi Wade, Edith Wallace, Russell York, Sam Zimmerman

Don't  
Forget

Beginning September 8  
We Return to Worship  
at 10:30 am!!

Sermons  
ONLINE

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](http://www.bethelpresby.org/sermons)

## Congregation Life Weekly Newsletter August 25, 2019

**SOUTH HILLS INTERFAITH MOVEMENT FOOD PANTRIES:** In order to fully stock the shelves at the Food Pantry, SHIM 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.

**CHOIR REMINDER:** For those of you who are returning or may be interested in joining our musical ensembles, our season will commence the week after Labor Day. Bell Choir (in the Sanctuary) and the Chancel Choir (in the Choir Room) meet at their respective times (6:30 p.m. and 7:45 p.m.). Both of these ensembles are looking for new members to join and we encourage participation in the music program at BPC. If you are interested in joining, please see Jason Wilcox for more information.



**WE NEED YOU!** Volunteering for Meals on Wheels is a great way to make a huge impact in a short amount of time. By delivering meals, you bring nutritious food to seniors and people with disabilities in Bethel Park and Upper St. Clair. Anyone can deliver meals. Sign up today and find out how easy and rewarding it is to bring nutrition and independence to your neighbors! Call Dorothy Vandruff at 412/835-1039 or 412/722-9400.



**FOOD DRIVE:** PW is sponsoring a Food Drive for South Hills Interfaith Movement. Please consider helping our local residents who are in need. Check the poster at the Marshall Road entrance for suggestions. Thank you for your help!

**Debbie May**  
General PW Mission Coordinator

### JULY 2019 PLEDGES

Pledges YTD	\$117,794
Budgeted Pledges YTD	\$123,081
Difference	-\$5,287

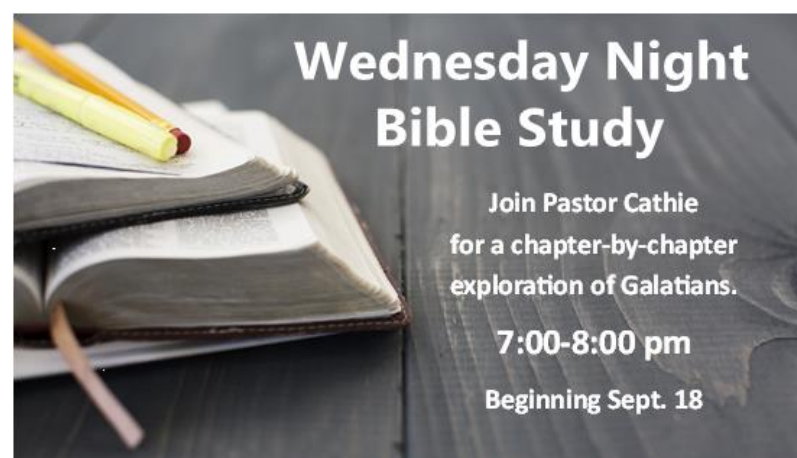
Thank you for your ongoing love and support of the church and all God is calling us to be and do. If you missed your pledges and offerings for a few weeks due to weather, illness, or other reasons, please consider a catch-up donation to help the church continue its faithful ministry in the coming weeks and months.

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO CONTRIBUTE TO BPC 2019 PET PROJECTS:** There are still plenty of opportunities for you to contribute. Any amount will be accepted, as every dollar counts. Funding needed for Staff Training (\$1,000), Staff Appreciation (\$450), Small Groups (\$750), Student Ministry (\$2,750), Special Events (\$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!

**THE NAOMI CIRCLE** will resume their meetings on September 4<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m., at the Bethel Park Retirement Center (across the street from the church). Please bring your Bible!

**LIBRARY UPDATE:** This summer I had the opportunity to visit the Pennsylvania Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (also part of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh) with the group called Friends of Church and Synagogue Libraries. We were given the tour of the facility, including the onsite recording studio where the digital audio books were made to be used with a digital recorder. We were able to sign up to have a free recorder for use in our own church. The recorder is easy to use with digital audio books or magazines. The recorder actually tells you what each button does. The audio books are sent to the church after we submit an order. I hope we can use this wonderful new resource at our church soon.

Thanks,  
Mary Helen Burroughs



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#### CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR

**Sunday, August 25** (Daily Readings: Psalm 67, 150, 2 Sam. 24:1-2, 10-25, Gal. 3:23-4:7, John 8:12-20)

8:15 a.m. Youth Sunday, Preparation for Worship  
9:30 a.m. Worship, Youth Sunday  
Catch Up Sunday  
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Cathie Smith  
(child care provided for infants up to 5 years of age)  
10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour: Families P – SL

**Monday, August 26** (Daily Readings: Psalm 57, 145, 1 Kings 1:{1-4}, 5-31, Acts 26:1-23, Mark 13:14-27)

7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 215 Meeting

**Tuesday, August 27** (Daily Readings: Psalm 54, 146, 1 Kings 1:32-2:4, {5-46a}, 46b, Acts 26:24-27:8, Mark 13:28-37)

10:00 a.m. Quilters Meeting  
5:00 p.m. Soccer Shots  
7:00 p.m. Deacons and Stephen Ministers Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Mission Committee

**Wednesday, August 28** (Daily Readings: Psalm 65, 147:1-11, 1 Kings 3:1-15, Acts 27:9-26, Mark 14:1-11)

6:30 p.m. Preschool Open House  
7:00 p.m. Macdonald Pipers Band Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

**Thursday, August 29** (Daily Readings: Psalm 143, 147:12-20, 1 Kings 3:16-28, Acts 27:27-44, Mark 14:12-26)

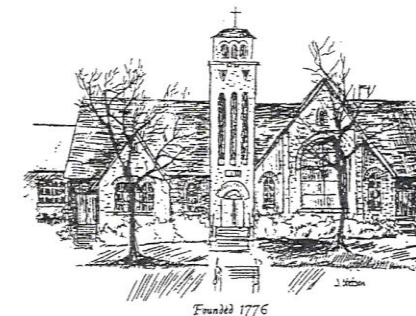
5:00 p.m. Kinder Karate  
6:30 p.m. Preschool Open House Group  
7:30 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting

**Friday, August 30** (Daily Readings: Psalm 88, 148, 1 Kings 5:1-6:1, 7, Acts 28:1-16, Mark 14:27-42)

**Saturday, August 31** (Daily Readings: Psalm 122, 149, 1 Kings 7:51-8:21, Acts 28:17-31, Mark 14:43-52)

**Sunday, September 1** (Daily Readings: Psalm 108, 150, 1 Kings 8:22-30, {31-40}, 1 Tim. 4:7b-16, John 8:47-59)

9:30 a.m. Worship,  
Communion Sunday – Team 2  
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Cathie Smith  
10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour: Families SM – Z  
7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Committee Meeting



**Bethel Presbyterian Church**  
Worship for the Lord's Day  
August 25, 2019  
9:30 A.M.

*"Changed by Christ So We Can Change the World"*

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

**PRELUDE** Variations on: "Our Children, Lord, in Faith and Prayer"

**THE RINGING OF THE BELL**

**INTRODUCTION TO YOUTH SUNDAY**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\* SONG OF PRAISE**  
Insert: "Blessed Be Your Name"

**\* CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**All:** Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

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

**\* SONG OF GRACE**  
Insert: "Mighty to Save"

**SCRIPTURE** Colossians 3:12-16

**SERMON** "Youth Group Reflections"

**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.