

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Please sign the friendship pad (the blue 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 "Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God" Carl F. Mueller

* DOXOLOGY

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: God of life and life anew, we bring our offerings, our symbols of faith and our hearts to you this day. We seek your renewing Spirit so that we can make new beginnings with openness and trust. Help us to be open to new ways of seeing, to new avenues of acting, to a renewal of our relationships so that we can join you in making all things new. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

* SONG FOR SENDING

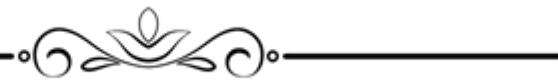
Hymn #726: "Will You Come and Follow Me"

* BLESSING

* CHORAL RESPONSE

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

*** POSTLUDE** "How Firm a Foundation"



COLLEGE STUDENT CARE PACKAGES: Our Deacons will once again be sending our church college students special "Care Packages" to let them know we care and to wish them good luck on their finals. We need your help in updating and confirming addresses for all our current college students. Please let us know the student's name, the college they are attending and their current address. Contact Kathy in the church office at 412/835-0405 or email this information to Pat Brown at patqbrown4@gmail.com as soon as possible. Thank you for your help.

Important

WORSHIP NOTES



A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING HAS BEEN SCHEDULED for today following worship. The agenda includes receiving the 2019 Annual Report, approving Pastor's Terms of Call, receiving the 2020 Budget and any other business properly coming before the congregation.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY to the Little family on the loss of Whitten. Please keep his family and friends in your prayers at this most difficult time. Because Whitten's family has scheduled a private memorial service in Myrtle Beach, we will take some time during our worship service next Sunday to remember and honor his life and celebrate the resurrection he now knows.

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 1st, Team 4, Angel Jackson.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

LITURGISTS: April Lucidore; Feb. 23rd Alexis Kiesling

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS: Families A & B; Feb. 23rd Families C & D

WORSHIP WELCOME TEAM: Team 4: Cindy Fair, Mary Pursglove, Dottie Frazier*, Nancy Carr*; Feb. 23rd - Team 5: Dave Long, Carl Parise, Russ Lautenschlager, Marilyn* & Dan* Beckstrom (*Chairlift)

SANCTUARY COORDINATORS: Greg Smith; Feb. 23rd Pam Decker

GRAPHICS TEAM: Courtney Kiesling; Feb. 23rd Larry Jay

SOUND BOARD: Gail Anderson; Feb. 23rd Frank Jackson

CHANCEL FLOWERS:

In Loving Memory of my husband Cliff, given by Cindy Fair.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Rob Backstrom, Hank Barr, Ansley Basso (Virgin), Betty Bauer, Gary Bittner, Carl Bonanni, Marilou Booth, Marina Bowser, Art Brandenburg, Michele Cobb, Phyllis Criss, Marilyn DeHuff, Pete Edwards, Ginny Flynn, Bill Franciscus (Marilyn DeHuff's son), Bettyjean Gamble, Steve Kloc, Dick Kraft, Pat Kraft, Carol MacDonald, Carol McDonald, Jack Miller, Emily Parise, Dave Rawlings, Pam Rawlings, Joan Sherbak, Sally Sinatra, Jean Smith, Lynne Smith (Pastor Jim's wife), Anne Unger (Pastor Cathie's sister), Sheila and Rich Vandevander, Edith Wallace, Russell York

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.bothelpresby.org/sermons

Congregation Life Weekly Newsletter February 16, 2020

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. They need jars of spaghetti sauce, ketchup, mustard, salad dressing and boxes of cereal.

TAX RELIEF FOR YOUR GIVING TO OUR CHURCH!

At the age of 72, the IRS requires you to withdraw a certain amount from your IRA and pay ordinary income tax on it. This is called a required minimum distribution or "RMD". A portion of this required withdrawal can be transferred directly from these accounts by your financial advisor to our church and be part of your pledged giving or a special additional gift. This credit will avoid taxes on these monies and perhaps lower one's overall tax rate. Check with your financial advisor for details.

2020 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 2020 is **\$34.79 for each confirmed member** of the congregation, totaling more than **\$8,800**. You can do your part and pay the \$34.79 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




Chancel Flower Vases


For the last twenty years, our Sunday flower vases were provided by the Herman J. Heyl Florist. Sadly, Mr. Heyl passed away in July of 2019 and the Heyl Florist Shops closed in January of 2020.


I'm delighted to have Terry Unger of Flowers by Terry in Caste Village provide us with beautiful vases.


To all the sponsors of Sunday Chancel Vases, our sincere thank you. To anyone wishing to sponsor flowers, please contact Carol MacDonald.



Fat Tuesday Pancake Dinner

 Tuesday, February 25th

 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

 Fellowship Hall at Bethel Presbyterian Church
2999 Bethel Church Road, Bethel Park

Dinner includes: 3 pancakes, 2 pieces of sausage, applesauce, juice, milk and coffee

Price is **ONLY \$8.00** each per adult.
Price for children 5 and under and seniors 60 and older is **ONLY \$5.00!**

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 412-835-0405.

PROCEEDS BENEFIT YOUTH PROGRAMS AT BPC

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CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR

Sunday, February 16 (Daily Readings: Psalm 19; 150; Gen. 29:20-35; 1 Tim. 3:14-4:10; Mark 10:23-31)

9:30 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
10:30 a.m. Worship
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Cathie Smith
11:30 a.m. Annual Congregational Meeting
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour: Families A & B
11:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
12:00 p.m. Youth Group
1:00 p.m. Higher Voice Recital
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Leaders Meeting
7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Parent Meeting

Monday, February 17 (Daily Readings: Psalm 135; 145; Gen. 30:1-24; 1 John 1:1-10; John 9:1-17)

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

Tuesday, February 18 (Daily Readings: Psalm 123; 146; Gen. 31:1-24; 1 John 2:1-11; John 9:18-41)

10:00 a.m. Quilters Meeting
5:00 p.m. Soccer Shots
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Wednesday, February 19 (Daily Readings: Psalm 15; 147:1-11; Gen. 31:25-50; 1 John 2:12-17; John 10:1-18)

Bethel Light Mailing
10:00 a.m. Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Macdonald Pipers Band Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursday, February 20 (Daily Readings: Psalm 36; 147:12-20; Gen. 32:3-21; 1 John 2:18-29; John 10:19-30)

4:00 p.m. Kinder Karate
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 21 (Daily Readings: Psalm 130; 148; Gen. 32:22-33:17; 1 John 3:1-10; John 10:31-42)

Saturday, February 22 (Daily Readings: Psalm 56; 149; Gen. 35:1-20; 1 John 3:11-18; John 11:1-16)

Sunday, February 23 (Daily Readings: Psalm 103; 150; Mal. 4:1-6; 2 Cor. 3:7-18; Luke 9:18-27)

9:30 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
10:30 a.m. Worship, Blanket Sunday
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Cathie Smith
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour: Families C & D
12:00 p.m. Youth Group
2:00 p.m. Tartan Day Meeting



Bethel Presbyterian Church
Worship for the Lord's Day
February 16, 2020
10:30 A.M.

"Changed by Christ So We Can Change the World"

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

PRELUDE "Overture to Worship"

RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

*** SONG OF ADORATION**
Hymn #39: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

*** CALL TO HUMILITY**

*** 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 FORGIVENESS**

*** SONG OF PRAISE**
Insert: "Every Promise"

(Children may come forward as we sing the last verse for their special time.)

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children may return to their seats.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Matthew 22:34-40

ANTHEM "I'll Sing the Praise of Jesus" Craig Courtney

SCRIPTURE Luke 10:38-42

SERMON "Life in Balance: Worship and Service"

*** SONG OF RESPONSE**
Hymn #203: "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"