

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Scout: For the beauty of your world, for the wonder of your love we give you thanks this day, O Lord. For the scouting ministry of this church, for the dedication of leaders, the commitment of young men and women and the blessings they receive and give through scouting, we give thanks to you, O Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Scout: Because we have failed in the trust others placed in us, we pray for forgiveness and for renewal to be trustworthy. For forgiveness when we saw the need to help and passed that need by, when we failed to ask if we could be helpful to a friend or a stranger. Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Scout: For the spirit to be friendly to all people and even to those who are unfriendly to us. For the gift of courtesy to all people, but especially to the elderly, the disabled and little children. For a heart that rejoices in being kind to people, to animals and to the earth on which we live. Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Scout: For the will to discipline ourselves to be obedient to the will of our God and not to our selfish desires. For a cheerful spirit to see us through disappointing events in our lives, for a faith that believes God will bring some good even from events that cause us pain and sadness. Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Scout: For an appreciation that all that we have is the gift of our gracious God, for a mind and a heart that will be thrifty in managing the resources God has entrusted to our care. For the courage not to be afraid of doing what is right and to be brave in working for justice. For the will to work to keep clean our minds, our hearts and our land. Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Scout: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all the people and all the needs we bring before you in our prayers, trusting in your mercy, through our Lord, Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray saying,

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 *"Sing the Song of Praise"* Eugene Butler
Chancel Choir

* DOXOLOGY

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: All that we have, and all that we are, are a gift from you, O Lord. Accept now these gifts we bring to you. Bless them and use them and bless and use us, too, for the work of your Kingdom. Amen.

* SONG FOR SENDING

Hymn #547: *"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"*

* BENEDICTION

* RETIRING OF THE COLORS

* CHORAL RESPONSE

* RECESSIONAL

* **POSTLUDE** *"How Can I Keep from Singing"*

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, March 1st, Team 4, Angel Jackson.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

LITURGISTS: Stacey Lucidore; Feb. 16th Alexis Kiesling

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS: Families SM - Z; Feb. 16th Families A & B

WORSHIP WELCOME TEAM: Team 3: Pat Kaczmarek, Sub Tom Hultz, Ted Keenan, Ruth Stotesbery*; Feb. 16th - Team 4: Cindy Fair, Mary Pursglove, Brooke Cashman, Dottie Frazier*, Nancy Carr* (*Chairlift)

SANCTUARY COORDINATORS: Carol MacDonald; Feb. 16th Greg Smith

GRAPHICS TEAM: Robin Macherey; Feb. 16th Courtney Kiesling

SOUND BOARD: Steve Kloc; Feb. 16th Gail Anderson

CHANCEL FLOWERS:

In Loving Memory of my husband Robert Dare & son Donald Alan Dare, given by Mabel Dare.

In Honor of my son David Robert Dare, granddaughters Brittany and Shannon Dare and Loved Ones, given by Mabel Dare.

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, Whitten Little, Carol MacDonald, Carol McDonald, 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



Congregation Life Weekly Newsletter February 9, 2020

Reminder!

SPRING BETHEL LIGHT ARTICLES are due to Kathy Young by tomorrow, February 10th. (The Spring Bethel Light covers March, April and May.)

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.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will resume on February 12th, 10:00 a.m., in the McMillan Room. Please join us as Mary Helen Burroughs and Beth Mundsinger lead us on a journey through the Gospel according to Mark.

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

Thank You 

THE YOUTH WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A HUGE THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED IN OUR "SOUPERBOWL" SUNDAY: Thanks to your generosity, we were able to make contributions to both SHIM and the BPC Youth Group. Thanks for your continued support!

HOLIDAY-A-FAIR EVALUATION MEETING: Anyone who was involved with the bazaar this past year is invited to attend this meeting, whether you chaired a part of it, worked at it or whether you just attended and would like to give us feedback on what we did well, what we need to improve on or if you have some new ideas to help continue to make this a success. The meeting is scheduled for today at 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., in the McMillan Room.

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.

BOOK CLUB: We will be meeting on Friday evenings, February 21st and 28th and March 6th, 20th and 27th, at Panera in South Park Shops, 7:00 p.m. The book is *Joshua, A Parable for Today*, by Joseph F. Girzone. (I ordered mine from Discoverbooks.com.) Any questions, please contact Sue or Don DeFurio.



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.

CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR

Sunday, February 9 (Daily Readings: Psalm 103; 150; Gen. 24:50-67; 2 Tim. 2:14-21; Mark 10:13-22)

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
- 10:30 a.m. Worship, Scout Sunday
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Cathie Smith
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour: Families SM – Z
- 11:45 a.m. Holiday-A-Fair Evaluation Meeting
- 3:00 p.m. All Church Skating at South Park

Monday, February 10 (Daily Readings: Psalm 5; 145; Gen. 25:19-34; Heb. 13:1-16; John 7:37-52)

Bethel Light Articles Due

- 11:00 a.m. Staff Schedule and Facilities Coordination Meeting
- 11:15 a.m. Child Care - Stretch and Grow
- 5:45 p.m. Girl Scout Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Mary & Martha Circle
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 215 Meeting

Tuesday, February 11 (Daily Readings: Psalm 42; 146; Gen. 26:1-6, 12-33; Heb. 13:17-25; John 7:53-8:11)

- 10:00 a.m. Quilters Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. Soccer Shots
- 7:00 p.m. Coin Club Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Finance Meeting
- 7:30 p.m. PW Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 12 (Daily Readings: Psalm 89:1-18; 147:1-11; Gen. 27:1-29; Rom. 12:1-8; John 8:12-20)

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

Thursday, February 13 (Daily Readings: Psalm 97; 147:12-20; Gen. 27:30-45; Rom. 12:9-21; John 8:21-32)

- 1:00 p.m. Pittsburgh Presbytery Meeting
- 4:00 p.m. Kinder Karate
- 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 14 (Daily Readings: Psalm 51; 148; Gen. 27:46-28:4, 10-22; Rom. 13:1-14; John 8:33-47)

- 9:00 a.m. TEIS Playgroup
- 6:00 p.m. Higher Voice Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Parents' Night Out

Saturday, February 15 (Daily Readings: Psalm 104; 149; Gen. 29:1-20; Rom. 14:1-23; John 8:47-59)

- 8:00 a.m. Boy Scouts - Cleaning of Cupboard
- 2:30 p.m. Higher Voice Rehearsal

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



Bethel Presbyterian Church
Worship for the Lord's Day
Scout Sunday
February 9, 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 "Beautiful One" Arr. Bill Ingram
 Bell Choir

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS, SCOUT OATHS AND PROMISES

*** THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

*** SONG OF ADORATION**
 Hymn #519: "You Are My Strength When I Am Weak" (Two Times)

*** CALL TO CONFESSION**

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

All: Almighty God, who made light to shine in the darkness, shine now in our hearts. We confess that we have sinned and have not walked in your light. Forgive us, we pray, and restore us to the way of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*** ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

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

SCRIPTURE Ecclesiastes 3:1-15

ANTHEM "How Majestic Is Your Name" Arr. Derek K. Hakes
 Bell Choir

SCRIPTURE Deuteronomy 5:12-15

SERMON "Life in Balance: Work and Play"

*** SONG OF RESPONSE**
 Hymn #700: "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

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.

MINUTE FOR MISSION - PWPP

MINUTE FOR MISSION - SCOUTING MINISTRY

SCOUTING RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

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