

NEW BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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December 6, 2020
2nd Sunday of Advent



Mission Statement: To know Christ and Make Christ known

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME
WELCOME IN CHRIST'S NAME

OPENING PRAYER
LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Linda Smith, Geoffrey Smith, and Lindsey Kardatzke

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Worship is a special time where people seek to meet God and have their lives changed. To prepare your heart and life to be changed for God's glory, we invite you to a time of reflective prayer and reverent silence seeking the Holy Spirit in your personal time of worship.

PRELUDE
CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

"EMMANUEL"
Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
His name is called Emmanuel.
God with us, revealed in us.
His name is called Emmanuel.

CALL TO WORSHIP
**A voice calls in the wilderness,
"Prepare the way of the Lord; make God's way clear.
Lift up every valley; lower every mountain.
For the glory of the Lord shall be revealed."**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION
LORD'S PRAYER

GLORIA PATRI **"GLORY BE TO THE FATHER"**
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION
PRAYER OF CONFESSION
**Faithful God, we confess that we have not led lives of holiness.
We suffer from impatience, apathy, and greed; we have not been at peace. We repent of these offenses and turn to you in love. Forgive our iniquity and pardon our sins, that we may walk in righteousness to the glory of your name. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC Denise Torbett, Colby Torbett, Mary Lynn Barnes, and Maria Barnes

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE **Psalm 85: 8-13; 2 Peter 3: 8-15a**

SERMON **"Patience and Peace"** PASTOR SCOTT WISE

PRAYER

GO IN GOD'S NAME

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION **"LET'S WORSHIP AND ADORE HIM"**

Let's worship and adore Him,
Let's worship and adore Him,
Let's worship and adore Him,
Christ the Lord.
For He alone is worthy,
For He alone is worthy,
For He alone is worthy,
Christ the Lord.

WELCOME TO NEW BETHEL
December 6, 2020 – December 13, 2020

SPECIAL PRAYER FOR:

Willene Spence	(Health, Former Minister's Wife)
Martha Crussell	(Declining Health, Church Member)
Chuck Bowman	(Serious Illness, Friend of the McPeaks)
June Fields	(Cancer, Jim Wright's Mom)
Valerie Casady	(Cancer, Jennifer Procopio's Aunt)
John Landers, II (John, John)	(Medical & Mental Health, Son of Kevyn Torbett)
Robert Pierce	(General Health Condition, Church Member)
Matt Amick	Paralysis After Recent Surgery, Neighbor of Rodney Smith)
Elaine Profit	(Recent Cancer Surgery, Friend of Several Church Members)
Jimmy Joe Amick	(Bladder Cancer, Friend of Rodney Smith)
Emely Runion.	The now 3-year-old who had heart surgery in the spring, recently had another major surgery which has enabled her to sit up. Since she has other ongoing medical issues, please continue to pray for her healing and strength for her family.
Sarah Brown	(Tumor, Friend of Becky Wise)

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Dean Torbett	December 10	Janie Torbett	December 11
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PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES, ESPECIALLY THOSE FROM OUR AREA:

COL. Michael Harvey (Army)
STAFF SGT David Roberts (Air Force)
Sailor Nicholas Shane Everding (Navy)

PRAY FOR THE WORK OF CHRIST'S CHURCH:

Holston Presbytery and their work for the larger church.
This week: First Presbyterian Church, Greeneville, TN 37743
Pastor Scott Wise and the Session as they lead our church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are delighted that you are worshiping with us today and pray that your life will be enriched by the power of the Holy Spirit.

UPCOMING CHURCH ACTIVITIES: We will have online-only worship services on Sunday mornings at 11:00 AM. You can find a link to the online broadcast and the church bulletin on the church website at www.newbethelpres.org.

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS: With the increase in Covid-19 cases in our area, the session has voted to suspend in-person worship services at New Bethel until January 2021 at which time the session will review the conditions for live services. Meanwhile please join us online each Sunday morning for worship.

PINEY FLATS' CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING: The annual lighting of the Piney Flats' Christmas tree will be today at 6:00 p.m. There will be hot chocolate and cookies from 5:00-6:00 p.m.

ZOOM CONGREGATION MEETING: Our next congregation meeting will be Wednesday, December 9th at 7:00 p.m. Join us for a few minutes of fellowship if you can.

SESSION MEETING: Our session will meet on Sunday, December 20th at 6:00 p.m. This will again be a Zoom meeting and session members will receive invitations by email a few days prior to the meeting.

FYI: The new "Our Daily Bread" (December – January – February) is now available at the church in the narthex.

SCHOOL SUPPLY AND PERSONAL HYGIENE PANTRY: We accept donations throughout the year of notebooks, paper, pencils, pens, crayons, pencil sharpeners, erasers, travel size soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, feminine hygiene products or any other items students would need to be able to participate in class.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY: We accept donations of tuna, salmon, beef stew, chili, meaty soups, luncheon meat, Vienna sausage, peanut butter, pastas, canned fruit, peas, pudding cups. Items can be brought at any time. Monetary donations can be made instead of food. Make checks to New Bethel with "Community Food Pantry Donations" noted.

WEEKLY CHURCH FINANCIALS: Please give as you are able. Your gifts and offerings can be mailed to the church at 592 New Bethel Road, Piney Flats, TN 37686. A summary of our current standing against the 2020 budget is shown below:

WEEKLY BUDGETARY NEEDS.....	\$ 1,596
NOVEMBER 29 OFFERINGS.....	\$ 587
DIFFERENCE.....	-\$ 1,009
OTHER GIVING.....	\$ 97
YEAR-TO-DATE.....	-\$10,726