

NEW BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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January 2, 2022

Second Sunday of Christmas



Mission Statement: To know Christ and make Christ known

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME IN CHRIST'S NAME

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

"TAKE MY LIFE"

Take my life, and let it be consecrated Lord, to Thee.

Take my moments and my days;

Let them flow in ceaseless praise. Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Word became flesh and lived among us.

And we have seen his glory.

The true light that enlightens everyone has come into the world.

Glory to God who has blessed us in Christ. Glory to God forever.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

*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

Holy God, we confess that we are a distracted people and forgetful of your love. We make selfish choices, hurt each other, and perpetuate injustice in your world. We have sinned against you and are deeply sorry and repent of our disregard of you, each other, and your creation. By the power of your Spirit, forgive, restore, and strengthen us to live in your light and walk in your truth; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*OPENING HYMN #293

“THIS IS MY FATHER’S WORLD”

1. This is my Father’s world, And to my listening ears All nature sings, and round me rings The music of the spheres. This is my Father’s world: I rest me in the thought Of rocks, and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.
2. This is my Father’s world: Oh, let me ne’er forget That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet. This is my Father’s world: The battle is not done; Jesus who died shall be satisfied, And earth and heaven be one.

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

John 1: 1-18

SERMON

“HE MADE HIS HOME WITH US”

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PRAYER

*APOSTLES’ CREED

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 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.

*RESPONSIVE HYMN #466 **“O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING”**

1. O for a thousand tongues to sing My dear Redeemer’s praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of his grace!
2. Jesus, the name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease; ‘Tis music in the sinner’s ears, ‘Tis life, and health, and peace.
3. Christ breaks the power of reigning sin, And sets the prisoner free; Christ’s blood can make The sinful clean, Christ’s blood availed for me.
4. My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim, To spread through all the earth abroad The honors of Thy name.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION **“GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN”**

God be with you till we meet again;
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a shepherd’s care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.

*Indicates that those who are able may stand. The Call to Worship and the Prayer of Confession are from the Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion.

WELCOME TO NEW BETHEL
January 2, 2022 – January 9, 2022
9:45 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

SPECIAL PRAYER FOR:

Willene Spence	(Health, Former Minister's Wife)
Martha Crussell	(Declining Health, Church Member)
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 Profitt	(Recent Cancer Surgery, Friend of Several Church Members)
Jimmy Joe Amick	(Bladder Cancer, Friend of Rodney Smith)
Emely Runion (About 4)	(After several surgeries and with health issues since her birth, she is doing better and now able to sit up. Prayers for her continued progress and for her parents as they take care of her)
Janie Johnson	(Loss of husband Curt to liver cancer on September 13th, cousin of S. Leonard)
Kassie Smith	(Recent loss of son, Church Member)
Deborah Reagan Blizzard	(In the hospital suffering from COVID-19. She is young but not doing well. Requested by Sherry Blizzard.)
Teresa King	(Undergoing cancer treatment)
Wayne Timberlake	(Major surgery on his colon and liver on April 1 st . Friend of Rodney Smith)
Harold Barnes	(Back at the VA, Church Member)
Garrett Workman (age 27)	(Dealing with serious liver disease, medicine's helping. Friend of S. Leonard)
Doug Huff	(Recovering from stroke suffered August 15 th ; friend of several.)
Holston Presbytery	(As searches are underway to fill several positions. Rich Fifield, Executive Presbyter and Stated Clerk, and Kim Fifield, Treasurer, are retiring at the end of the year. Jim Austin, Director of Holston Presbytery Camp and Retreat Center, leaving at end of year)
Mary Cross	(Was in the hospital at Franklin Woods, is now at home, Denise Torbett's mother)

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Matthew Wright January 5

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: Covenant Presbyterian Church, Johnson City, TN 37604
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 continue to have in person worship services on Sunday mornings at 11:00 a.m. and live streaming broadcast online. You can find a link to the online broadcast and the church bulletin on the church website at www.newbethelpres.org.

LAST WEEK'S SPECIAL DISASTER OFFERING: Following last week's special offering, \$1,125 has been received and sent to Samaritan's Purse Disaster Relief Fund to be used to assist communities in the path of recent tornadoes in Kentucky and surrounding states. Thank you to all who have donated to this special relief effort.

FIVE CENTS A MEAL OFFERING: The Five Cents a Meal Offering will be received today. This special offering is collected quarterly and goes to support hunger local and around the world. Our special collection bucket is in the Narthex.

INSTALLATION AND ORDINATION: The Ordination and Installation of officers will be during our Sunday morning service next Sunday, January 9th. Byron Barnes will be ordained and installed, and Mary Lynn Barnes will be installed.

SESSION MEETING: The Session will meet next Sunday, January 9th at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. We will be using Zoom as well for those unable to attend in person.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY: At this time, we are no longer accepting canned food items for our food pantry because it is felt that we can help feed the hungry more efficiently by making monetary donations to support our local food pantry which is located at Edgefield United Methodist Church. You are encouraged to be a part of this important ministry by making your checks to **New Bethel Church** with "**Community Food Pantry Donation**" on the memo line.

WEEKLY CHURCH FINANCIALS: Please give as you are able. Your gifts and offerings can also 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.....	\$1,050
DECEMBER 26TH OFFERINGS.....	\$ 947
DIFFERENCE	\$. -103
OTHER GIVING.....	\$ 925
YEAR-TO-DATE.....	\$7,567