

**NEW BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

PHONE 423-538-8688

Second Sunday of Easter

April 16, 2023



*Mission Statement: To know Christ and make Christ known*

**ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

WELCOME IN CHRIST'S NAME

LITURGY AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARY DOBROVOLC

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

**"OPEN OUR EYES LORD"**

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,  
To reach out and touch him and say that we love him.

Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen  
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

Blessed be the God of our Savior, Jesus Christ!

**God has given us a new birth in the living hope of the resurrection.**

God has given us an inheritance that is imperishable and unfading.

**In this we rejoice, even when we suffer trials.**

For although we have not seen Jesus, we love him;  
and although we have not seen him, we believe in him.

**For the outcome of our faith is the salvation of our souls.**

\*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 (In Unison)

**God, you have made known to us the ways of life. Yet, too often, we put other things above you and turn away from the ways of life and toward the ways of death. Forgive us and guide us back into your presence, that we may know the fullness of joy. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*OPENING HYMN #322                   **“SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD”**  
(blue hymnal)

1. Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me;  
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.  
Make me, mold me, Fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

KATIE WRIGHT

**PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

SPECIAL MUSIC

KATIE WRIGHT

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

**1 CORINTHIANS 11: 23-34**

SERMON

**“SACRAMENTUM”**

DR. ANGUS SHAW

PRAYER

COMMUNION

\*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 #299**  
(red hymnal)

**“HE LIVES”**

1. I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today;  
I know that He is living, whatever men may say;  
I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer,  
And just the time I need Him He's always near.

(Refrain)

He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!  
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.  
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!  
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.

2. In all the world around me I see His loving care,  
And though my heart grows weary I never will despair;  
I know that He is leading through all the stormy blast,  
The day of His appearing will come at last.

(Refrain)

3. Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing  
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!  
The Hope of all who seek Him, the Help of all who find,  
None other is so loving, so good and kind.

(Refrain)

**\*GO IN GOD'S NAME**

**\*CHARGE AND 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**  
**April 16, 2023 – April 23, 2023**

**9:45 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

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**SPECIAL PRAYER FOR:**

Willene Spence	(Health, Former Minister's Wife)
Valerie Casady	(Cancer, Jennifer Procopio's Aunt)
John Landers, II (John John)	(Medical & Mental Health, Son of Kevyn Torbett)
Matt Amick	(Much improvement of paralysis, but still a long way to go—neighbor of Rodney Smith)
Teresa King	(Undergoing cancer treatment)
Harold Barnes	(Continued improvement in health, Church Member)
Deborah Kinsler	(Recovering from cancer)
Pam King	(Prayers for complete healing and recovery from stroke, Church Member)
Tommy Forrester	(Brain Cancer, friend of Mary Lynn Barnes)
Paige Phifer	(Undergoing cancer treatment, daughter of Dickie and Marcia)
AJ Torbett	(Shoulder surgery, grandson of Dickie and Marcia Torbett)
Judy Sweeney	(Heart procedure)
Phyllis Painter	(Pain in fractured pelvic bone due to fall in December)
Jimmy Joe Amick	(Bladder cancer has spread to lungs, friend of Rodney Smith)
Jerry Graham	(Blockage that could cause a stroke, Katie's friend's Dad)

**PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS**

Hugh Byrd April 16                      Rodney Smith April 17                      Eddie Ramsey April 19

**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, Elizabethton, TN 37643  
The Session as they lead our church

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We are delighted that you are worshipping 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](http://www.newbethelpres.org).

**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHIES:** The New Bethel Church family extends its deepest Christian sympathies to the family of Kassie Smith who passed away on Tuesday, April 11, 2023. Although Kassie and Rodney Smith were residents of Pikeville, Kentucky, they visited New Bethel frequently and had many friends here. Kassie's graveside service and burial took place Saturday at New Bethel Presbyterian Church Cemetery with Dr. Angus Shaw officiating.

**PULPIT SUPPLY:** Today we welcome Dr. Angus Shaw back to the pulpit. He will be with us again next Sunday. Dr. Shaw will also speak the last three Sundays in May. Scott Wise will fill the pulpit on April 30<sup>th</sup> and May 7<sup>th</sup>. If you have recommendations for speakers in June or July, please let one of the session members know.

**SESSION MEETING:** The session will meet today at 6:30 p.m.

### **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN:**

Our next women's meeting will be on April 19, at 2:00 p.m. Please plan to attend if you are able. All women are welcome. Feel free to bring a friend.

**SEW HAPPY QUILTERS:** The Sew Happy Quilters of Edgefield UMC have made 1950 heavy duty bedrolls in the last 7 years to provide to the homeless folks in upper East Tennessee. If you have any old quilts, blankets, flat sheets, fabric or thread that they could use in this ministry it would be appreciated. Please put it in the yellow room.

**NEW BETHEL T-SHIRTS:** T-shirts featuring our new logo are still available for purchase. There is a sample hanging in the narthex and sizes small through 3X are available. They are \$20 and can be purchased from Byron Barnes. All proceeds go to New Bethel.

**COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY:** Your monetary donations to feed the hungry are appreciated! These donations go to support our local food pantry which is located at Edgefield United Methodist Church. You are encouraged to continue to be a part of this important ministry by making your checks to **New Bethel Presbyterian 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 2023 budget is shown below:

This Week's Budgetary Needs-----	\$ 1,165
April 9th Offering-----	\$ 1,335
Difference-----	\$ 170
Other Giving-----	\$ 20
Year to Date-----	\$ 2