

NEW BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost
October 22, 2023



Mission Statement: To know Christ and make Christ known

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME IN CHRIST'S NAME

LITURGY AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LARRY SMITH

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

MUSIC BY MARCIA MCGRATH

*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)

Sing to the Lord and bless God's name.

Tell of God's saving power from day to day.

Worship the Lord in holy splendor.

Tremble before God, all the earth.

*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)

What a debt we owe to you, O God. You have given us all things in Christ and yet we withhold from you the honor and glory that are yours. Instead, we pay tribute to empire, plot to entrap the innocent, mock your truth with empty praise, and put your patience to the test. Forgive us, O God, and by your grace restore in us the image of your face; through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #467
(Blue Hymnal)

“HOW GREAT THOU ART”
(verses 1, 3 and 4)

1. O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder Consider
all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I
hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed;
(Refrain)
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my
Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

3. And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin;
(Refrain)

4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!
(Refrain)

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

MARY LYNN BARNES

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC

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. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

1 JOHN 2: 3-11

SERMON

“GOD, WHAT DO YOU EXPECT?”

DR. ANGUS SHAW

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 #564 "LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER"**
(Red Hymnal) (all verses)

1. Let us break bread together on our knees;
Let us break bread together on our knees;
(Refrain)
When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.
2. Let us drink wine together on our knees;
Let us drink wine together on our knees;
(Refrain)
3. Let us praise God together on our knees;
Let us praise God together on our knees;
(Refrain)

***GO IN GOD'S NAME**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

"MAY THE LORD, MIGHTY GOD"

May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever;
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see God's face, full of grace forever;
May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.

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

WELCOME TO NEW BETHEL
October 22, 2023 – October 29, 2023

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

SPECIAL PRAYER FOR:

Willene Spence-----health, former minister's wife
Valerie Casady-----cancer, Jennifer Procopio's aunt
John Landers, II (John John)-----medical and mental health, son of Kevyn Torbett
Matt Amick-----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
Phyllis Painter-----pain in fractured pelvic bone due to fall in December
Jerry Graham-----blockage that could cause a stroke, Katie's friend
Jimmy Joe Amick-----previous bladder cancer has returned in several
areas of his body, friend of Rodney Smith
Bill Snapp-----out of the hospital and recuperating at home
Billy Bagnall-----brain tumor; 20 years old, friend of Rodney Smith
Janie Torbett-----recuperating at home after shoulder surgery
Dean Torbett-----scheduling heart valve surgery
Larry Smith-----shoulder surgery
Don King-----surgery on broken leg

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Dickie Jones October 23 Jennifer Procopio October 25 Larry Smith October 26

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: Rock Creek Presbyterian, Erwin, TN 37650
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.

TODAY'S SPEAKER: We are happy to welcome Dr. Shaw back to New Bethel today. Dr. Shaw will be with us again next week. On November 5th, Scott Fellows will be back with us along with his A Capella group called A Compelling for a special service in word and song.

PASTOR SEARCH: Be in prayer for our Presbytery, the Committee on Ministry, our Session, and our Congregation as we continue our search for a part-time pastor.

THANK OFFERING: The Thank Offering will be received next Sunday, October 29th. This offering is one of Presbyterian Women's two offerings. Received in the fall each year, it gives congregations a tangible way to express their gratitude for the special blessings in their lives. Thank Offering grants range from \$5,000 to \$50,000 with at least 40 percent of the offering funding health ministries. For more information about this special offering, see the insert in your bulletin.

SNACKS FOR TEACHERS: The October project of Presbyterian Women is to collect snacks for the teachers at Sullivan East for Nov and Dec. Bring pre-packaged, individual snacks or bottled water and leave on the small table in the narthex. We will collect them through Sun, Oct 29.

VETERANS LUNCHEON: Piney Flats Ruritan Club is sponsoring the 22nd Annual Piney Flats Veterans Luncheon on Saturday, November 4, at 12 Noon at Edgefield Methodist Church Christian Life Center, 745 N. Pickens Bridge Road, Piney Flats. This event is to recognize and honor those who have served in our U.S. Armed Forces. All Veterans and their spouse or their guest are invited. RSVP by Friday, October 27th by sending an email to janrweaver@hotmail.com or call or text Jan at 423-416-1197.

HARVEST TABLE FOOD COLLECTION: The food collection for the **Harvest Table** continues through today. Items needed for the Haven of Rest Thanksgiving boxes are: **boxed stuffing**, and **canned sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, green beans, corn and peas**. Grocery bags of food can be placed in the 2nd pew from the front of the sanctuary. Please pray about how you can participate in this ministry and be a blessing to those in need!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: A Called Meeting of the New Bethel Congregation will be held immediately following today's service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect an Elder Nominating Committee. Jim Wright, Sherry Brademeyer, Sandra Leonard, Kevyn Torbett, and Larry Smith have volunteered to serve on this committee if elected. Nominations can be taken from the congregation as well.

CLERK OF SESSION NEEDED: New Bethel is in need of a Clerk of Session. Please be in prayer as this most important position must be filled as soon as possible. The clerk must be an elder, but not necessarily an active one. If you or someone you know would like to take on this role, let any session member know.

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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:

Weekly Budget Needs	\$1,165
October 15 th offering	\$1,435
Difference	\$ 270
Other Giving	\$ 15
Year to Date	\$ 552