

NEW BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PHONE 423-538-8688
Second Sunday in Lent
February 25, 2024



Mission Statement: To know Christ and make Christ known

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME IN CHRIST'S NAME

LITURGY AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARY LYNN BARNES

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)

Christ died for our trespasses but was raised for our justification.
Thanks be to God.

*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)

Merciful God, we confess that we have not been sincere Christians. We claim to follow Jesus but have not taken his path of sacrificial love. We profess to be disciples, but we are not willing to bear the cost of discipleship. We affirm the virtue of self-denial, but we indulge our selfish desires and seek earthly gain. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for sincere repentance through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #260
(Blue Hymnal)

“A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD”
(Verses 1, 3 and 4)

1. A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing;
Our helper He amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and
power are great, And, armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal.
3. And though this world, with devils filled, Should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, We tremble not for him; His rage we
can endure, For lo! his doom is sure, One little word shall fell him.
4. That word above all earthly powers, No thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours Through Him who with us sideth;
Let goods and kindred go, This mortal life also; The body
they may kill, God’s truth abideth still, His kingdom is forever.

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

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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

PHILIPPIANS 2: 5-11 and II CORINTHIANS 8: 9

SERMON

“HIS HUMILIATION”

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 #263 “THERE IS A FOUNTAIN FILLED WITH BLOOD”**
(Red Hymnal) (Verses 1, 2, and 3)

1. There is a fountain filled with blood Drawn from Emmanuel’s veins; And sinners, plunged beneath that flood, Lose all their guilty stains.
2. The dying thief rejoiced to see That fountain in his day; And there may I, though sinful, too, Wash all my sins away,
3. Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood Shall never lose its power, ‘Til all the ransomed Church of God Be saved, to sin no more.

***GO IN GOD’S NAME.**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL 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.

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**WELCOME TO NEW BETHEL
FEBRUARY 25, 2024 – MARCH 3, 2024**

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

SPECIAL PRAYER FOR:

Matt Amick-----some improvement of paralysis - still in serious condition, neighbor of Rodney Smith
Billy Bagnell-----brain tumor; 20-year-old friend of Rodney Smith
Harold Barnes-----continued improvement in health, church member
Tommy Forrester--brain cancer, friend of Mary Lynn Barnes
Jerry Graham-----A-Fib issues, friend of Katie Wright's
Julia Kegley -----recuperating at home from two fractures in her back
John Landers, II----medical and mental health issues, son of Kevyn Torbett
Joan Mathes-----serious eye problems and other health issues, aunt of Dickie Jones (lives in Israel)
Mike McPeak-----various respiratory infections and other health issues for several months
Sally McPeak-----acute bronchitis and pneumonia since mid-December
Phyllis Painter-----eyes, shoulder and leg issues, friend of New Bethel members
Carolyn Shaw-----mobility issues, wife of Dr. Angus Shaw
Bill Snapp-----lung and shoulder issues, church member
Willene Spence-----eyes and leg issues, former minister's wife
Judy Sweeney-----heart ablation procedure at Vanderbilt on January 9th

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Jennifer Orr February 27 Matthew Ramsey February 27

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES.

PRAY FOR THE WORK OF CHRIST'S CHURCH:

Holston Presbytery and their work for the larger church
This week: Barton Springs, Presbyterian Church, Morristown, TN 37814
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.

CHANGE OF E-MAIL ADDRESS: **Janie Torbett** has a new e-mail address. Please make this change in your personal New Bethel Directory. Her new e-mail address is: **djanie1944@gmail.com**

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: **Tab Torbett** is moving to **American House** (Old Broadmore) **Room 157, 406 E. Mountain View Road, Johnson City, TN 37601** Please make this change in your personal New Bethel Directory.

TODAY'S SERVICE: We are pleased to have Dr. Angus Shaw back with us today for the last of five Sundays but he will be back for our Palm Sunday Service. Next Sunday Tom Gomola will be our speaker. Tom is the husband of Teresa Kendall and has visited with us on several occasions. Rebekah Cote will be with us on March 10th.

SESSION MEETING: The next monthly session meeting will be **March 10th** in the fellowship hall at 6:30 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: Let's help homeless women stay out of the rain! During the month of March Presbyterian Women are having an umbrella drive to benefit **The River** in Johnson City. You may bring new or gently used umbrellas and leave on the pew in the narthex. These will be taken to The River and distributed to women who need them in April. Thank you for supporting a worthy cause!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: Our PW meetings are on the **3rd Wednesday of each month at 2:00 p.m.** in the fellowship hall. We have several upcoming projects, and we look forward to your input and participation! Our next meeting is **March 20th!** Please join us!

PASTOR SEARCH: Be in prayer for our Pastor Nominating Committee as they begin their work and continue to pray for all those involved in the process as our search for a part-time pastor enters a more active phase.

CLERK OF SESSION NEEDED: New Bethel needs 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 serve our church in this way, let any session member know.

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 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 2024 budget is shown below:

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 1,310
February 18th Offering	\$ 1,936
Difference	\$ 626
Other Giving	\$ 30
Year to Date	\$ 230