

**NEW BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

PHONE 423-538-8688  
Second Sunday of Easter  
April 7, 2024



*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)

Peace be with you.

**How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity.**

Receive the Holy Spirit.

**It is like precious oil on the head, the blessing of the Lord.**

\*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)

**You have shown yourself to us, O God, by Word and Spirit, with signs and wonders, in flesh and blood, yet we still struggle to live and believe the good news of Jesus Christ. Have mercy on us; forgive us. Enter into our lives and cast out our fear so that we may come to trust in you and have life in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN #316**  
(Blue Hymnal)

**“BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD”**  
(All verses)

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew,  
That I may love what Thou dost love, And do what Thou wouldst do.
2. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Until my heart is pure,  
Until with Thee I will one will, To do and to endure.
3. Breathe on me, Breath of God, ‘Til I am wholly Thine,  
Until this earthly part of me Glows with Thy fire divine.
4. Breath on me, Breath of God, So shall I never die,  
But live with Thee the perfect life Of Thine eternity.

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

**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      **Isaiah 40: 28-31    Jude 24-25**

**SERMON**

**“BENEDICTIONS”**

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.



**WELCOME TO NEW BETHEL**  
**April 7, 2024 – April 14, 2024**

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

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**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  
Anna Ruth Lloyd---stomach cancer surgery 5 weeks ago - very serious and weak condition,  
sister-in-law of Carolyn King  
Joan Mathes-----serious eye problems and other health issues, aunt of Dickie Jones (lives in  
Israel)  
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-----recently diagnosed with double pneumonia  
Willene Spence-----eyes and leg issues, former minister's wife  
Judy Sweeney-----recuperating from recent cardio-version procedure  
Tab Torbett-----is in the VA receiving treatment for pneumonia

**PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS**

Jon White    April 7        Marion Reed    April 11        Dwight King    April 12

**PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES**

David and Julia Kegley    April 9

**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: Chuckey Presbyterian Church, Chuckey, TN 37641  
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](http://www.newbethelpres.org).

**TODAY'S SERVICE:** We are very fortunate to have Dr. Angus Shaw with us once again this morning. Leading our services next week will be Rev. Tom Gomola. Dr. Rebecca Cote returns on April 21st, and Rev. Gomola will be back with us on April 28th.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS:** **Tab Torbett**, VA Mountain Home, 809 Lamont Street, Building 162 CLC-2, Room S-154, Johnson City, TN 37684

**WOMEN'S BIRTHDAY OFFERING:** The Birthday Offering is one of Presbyterian Women's two offerings. Received in the spring each year, it gives women a tangible way to celebrate the blessings in their lives. The Birthday Offering funds up to five projects each year, in amounts of \$75,000 to \$150,000 each. You will hear about this year's grant recipients in the next 2 weeks and the Birthday Offering will be received on April 21st.

**DECORATION DAY:** We are planning to order chicken boxes again this year from KFC for Decoration Sunday lunch on May 26. Each box will have 3 chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, cole slaw and a biscuit. Cost per box is \$10 that you will pay that day. (Dessert and drinks provided at no cost.) Please let Mary Lynn know how many boxes you want by May 19, so the order can be placed that week. RSVP to 423-534-0060, call or text.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN:** Thank you for donating over 40 umbrellas in March to benefit the ladies of The River! Our next projects for April and May: In April we will be collecting baby wipes and 2.5 gallon Hefty resealable bags. In May we will be collecting band-aids (especially the large size) and resealable sandwich bags. The Hefty bags are used for diaper distribution at The River, which occurs once per month. The sandwich bags are used to make bags of personal care items for the ladies. Our Presbyterian Women and The River thank you again for your support!

**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 **Wednesday, April 17th!** Please join us!

**PASTOR SEARCH:** Please be in prayer for our Pastor Nominating Committee as they continue their work in the search for a part-time pastor.

**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
March 31st Offering	\$ 1,072
Difference	\$ -238
Other Giving	\$ 50
Year to Date	\$-1,770