NEW BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PHONE 423-538-8688 Sixth Sunday of Easter May 5, 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)

Sing to our God a new song.

God has done marvelous things!

Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Let the sea roar and all that fills it.

Let the world and its people sing together for joy!

*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)

Loving God, we have not loved you or each other with our whole hearts. Forgive us, we pray, and lead us toward wholeness, that we may be filled with your joy. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #398 "THERE'S A SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT" (Blue Hymnal) (All Verses)

 There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; There are sweet expressions on each face, And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

(Refrain)

Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly Dove, Stay right here with us, Filling us with Your love; And for these blessings We lift our hearts in praise. Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived When we shall leave this place.

2. There are blessings you cannot receive 'Till you know Him in His fullness and believe; You're the one to profit when you say, "I am going to walk with Jesus all the way."

(Refrain)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

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 PHILIPIANS 4: 1 – 9

SERMON "HELP FOR THE ANXIOUS" 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 #314

"WHAT A DAY THAT WILL BE"

(Red Hymnal)

(All verses)

 There is coming a day when no heartaches shall come, No more clouds in the sky, no more tears to dim the eye; All is peace for evermore on that happy golden shore—What a day, glorious day, that will be.

(Refrain)

What a day that will be when my Jesus I shall see, And I look upon His face--- the One who saved me by His grace; When He takes me by the hand, and leads me through the Promised Land, What a day, glorious day, that will be.

There'll be no sorrow there, no more burdens to bear,
No more sickness, no pain, no more parting over there; And forever I will be with the One who died for me--- What a day,
glorious day, that will be.
(Refrain)

*GO IN GOD'S NAME

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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.

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^{*}Indicates that those who are able may stand.

WELCOME TO NEW BETHEL May 5, 2024 – May 12, 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

Anna Ruth Lloyd----after being in the hospital for over 90 days since stomach cancer surgery, she is presently in a very serious and weakened condition

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

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

Sharon Ramsey May 5 Sally McPeak May 8 Martha Crussell May 9

Carolyn Byrd May 10

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: Cove Creek Presbyterian Church, Roan Mountain, TN 37687

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.

<u>UPCOMING CHURCH ACTIVITIES:</u> 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.

<u>PHONE NUMBER CHANGE:</u> To get in touch with Carol Carter, please use her cell phone number 423-430-3142 as she no longer has a land line. Remember to update your directory!

<u>TODAY'S SERVICE:</u> We welcome Dr. Angus Shaw back as our speaker this morning and he will be back with us again next Sunday. Reverend Tom Gomola will be back for the services on May 19th and May 26th.

<u>PENTECOST SUNDAY:</u> On May 19th, Reverend Gomola has requested we all wear combinations of Red and White as a symbol of this important day in the Christian Calendar.

<u>PENTECOST OFFERING:</u> Gifts to the Pentecost Offering help youth begin life with a solid foundation of faith formed from childhood to young adulthood. 40% of the amount received stays with our congregation to support ministries in our local community. The Pentecost Offering will be received on Sunday, May 19th.

<u>PATRIOT'S CORNER:</u> Honor and remember your veterans on Memorial Day weekend by purchasing a flag to be placed in the green space between Eastman Credit Union and Piney Flats Drug Center. A yellow ribbon with your honoree's name will be attached to the 12"x18" American flag that will be placed in neat rows to create the Patriots Corner. Flags are \$10 each and all proceeds will go to the Ruritan's Annual Veterans Luncheon that feeds around 144 veterans each year near Veterans Day. Forms are available in the Narthex.

<u>PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN:</u> Support for the River continues In May as we will be collecting bandaids (especially the large size) and resealable sandwich bags for personal care items for the ladies. Thanks for your support of this great organization. Our Presbyterian Women meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 2 p.m. in the fellowship hall. We invite all ladies to attend.

<u>DECORATION DAY:</u> Decoration Sunday is <u>May 26</u> and preparations have begun. For Lunch we are planning to order chicken boxes again from KFC. Cost per box is \$10 and includes 3 chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, Cole slaw and a biscuit. Drinks and dessert will be provided. <u>Please let Mary Lynn know how many boxes you want by May 19. RSVP to 423-534-0060, call or text.</u>

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

<u>CLERK OF SESSION NEEDED:</u> 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.

<u>COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY:</u> 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.

<u>WEEKLY CHURCH FINANCIALS:</u> 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
April 28th Offering	\$ 670
Difference	\$ -640
Other Giving	\$ 260
Year to Date	\$-2,671