

**NEW BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Second Sunday After Pentecost

June 2, 2024



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

**ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

WELCOME IN CHRIST'S NAME

LITURGY AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHERRY BRADEMEYER

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

**"SANCTUARY"**

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary  
Pure and holy, tried and true  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for you.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

**Mark 2:23 through 3:6**

Leader: One sabbath Jesus was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain.

**Congregation: The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?"**

Leader: And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food?"

**Congregation: He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions."**

Leader: Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath;

**Congregation: so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."**

\*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)

"Forgive us for our failure to keep this Sabbath commandment, O God. Help us to restructure our schedules and reorient our hearts, so that the rhythm of our lives synchronize with your prescribed rhythm: "Six days you shall labor and do all your work. but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God""

\*OPENING HYMN #404                 **"PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND"**  
(Blue Hymnal)                                 (All verses)

1. Precious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, help me stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light; Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.
  
2. When my way grows drear, Precious Lord, linger near; When my life is almost gone, Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I fall; Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

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   DEUTERONOMY 5:12-15**

5:12 Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you.

5:13 Six days you shall labor and do all your work.

5:14 But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work--you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you.

5:15 Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

**SERMON**

**“YOUR REST DAY, SHOULD BE YOUR BEST DAY”** REV. TOM GOMOLA

**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 #108 “ROCK OF AGES, CLEFT FOR ME”**  
(Red Hymnal) (all verses)

1. Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood, From Thy wounded side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure, Save from wrath and make me pure.
2. Could my tears forever flow, Could my zeal no languor know,  
These for sin could not atone---Thou must save, and Thou alone:  
In my hand no price I bring, Simply to Thy cross I cling.
3. While I draw this final breath, When my eyes shall close in death,  
When I rise to worlds unknown, And behold Thee on Thy throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

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

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

I will serve Thee because I love Thee, You have given  
life to me; I was nothing before You found me,  
You have given life to me. Heartaches, broken  
pieces, Ruined lives are why You died on Calvary; Your touch  
was what I longed for, You have given life to me.

\*Indicates that those who are able may stand.

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**WELCOME TO NEW BETHEL**  
**June 2, 2024 – June 9, 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

Joan Mathes-----serious eye problems and other health issues, aunt of Dickie Jones (lives in  
Israel).

Sally McPeak-----dealing with the loss of her husband, Mike McPeak, and several health issues

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**

Ron Reed June 4

**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: First Presbyterian Church, Bristol, TN 37620

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 pleased that Reverend Tom Gomola is back with us today. Next Sunday Scott Fellows will return and Tom will be back with us on June 16 and 23.

**JUNE SESSION MEETING:** The monthly meeting of the session will be next Sunday, June 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN:** Our Presbyterian Women meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 2 p.m. in the fellowship hall, so come join in the fellowship.

**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
May 26th Offering	\$ 1,021
Difference	\$ -289
Other Giving	\$ 0
Year to Date	\$-1,395