



**NEW BETHEL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

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"To Make Christ Known"

Mission Statement: To know Christ and make Christ known

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME IN GOD'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

"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)

*Leader: We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,
Colossians 1:3 (KJV)*

People: pray without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17)

*Leader: What am I to do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing
praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also.*(1 Corinthians 14:15)

People: Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success! (Psalm 118:25)

*Leader: But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the
sea that is driven and tossed by the wind.*(James 1:6)

People: For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."(Romans 10:13)

*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.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

"Lord, You know the burdens I'm carrying. Sometimes I'm tempted to stop praying because I don't see the answer I want, but today I choose to believe You love me and You are listening. So I will pray and pray and never give up. Thank You for never leaving me. In Jesus' Name, Amen"

Assurance of God's Pardon: (leader)

Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. Amen!

*OPENING HYMN # 692

"BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC"

(Red Hymnal)

(Verses 1, 2, and 4)

1. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord,
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword,
His truth is marching on.
(Refrain)
Glory! glory! Hallelujah! Glory! glory! Hallelujah! Glory! glory! Hallelujah!
His truth is marching on!
2. I have seen Him in the watchfires of a hundred circling camps,
They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps;
I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps,
His day is marching on.
(Refrain)
4. In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
With a glory in His being that transfigures you and me;
As He died to make men holy let us live to make men free!
While God is marching on.
(Refrain)

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

SERMON SCRIPTURE: (Responsively)

Leader: *You also must help us by prayer, so that many will give thanks on our behalf for the blessing granted us through the prayers of many.*(2 Corinthians 1:11)

People: *First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people,*(1 Timothy 2:1-2)

Leader: *Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.*(James 5:13-14)

People: **Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me!** (Psalm 66:20)

Sermon Notes:

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SERMON

“PRAYER MADE SIMPLE”

REV. TOM GOMOLA

SCRIPTURE

Romans 8:26, deep groaning.

²⁶ In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.

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

July 7, 2024 – July 14, 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

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

Eric Spoon July 9 Michelle Fuller July 12

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

Eddie and Sharon Ramsey July 10

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, Kingsport, TN 37660

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.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Please add Rev. Tom Gomola's contact information to your New Bethel Directory.

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SESSION MEETING: The next Session meeting will be July 14th at 6:30 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: Our Presbyterian Women meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 2:00 p. m. in the fellowship hall. The next meeting will be July 17th. Rev. Tom Gomola will be our special guest at this meeting so please come and join us!

DONATIONS TO THE RIVER: Donations for the River are being accepted now through July 7th. Needed: bottled water, and ready-to-freeze freezer pops. Please leave donations on the pew in the narthex. Thank you!

PF RURITAN BOOK SALE: In search of used books, puzzles, games, DVDs, CDs for the Piney Flats Ruritan book sale during Piney Flats Days. Items for all ages and genres are welcome. Donations can be put in the box provided in the narthex until July 27 (or give to Mary Lynn, Linda, or Larry). Piney Flats Days is the first weekend in August on the campus of Mary Hughes School and the Piney Flats Community Center. Proceeds from the sale will be used to fund the Veterans luncheon in November.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: Our church directory is in need of an update. Sandra and Mary Lynn plan to work on it this month. If you know of changes, please send them ASAP to either Sandra or Mary Lynn by e-mail: mlbarnes0303@gmail.com or csmleonard878@outlook.com

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 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.