



**NEW BETHEL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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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)

Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything.

Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all He has done.

Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand.

His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

(Philippians 4: 6-7)

*OPENING PRAYER

*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)

Lord, instead of being quick to listen, we are quick to defend ourselves. Instead of seeking to love others, we demand to be heard by others. Convict us in our pride, O Lord, and create in each one of us humble and peacemaking spirits.

***ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON**

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, pray, seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land. **(2 Chronicles 7:14)**

***OPENING HYMN #455**

(Red Hymnal)

"I AM THINE, O LORD"

(Verses 1 and 4)

1. I am Thine, O Lord— I have heard Thy voice, And it told Thy love to me; But I long to rise in the arms of faith And be closer drawn to Thee.

(Refrain)

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
To the cross where Thou hast died; Draw me nearer, nearer,
nearer, blessed Lord, To Thy precious, bleeding side. Amen.

4. There are depths of love that I cannot know 'Til I cross the narrow sea; There are heights of joy that I may not reach 'Til I rest in peace with Thee.

(Refrain)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP **(Hebrews 13:16)**

"Do good and share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God."

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 ILLUMINATION

SERMON SCRIPTURE (Responsively)

(James 4: 6)

6 God opposes the proud,
but shows favor to the humble.

(James 4: 7-10)

7 Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

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8 Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

9 Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom

10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

SERMON

“WHEN GOD SAYS, ‘NO’ ”

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 #281 “GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH”**

(Blue Hymnal)

(All Verses)

1. Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy powerful hand; Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more, Feed me till I want no more.
2. Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through; Strong deliverer, strong deliverer Be Thou still my strength and shield, Be Thou still my strength and shield.
3. When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death, and hell’s destruction, Land me safe on Canaan’s side; Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee, I will ever give to 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
August 4, 2024 – August 11, 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

Kaylyn Smith August 5 Judy Sweeney August 6

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

Jon and Anne White August 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: Jennie Moore Presbyterian Church, Flag Pond, TN 37657
The Session as they lead our church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are delighted that you are worshipping 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.

SESSION MEETING: The Session will meet at 6:30 p.m. on August 11th in the fellowship hall.

RECEPTION: There will be a reception in honor of Reverend Tom Gomola and his wife, Teresa, in the fellowship hall immediately following the morning worship service on Sunday, August 25th. Refreshments will be served by the Presbyterian Women. Please join us as we gladly welcome Tom and Teresa to New Bethel Presbyterian. We are thankful that Tom has accepted the call to be our part-time pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: In August our Presbyterian Women will meet the 4th Wednesday instead of the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Our meeting will be August 28 at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The current project for the Presbyterian Women is collecting backpacks and school supplies for students at Emmett Elementary. Donations can be placed on the pew in the narthex.

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.

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
July 28 Offering	\$ 518
Other Giving July 14	\$ 200
Year to Date	\$ -1,820