



**NEW BETHEL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
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Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
August 18, 2024



"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

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)

Worship the Lord with gladness.

Come before him, singing with joy.

Acknowledge that the Lord is God!

He made us, and we are his.

We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;

Go into his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good.

His unfailing love continues forever,

And his faithfulness continues to each generation. (Psalm 100:2-5)

*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)

Bring your confessions, and return to the Lord. Say to him, “Forgive all our sins and graciously receive us, so that we may offer you our praises. (Hosea 14:2)

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

I will cleanse them of their sins against me and forgive all their sins of rebellion. (**Jeremiah 33:8**)

*OPENING HYMN #442

“THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION”

(Blue Hymnal)

(Verses 1, 2, and 4)

1. The church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation By water and the word;
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood he bought her, And for her life He died.
2. Elect from every nation, Yet on o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, With every grace endued.
4. Mid toil and tribulation, And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great church victorious Shall be the church at rest.

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

So the **churches** were strengthened in their faith and grew larger every day. (**Acts 16:5**)

SERMON

“WHAT IS THE CHURCH?”

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 #359**

“MORE LOVE TO THEE O CHRIST”

(Blue Hymnal)

(All verses)

1. More love to Thee, O Christ, More love to Thee! Hear Thou the prayer I make On bended knee. This is my earnest plea:
More love, O Christ, to Thee, More love to Thee, More love to Thee!
2. Once earthly joy I craved, Sought peace and rest; Now Thee alone I seek, Give what is best. This all my prayer shall be:
More love, O Christ, to Thee, More love to Thee, More love to Thee!
3. Then shall my latest breath Whisper Thy praise; This be the parting cry My heart shall raise. This still its prayer shall be:
More love, O Christ, to Thee, More love to Thee, More love 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 18, 2024 – August 25, 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 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
Judy Sweeney-----recuperating from recent cardio-version procedure
Tab Torbett-----is in the VA receiving treatment

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Tab Torbett August 19 Gary Dobrovolsky August 23

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: Keystone Presbyterian Church, Jonesborough, TN 37601
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.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHIES: The New Bethel family of faith expresses its deepest Christian sympathies to the family of Wayne Torbett. Wayne, the brother of Dean Torbett, passed away on Saturday, August 10. Wayne and his wife, Frances, owned and operated Wayne Torbett Greenhouse in Piney Flats. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to Dean and Janie on the death of their precious family member. His memorial service took place Thursday, August 15 at Poplar Ridge Christian Church in Piney Flats and his graveside service took place at Poplar Ridge Christian Church Cemetery.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHIES: Our church family is saddened by the death of Willene Spence. Willene was the wife of former New Bethel minister, Dr. Andrew Spence. She was loved and respected by all who knew her. She passed away August 14 at 102 years of age. Her Celebration of Life service will be held today, Sunday, August 18 at 2:00 p.m. at Weaver Funeral Home Chapel in Bristol. Her burial will be private in Cold Springs Cemetery.

SAVE THE DATE! **Saturday, October 19th** is the date for the annual **River Craft and Goodies Fair** in the basement of the First Presbyterian Church in Johnson City **from 9 am to 2 pm**. Mark your calendar and plan to attend this "fund raiser event" to **Keep the River Flowing!**

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**. Lunch will be served by the PW. 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. You can pick up a list of needed supplies in the Narthex. 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
August 11 Offering	\$ 625
Other Offerings	\$ 70
Year to Date	\$ -2,754