



**NEW BETHEL  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
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Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost  
September 29, 2024

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

### "HOLY SPIRIT"

Holy Spirit Thou art welcome in this place  
Holy Spirit Thou art welcome in this place  
Omnipotent Father of Mercy and Grace  
Thou art welcome in this place.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

What if the Lord had not been on our side? Let all Israel repeat:

**What if the Lord had not been on our side when people attacked us?**

They would have swallowed us alive in their burning anger.

**The waters would have engulfed us; a torrent would have overwhelmed us.**

Yes, the raging waters of their fury would have overwhelmed our very lives.

**Praise the Lord, who did not let their teeth tear us apart!**

We escaped like a bird from a hunter's trap. The trap is broken, and we are free!

**Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth** (Psalm 124) New Living Translation (NLT)

\*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)**

Dear God, we gather today and admit our need for you and confess that we all fall short of Your glorious standard. We admit that living in a broken world can cause us to stumble and lose sight of You. Help us trust in You, especially when we do not have control over what goes on in the world. We are sorry for sinning against You and one another. Please forgive us. Thank you for your unconditional love, mercy, and grace. In Jesus name, Amen.

**\*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON**

"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." – **Romans 5:1**

**\*OPENING HYMN #564**

(Red Hymnal)

**"LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER"**

(All Verses)

1. Let us break bread together on our knees;  
Let us break bread together on our knees;  
(Refrain)  
When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me.
2. Let us drink wine together on our knees;  
Let us drink wine together on our knees;  
(Refrain)
3. Let us praise God together on our knees;  
Let us praise God together on our knees;  
(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 THANKSGIVING**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**\*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 #467  
(Blue Hymnal)

**“HOW GREAT THOU ART”**  
(Verses 1, 3, and 4)

1. O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder Consider  
all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I  
hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displaced:  
(Refrain)  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my  
Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
3. And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin;  
(Refrain)
4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,  
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!  
(Refrain)

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

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**“TO BE LIKE JESUS”**

To be like Jesus, To be like Jesus.

All I ask, to be like him.

All through life's journey from earth to glory,

All I ask, to be like Him.

\*Indicates those who are able may stand.

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WELCOME TO NEW BETHEL  
September 29, 2024 – October 6, 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  
Mary Beth Asbell-----undergoing radiation treatment for recurrent cancer, sister of Vickie Musick  
Billy Bagnell-----brain tumor; friend of Rodney Smith  
Tommy Forrester-----brain cancer, friend of Mary Lynn Barnes  
Jerry Graham-----A-Fib issues, friend of Katie Wright  
Julia Kegley-----recovering and trying to stay healthy  
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-----recently had a fall and is having difficulty walking; on bed rest, church member  
Phyllis Painter-----eyes, shoulder and leg issues, friend of New Bethel members  
Carolyn Shaw-----mobility issues, wife of Dr Angus Shaw  
Tab Torbett-----is in the VA receiving treatment

**PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS**

Ed Campbell    September 29

**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: New Ebenezer Presbyterian Church, Greeneville, TN 37743  
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).

**CONGREGATION MEETING:** There will be a Congregational Meeting immediately following the worship service **today**. The purpose of the meeting is to elect an Elder Nominating Committee. Agreeing to serve on the committee if elected are Marcia Torbett, Kevyn Torbett, Byron Barnes, Jim Wright, and Larry Smith.

**2024 CRAFT AND GOODIES FAIR:** You do not want to miss the Craft and Goodies Fair that will be held at **First Presbyterian Church in Johnson City** on **October 19<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 2 pm**. Starting an hour earlier this year and located in the basement of the church, there will be fresh baked hand pies, live music, a Game of Chance, and lots of homemade crafts and goodies. All proceeds benefit **The River** to help women to help themselves! Invite a friend to join you! A great opportunity to shop for special gifts and to **help keep The River flowing!**

**HARVEST TABLE FOOD COLLECTION:** The food collection for the **Harvest Table** has begun and will continue through **October 20<sup>th</sup>**. Items needed for the Haven of Rest Thanksgiving boxes are: **boxed stuffing, and canned sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, green beans, corn and peas**. Grocery bags of food can be placed on the pew in the narthex. Please pray about how you can participate in this ministry and be **a blessing to those in need!**

**SAVE THE DATE!:** The session has approved a fellowship meal following worship on **November 17**. Bring your favorite dish and invite a guest to join us!

**FALL FESTIVAL:** New Bethel will have a Fall Festival on **October 19, from 8 a.m. to noon**. Breakfast at 8 a.m. Games and activities will follow, More details will come in the near future. See Byron Barnes with any questions.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN:** The next project for Presbyterian Women is to collect donations for Sullivan East HS Swag Shoppe where students get access based on need. We did this last year, but the items they need have changed somewhat. This time they do NOT need any toiletries donated. They need the following items: trial size laundry detergent, boys' clothing (sizes S-3X) including hoodies, graphic tees (boys or girls), sports jackets, toboggans or caps. Also ties and dress shirts as well as (new or gently used) blue jeans-sizes 30, 32, 34, 36. They can also use men's belts and tennis shoes. The drive will run through **Sun, Oct 6**, and items 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](mailto:mlbarnes0303@gmail.com) or [csmleonard878@outlook.com](mailto: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:

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|-----------------------|-----------|
| Weekly Budget Needs   | \$ 1,310  |
| September 22 Offering | \$ 2,044  |
| Other Offerings       | \$ 70     |
| Year to Date          | \$ -1,493 |