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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

*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)

- 9 If you make the Lord your refuge, if you make the Most High your shelter,
- 10 no evil will conquer you; no plague will come near your home.
- 11 For he will order his angels to protect you wherever you go.
- 12 They will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.
- 13 You will trample upon lions and cobras; you will crush fierce lions and serpents under your feet!
- 14 The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name.
- 15 When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue and honor them.
- 16 I will reward them with a long life and give them my salvation." (Psalm 91, 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)

God our comforter, we are like lost sheep, we have gone astray. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen. All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in + Christ Jesus, God makes you strong, worthy, righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in Christ Jesus, God makes you strong, worthy, righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

*OPENING HYMN #457	"TAKE TIME TO BE HOLY"
(Red Hymnal)	(All Verses)

- 1. Take time to be holy, Speak often with God; Find rest in Him always, And feed on His Word. Make friends of God's children, Help those who are weak, Forgetting in nothing His likeness to seek.
- Take time to be holy, The world rushes on; Much time spend in secret With Jesus alone. By looking to Jesus, Like Him Thou shall be; Thy friends in thy conduct His likeness shall see.
- 3. Take time to be holy, Let Him be Thy guide, And run not before Him, Whatever betide. In joy or in sorrow, Still follow Thy Lord, And, looking to Jesus, Still trust in His word.

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

SERMON SCRIPTURE Romans 10:9-10, Galatians 2:16, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Ephesians 2:8-9 (all from the NLT Bible)

SERMON "REFORMATION SUNDAY AND MARTIN LUTHER" REV. TOM GOMOLA

*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 **#587.** (Red Hymnal)

"HE KEEPS ME SINGING"

(Verses 1, 3, and 5)

 There's within my heart a melody--- Jesus whispers sweet and low, "Fear not, I am with Thee--- peace be still," In all of life's ebb and flow. (Refrain)

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus--- Sweetest name I know, Fills my every longing, Keeps me singing as I go.

- Feasting on the riches of His grace, Resting 'neath His shelt'ring wing, Always looking on His smiling face--- That is why I shout and sing. (Refrain)
- Soon He's coming back to welcome me, Far beyond the starry sky; I shall wing my flight to worlds unknown, I shall reign with Him on high. (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 October 27, 2024 – November 3, 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
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

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

PRAY FOR OUR MILTARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

PRAY FOR THE WORK OF CHRIST'S CHURCH:

Holston Presbytery and their work for the larger church This week: Oakland Presbyterian Church, Limestone, TN 37681 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 <u>www.newbethelpres.org</u>.

SESSION MEETING: The session will meet this evening at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

<u>COMMUNION</u>: Communion will be next Sunday, <u>November 3</u>.

THANK OFFERING: The Presbyterian Women Thank Offering will be received next Sunday, **November 3**. Received in the fall each year, it gives congregations a tangible way to express their gratitude for the special blessings in their lives. Thank Offering grants up to \$50,000 are awarded each year with at least 40 percent of the offering funding health ministries.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: Continue to pack shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Packing, mailing information, and boxes are in the Narthex. Dedication for the OCC shoe boxes will be **November 17th** during the morning worship service.

DONATIONS FOR FLOOD VICTIMS: New Bethel has two opportunities to help the victims of the horrible, unprecedented flood in our county and neighboring counties. Many people have died and many are still missing. Byron Barnes has already delivered several loads of supplies. He will pick up any donations that we bring to New Bethel and deliver those supplies to those in need. Please put these donations in the yellow room. These are some items that they can use:

Cases and jugs of water, non-perishable items, baby food and formula,

hygiene items, toiletries, flashlights and batteries, first aid kits and diapers.

(These items were recommended by King University.)

The second opportunity is through Edgefield Methodist Church. You are asked to drop off donations at the Family Life Center across the street from Edgefield Methodist Church on Pickens Bridge Road in Piney Flats. If no one is there, you may leave items at the door..

BIBLES FOR FLOOD VICTIMS: A senior at West Ridge High School, Brock Greer, and his church are asking local churches to gather as many Bibles as possible for hurricane relief. The address of his church is Princeton Presbyterian, 2703 E Oakland Ave, Johnson City, TN 37601. He will send us more details about the times that they will be collecting. He asked us to please let him know of any churches in our area that you know have been impacted by the flooding as well, so that they can ensure that they get Bibles to them and their congregations.

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

CHURCH DIRECTORY; COMING SOON!!

<u>COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY</u>: 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
October 20 Offering	\$ 1,544
Other Offerings	\$ 415
Year to Date	\$ -2,970