



**NEW BETHEL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
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Christ the King
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Mission Statement: To know Christ and make Christ known

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME IN GOD'S NAME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REV. TOM GOMOLA

OPENING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

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

LITURGY

LARRY SMITH

*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)

1 When the Lord brought back his exiles to Jerusalem, it was like a dream!

2 We were filled with laughter, and we sang for joy. And the other nations said, "What amazing things the Lord has done for them."

3 Yes, the Lord has done amazing things for us! What joy!

4 Restore our fortunes, Lord, as streams renew the desert.

5 Those who plant in tears will harvest with shouts of joy.

6 They weep as they go to plant their seed, but they sing as they return with the harvest.

*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.

*OPENING HYMN #155

“REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING”

(Blue Hymnal)

(All Verses)

1. Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, And triumph evermore:
(Refrain)
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!
2. God’s kingdom cannot fail, Christ rules o’er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell Are to our Jesus given:
(Refrain)
3. Rejoice in glorious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come
To glorify the saints For their eternal home:
(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 (In Unison)

Father, in all things, We give thanks to you for the abundant blessings you bestow upon us. From the smallest moments of grace to the biggest triumphs, We are grateful for all that you provide and all that you are. May this day and every day be filled with a spirit of gratitude and praise.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON

“SAY THANK YOU”

REV. TOM GOMOLA

SERMON SCRIPTURE **Jeremiah 33:11, Ephesians 5:4, 2 Corinthians 9:11, Colossians 4:2, Colossians 3:15, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, Revelation 11:17, Revelation 7:12**

***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 #215**
(Red Hymnal)

"TELL ME THE STORY OF JESUS"
(All Verses)

1. Tell me the story of Jesus, Write on my heart every word;
Tell me the story most precious, Sweetest that ever was heard.
Tell how the angels in chorus Sang as they welcomed His birth,
"Glory to God in the highest! Peace and good tidings to earth."
(Refrain)
Tell me the story of Jesus, Write on my heart every word;
Tell me the story most precious, Sweetest that ever was heard.
2. Fasting alone in the desert, Tell of the days that are past,
How for our sins He was tempted, Yet was triumphant at last.
Tell of the years of His labor, Tell of the sorrow He bore,
He was despised and afflicted, Homeless, rejected and poor.
(Refrain)
3. Tell me of the cross where they nailed Him, Writhing in anguish and pain;
Tell of the grave where they laid Him, Tell how He liveth again.
Love in that story so tender Clearer than ever I see;
Lord, may I always remember Love paid the ransom for me.
(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
November 24, 2024 – December 1, 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
Jerry Graham-----A-Fib issues, friend of Katie Wright
Julia Kegley-----recovering and trying to stay healthy
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
Debbie Smith-----breast cancer treatment, friend of Becky Wise
Tab Torbett-----is in the VA receiving treatment

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Katie Wright November 25 Leigh Shepherd November 27

Scott Greene November 28

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

Dean and Janie Torbett November 27

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

O3 Matthew Musick a naval aviator, will be moving with his wife and 3 children to a new base soon, after which he will be deployed

PRAY FOR THE WORK OF CHRIST'S CHURCH:

Holston Presbytery and their work for the larger church
This week: Preston Hills Presbyterian Church, Piney Flats, TN 37664
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 extends its deepest Christian sympathies to Kevyn and Tab Torbett on the death of Kevyn's son, John Landers, II. We pray that God will give the family peace and comfort during this difficult time. A memorial service will be held at New Bethel Presbyterian on **Saturday, December 7 at 4:00 p.m.**

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: A congregational meeting will be held following the worship service this morning. During this stated meeting elders for 2025 will be elected and budget information for 2025 will be presented. The session has asked for a waiver so the session membership will be the same as 2024. The Nominating Committee will place Denise Torbett in nomination for a vacant position and recommend Byron Barnes and Larry Smith be elected for an additional year of service.

DECORATE THE SANCTUARY: The Advent/Christmas season is upon us! We will be decorating the sanctuary immediately **after worship today.** Please plan to stay and help with the tree, wreaths, windows, etc. We have a new Christmas tree this year that is pre-lit, so no stringing lights!

THANKSGIVING OFFERING: Our Thanksgiving Offering will be received today. This offering will go to a needy organization in our area. Last year this offering supported the Coalition for Kids.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING WORSHIP: There will be a Community Thanksgiving Worship Service St. Paul Methodist Church, 1665 Allison Road, Piney Flats, this evening at **6:00 p.m.**

PINEY FLATS CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING: The community Christmas tree lighting in Piney Flats is on **Sun, Dec 1, 4-6 pm.** Plan to come out, see Santa, and enjoy this free event sponsored by the Piney Flats Ruritan Club. Bring your own chair! The location is on the corner of Austin Springs and Piney Flats Roads in the historic village. Local churches furnish cookies for this; give them to Larry, Linda, or Mary Lynn on that day at church if you are interested in donating.

SESSION MEETING: The next session meeting will be **Sunday, December 8th** after worship.

PW CHRISTMAS PARTY: The Presbyterian Women's Christmas party will be on **Wed, Dec 4, at 6:00,** in the Fellowship Hall. Please make a reservation with Mary Lynn by Sun, Dec 1, by giving her \$5.00 for the meal. Remember to bring diapers-sizes 3 & up/baby wipes donations for The River. Also, bring a \$20 wrapped gift to participate in our BINGO gift exchange. (This meeting takes the place of the regular monthly December meeting.) Our next monthly meeting will be Wednesday, January 22nd at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROJECT: The Sunday School class is collecting new toys for children ages 0 – 15 years through **December 10th.** This toy drive is open to the congregation. Please place any toys that you bring in the library at the church. The toys will be delivered to the Haven of Mercy. This will probably be the only toy that each of these children receive. Your generosity will certainly be appreciated.

OCC SHOEBOXES: 45 OCC shoeboxes were delivered to Piney Flats 1st Baptist Church on Monday. Thanks to all who participated and donated to this worthy program.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING: Please help us make a joyful noise by joining us for Christmas caroling the evening of **Dec 8**. We will meet at the church **@ 4:00** to travel together by van. Please sign the list in the narthex if you plan to go. At the end we will stop for a meal before returning to the church. (If you know of someone who would appreciate a visit that night, give the name and address to Byron Barnes.)

ELDER TRAINING: Holston Presbytery is offering COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR (CRE) TRAINING. There are 7 monthly meetings either online or zoom meetings on the second Tuesday of each month from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. If you are interested in participating, go online to holstonpresbytery.net where you can get more information or register for this program.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: The New Bethel Church directory has been completed and copies are on the table in the narthex. Be sure and pick up your copy!

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
November 17th Offering	\$ 1,584
Other Offerings	\$ 115
Year to Date	\$ -2,270