

# NEW BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Mission Statement: To know Christ and make Christ known

# **ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS REV. TOM GOMOLA

**OPENING PRAYER** 

LITURGIST MARY LYNN BARNES

# THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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

\*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 (responsive)

But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. (Matthew 6:33)

For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. (Luke 12:34)

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind,

that by testing, you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. (Romans 12:2)

For if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church? (1 Timothy 3:5)

"You shall have no other gods before me. (Exodus 20:3)

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Heavenly Father, you have called us to a life of total identification with Jesus Christ. Our desire is to be faithful to your call, no matter the cost. Still, there are times when we revert to our sinful behavior, while we temporarily turn away from God. We confess those times to you and repent of our selfish decisions. Cleanse us from all unrighteousness and spiritual compromise. Amen.

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

God's word does not come to condemn us, but to make us wise, reviving our souls and rejoicing our hearts. (Psalm 19:7-8)

#### \*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 #258

#### "WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS"

(Verses 1, 2 and 4)

(Red Hymnal)

- When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2. Forbid it Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.
- 4. Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

#### PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SPECIAL MUSIC

#### SERMON SCRIPTURES

**Luke 12:22-34** And he said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? ...

**Luke 10:41-42** But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

**Deuteronomy 6:5** You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

**Mark 8:36-37** For what does it profit a someone to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can someone give in return for his soul?

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP **Hebrews 13:16** "Do good and share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God."

**OFFERING** 

\*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

#### \*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 #123 (Red Hymnal) "WHEN WE ALL GET TO HEAVEN"

(Verses 1, 3 and 4)

 Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, Sing His mercy and His grace; In the mansions bright and blessed He'll prepare for us a place. (Refrain)
 When we all get to heaven, What a day of rejoicing that will

be! When we all see Jesus, We'll sing and shout the victory!

- 3. Let us then be true and faithful, Trusting, serving every day; Just one glimpse of Him in glory Will the toils of life repay. (Refrain)
- Onward to the prize before us! Soon His beauty we'll behold;
   Soon the pearly gates will open—We shall tread the streets of gold. (Refrain)

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

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

#### "I WILL SERVE THEE"

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.

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<sup>\*</sup>Indicates those who are able may stand.

# WELCOME TO NEW BETHEL July 27, 2025 – August 3, 2025

# 9:45 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

# SPECIAL PRAYER FOR:

Matt Amicksome improvement of paralysis – still in serious condition, neighbor of Rodney Smith
Billy Bagnellbrain tumor; friend of Rodney Smith
Rick Brademeyerrecovering from back surgery at home
Ramona Fender38 year old undergoing treatment for colon cancer, granddaughter of a friend of Sandra's
Jerry Gilliamrecuperating from amputation of leg, friend of Ron and Marion
Jerry GrahamA-Fib issues, friend of Katie Wright
Ron Jonesprostate cancer and long covid, friend of Jon White
Mike Martinrecovering from wrist surgery, friend of Becky Wise
Joan Mathesserious eye problems and other health issues, aunt of Dickie Jones (lives in Israel)
Sally McPeakvarious health problems, church member
Phyllis Paintereyes, shoulder and leg issues, friend of New Bethel members,
Debbie Smithbreast cancer treatment, friend of Becky Wise
Dickie Torbettrecovering from surgery on his arm resulting from a fall, church member Jerry Vaughnrecovering from open heart surgery, Gary Vaughn's father

#### PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Phyllis Painter July 29

#### PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

Larry and Linda Smith July 28

#### PRAY FOR OUR MILTARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

Lt. Matthew Musick A naval aviator was deployed in January to the middle east area.

His family will continue to live and go to school at his base in Florida while he

serves in this new tour of duty.

#### PRAY FOR THE WORK OF CHRIST'S CHURCH:

Holston Presbytery and their work for the larger church This week: First Presbyterian Church, Bristol, TN 37620

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.

<u>UPCOMING CHURCH ACTIVITIES:</u> 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>.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** We will have communion during worship on August 3.

<u>EMERGENCY NEEDS AT THE RIVER:</u> There is a dire need for "snacks" at the River for the women who use this facility five days a week! Their supply is <u>very low</u>. The snacks should be individually wrapped items that they can take with them to eat on the go or eat there. Some suggestions are: Gold Fish, Ramen Noodles, and Chef Boyardee packs; all kind of chips; tuna pouches; fruit cups and apple sauce cups; and any other food item, like the ones mentioned, that do not need refrigeration and are easily transportable! PLEASE, NO PEANUT BUTTECRACKERS! Put your items in the box on the pew in the narthex for the next few weeks. Thanks for helping these women in need!

<u>SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED:</u> School supply collection is the lates project of the New Bethel women's group. Emmett Elementary School, one of the neediest schools in Sullivan County, has been the recipient for the last six years. Emmett Elementary School, Bristol, TN, can be used to find the website. Listed below are just some of the items needed. A full list can be found on Emmett's website. Donations can be placed on the pew in the narthex. We will be collecting <u>July 24, 2025</u> through August 24, 2025.

#### Sample of Supplies needed:

Crayola crayons, glue sticks, black Sharpies, quart size baggies, gallons size baggies, Crayola markers, bathroom size paper cups, hand sanitizer, paper towels, paper plates, student scissors, high lighters, backpacks (no wheels), cap erasers.

Please contact Mary Dobrovolc at 315-525-2454 with any guestions.

PINEY FLATS DAYS: Piney Flats Days, sponsored by the Piney Flats Ruritan, is coming up August 1st and 2nd. On Fri/Sat there is a book fair at the Community Center (book donations can be placed on the pew in the narthex). On Fri night there is a 5K race which begins at Mary Hughes School @7:00, with pre-registration on-line (werunevents.com). On Sat there will be live music, food & craft vendors, a car show, and ax-throwing, plus a children's play area with inflatables beginning @9:00AM with free parking/admission. Also, of special importance to New Bethel...our church is pictured on this year's tee-shirts, which can be purchased at the Sat event! This event helps the Ruritan fund the Veterans Luncheon in Nov., as well as other community projects. Questions? See Mary Lynn, Larry or Linda Smith.

<u>CHURCH DIRECTORY</u>: The church directory is now in a database that is easily updated. If you need to be added or make changes, please email Mary Lynn at <a href="mailto:mlbarnes0303@gmail.com">mlbarnes0303@gmail.com</a>. The information should include names, address, phone, email, birthdates, anniversary date. Copies of the current directory are in a folder in the narthex. As changes are made updated copies will be available there.

**COMMUNION AND OFFERING:** There are sign-up sheets in the narthex (small table) for serving Holy Communion (ordained Elder, but don't have to be currently on Session) and taking up offering (anyone can it!) Holy Communion is served on the first Sunday of the month. All roles are monthly and all help is appreciated!

**SESSION:** There will be no session meeting in July. The next session meeting will be **Sunday**, **August 10**, following worship.

**WIFI:** The original password is working now: bethel592

<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.

<u>WEEKLY CHURCH FINANCIALS:</u> 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 2025 budget is shown below:

Weekly Budget Needs	\$ 1,443
July 20 Offering	\$ 1,085
Other Offerings	\$ 206
Year to Date	\$ 4,784

# These are our current session members:

Tom Gomola	(724) 992-0447	Denise Torbett	(423) 341-4013	
Dickie Torbett	(423) 967-5831	Mary Dobrovolc	(315) 525-2454	
Larry Smith	(423) 747-7282	Eddie Ramsey	(423) 306-1526	
Mary Lynn Barnes	(423) 534-0060	Katie Wright	(423) 967-6534	
Byron Barnes	(423)-794-6522	Gary Vaughn	(423) 956-6907	