NEW BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PHONE 423-538-8688 Twenty-fifth Sunday After Pentecost November 19, 2023



Mission Statement: To know Christ and make Christ known

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME IN CHRIST'S NAME

LITURGY AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARY DOBROVOLC

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 "OPEN OUR EYES LORD"

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, To reach out and touch him and say that we love him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations;

you have been our home throughout all the ages.

You were there before the world was made and will be forever.

From everlasting to everlasting you are God.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*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)

Loving God, we confess that we have sinned against you by not honoring you or one another. When we place our iniquities before you, it is your love that sheds light on our wayward deeds. As we stand in awe of your constancy for us, we ask your forgiveness through the mercy of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #314 "WHAT A DAY THAT WILL BE"

(Red Hymnal)

1. There is coming a day when no heartaches shall come, No more clouds in the sky, no more tears to dim the eye; All is peace for evermore on that happy golden shore—What a day, glorious day, that will be.

(Refrain)

What a day that will be when my Jesus I shall see, And I look upon His face—the One who saved me by His grace; When He takes me by the hand, and leads me through the Promised Land, What a day, glorious day, that will be.

 There'll be no sorrow there, no more burdens to bear, No more sickness, no pain, no more parting over there; And forever I will be with the One who died for me—What a day, glorious day, that will be. (Refrain)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

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

SCRIPTURE Luke 17: 11-19 (New American Standard Version)

SERMON "STEPS TO GRATITUDE" DR. ANGUS SHAW

PRAYER

COMMUNION

*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 #432 "SOFTLY AND TENDERLY" (Red Hymnal)

 Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, Calling for you and for me; Patient and loving, He's waiting and watching, Watching for you and for me.

(Refrain)

Come home, come home,

Ye who are weary, come home; Earnestly,

tenderly, Jesus is calling—Calling, "O sinner, come home!"

2. Why should we linger when Jesus is pleading, Pleading for you and for me? Why should we wait, then, and heed not His mercies, Mercies for you and for me? (Refrain)

 O for the wonderful love He has promised, Promised for you and for me; Tho' we have sinned He has mercy and pardon, Pardon for you and for me. (Refrain)

*GO IN GOD'S NAME

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

"MAY THE LORD, MIGHTY GOD"

May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever; Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor. Lift up your eyes and see God's face, full of grace forever; May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.

^{*}Indicates that those who are able may stand. The Call to Worship and the Prayer of Confession are from Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion.

WELCOME TO NEW BETHEL November 19, 2023—November 26, 2023

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

SPECIAL PRAYER FOR:

health, former minister's wife
cancer, Jennifer Procopio's aunt
medical and mental health, son of Kevyn Torbett
improvement of paralysis, but still a long way to go neighbor of Rodney Smith
continued improvement in health, church member
recovering from cancer
prayers for complete healing and recovery from
stroke, church member
brain cancer, friend of Mary Lynn Barnes
pain in fractured pelvic bone due to fall in December
blockage that could cause a stroke, Katie's friend
previous bladder cancer has returned in several
areas of his body, friend of Rodney Smith
out of the hospital and recuperating at home
brain tumor; 20 years old, friend of Rodney Smith
recuperating at home after shoulder surgery
successful heart valve surgery, recovering at home
recuperating at home after shoulder surgery
surgery on broken leg
eye problems

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

David Kegley November 19 Maryl Greene November 22

Katie Wright November 25

PRAY FOR THOSE CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES, ESPECIALLY THOSE FROM OUR AREA:

COL. Michael Harvey (Army)
STAFF SGT David Roberts (Air Force)
Sailor Nicholas Shane Everding (Navy)

PRAY FOR THE WORK OF CHRIST'S CHURCH:

Holston Presbytery and their work for the larger church This week: Shady Valley Presbyterian, Shady Valley, TN 37688 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 www.newbethelpres.org.

<u>PASTOR SEARCH:</u> Continue to be in prayer for our Presbytery, the Committee on Ministry, our Session, and our Congregation as we continue our search for a part-time pastor.

<u>TODAY'S SERVICE:</u> We are pleased to welcome Dr. Shaw back to lead our service today. Rebekah Cote will return on November 26th along with her niece and nephew for a special service of worship, praise, and thanksgiving. Randy McReynolds will return on December 3rd. Randy was previously with us on September 10th.

<u>CLERK OF SESSION NEEDED:</u> New Bethel is in need of 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 take on this role, let any session member know.

MONTHLY SESSION MEETING: The Session will meet this evening at 6:30 in the New Bethel fellowship hall.

THANKSGIVING OFFERING: Our Thanksgiving Offering will be received today. The session will decide a worthy organization or cause for this year's recipient. Last year we received \$190 that was sent to the Isaiah 117 House.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: Shoeboxes have been turned in and we thank you all who participated. This year New Bethel sent 20 boxes.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: The Presbyterian Women's Christmas party has been set for Wed, December 6, at 6:00, in the fellowship hall. Please RSVP to Mary Lynn Barnes by Sun, Dec 3, with \$5.00 for the meal. We will again be collecting disposal baby diapers/wipes for a donation to The River. If you want to play Bingo bring a \$20 limit wrapped gift.

<u>PINEY FLATS CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING:</u> The Piney Flats Christmas tree lighting is set for Sun evening, Dec 3, starting @4:00. It is a free event sponsored by the Piney Flats Ruritan Club and takes place in the historic village near Mary Hughes School. There will be free food and also caroling in addition to the lighting. If you would like to donate cookies for this event, give them to Mary Lynn, or Larry, or Linda Smith.

SAVE THE DATE!: Plan to come to the church on Sat, Dec 2, @4:00, to decorate for the Advent season. We will be putting up the Christmas tree as well as the Nativity and hanging wreaths. All help is appreciated!

NEW BETHEL T-SHIRTS: T-shirts featuring our new logo are still available for purchase. There is a 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. (Continued on next page)

<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 United 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 2023 budget is shown below:

Weekly Budget Needs	\$1,165
November 12 th Offering	\$ 895
Difference	\$ -270
Other Giving	\$ 108
Year to Date	\$ -406