



Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church

September 15, 2024

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

BETHEL CHURCH

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

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Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Office is CLOSED on Fridays.

Staff

Pastor/Moderator: The Rev. Todd D. Smith

Music Director/Organist: Kirsten Fitzsimmons

Children's Youth & Family Program Coordinator: Chrissie Galliher

Office Manager: Kristen Hamann

Church Treasurer: Lynda McRee



*Our worship begins with the entering of the Light of Christ
Please silence all electronics and be prayerfully attentive to the quiet presence of God.
+ indicates standing; congregational readings/responses are shown in bold print.*

Gathering and Welcome

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Voluntary

Kirsten Fitzsimmons

Call to Worship

Steve Kauffman

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

People: .Come into his presence with singing.

Leader: His steadfast love endures forever, Let us worship God!

Hymn # 288

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, hear us as we confess our sin. Power beguiles us and we deem ourselves worthy. Our good works convince us that we can assure our salvation. We heap treasures about us as signs of merit and status, then build elaborate defenses to keep our prizes secure. Forgive the illusion of our own greatness, and in Christ humble us to receive your reward. Amen

(Silent prayer of confession)

The Lord's Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor Todd Smith

Gloria Patri



Community Mission Project: Sunflowers in Jarrettsville

Dates: Sept. 27 - Oct. 13th (depending on blooms)

Times: Friday hours 1-dusk Saturday and Sunday (9am-dusk)

- Churches and organizations are asked to volunteer and sign up to help with sunflower sales. Follow on Facebook at "Sunflowers in Jarrettsville MD" for more information. There are many ways that you can help
- **sign up** to donate cookies or brownies or donate money to buy supplies for our bakers. Each church is asked to provide 200 or more baggie. containing cookies or brownies or the like, filled amply with 3-4 cookies, no nuts or peanutbutter or anything that will melt in the heat or sun. We sell them for \$2 each, so please don't be skimpy

Questions? See Ruth Walker

Quilt Raffle

"Country Sunflowers"

Queen Size

\$5 - 1 ticket or \$10 - 3 tickets

Cash Only

Drawing to be held - Saturday,

October 19, 2024

Need not be present to win

Tickets will be sold in the Foyer
on Sundays



Church Leadership

Elders (Session) -- Meet 3rd Thursday
each month

2024	2025	2026
Krista Batchelor	Margie Fielder	Pete Capozzoli
David Hinkley	Carmie Messenger	Bob Dennison
Kirk Jones	Gary Lowe	Charles Henry

Deacons -- Meet 1st Monday each
month

2024	2025	2026
Jane Burgess	Donna Jones	Pat Chlebda
Sandy Louderback	Terri Schwarz	Rebecca Comaty
Rebecca Smith	MaryLee Swift	Gail Lowe

Trustees -- Meet 1st Tuesday each
month

2024	2025	2026
Bruce Batchelor	Dave Kirchner	Tim Sherwood
Jan Berlage	Sam Feilder	Brian Calary
R. Donald Scott	Bob Horn	Bruce Mattheiss
Greg Burgess	Steve Kauffman	Craig Messenger

Open and Close Trustee for
This week is Craig Messenger
Ushers this week
Terri Schwarz & Donna Jones

The 2024 Per Capita fee per congregation member is

\$40.00

**Please be sure to submit your portion
by the end of the year.**

Please write per capita in memo of check Thank you!

+ The Apostles' Creed

Pastor Todd Smith

+ Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Children's Message

Chrissie Galliher

Dismiss children through grade 4 to children's church

Prayer for Illumination

Steve Kauffman

First Lesson

Proverbs 10:20-33

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Lesson

James 3:1-12

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Pastor Todd Smith

Hymn # 355

Though I May Speak

Prayers of the People

Dave Hinkley

Offertory

Kirsten Fitzsimmons

+ Doxology 592

Hymn # 540

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

+ Benediction

Pastor Todd Smith

Postlude

Announcements

This Week at Bethel:

Last Week's attendance 74 (28)

Start of Sunday School - September 15th - 9:15-10:15am

September 15th - Cemetery Tour - noon

September 15th - Adult Zoom Bible Study, 6 pm

September 16th -BWG Bible Study, Foyer @ 10-11am

September 17th - Choir Practice, Sanctuary @ 6 pm

September 17th -Bridge Game, Fellowship Hall, @ 6:30 pm

September 17th - CE meeting 6:30pm

Pastor's Office hours: 10:30-2:30, Tuesday 17th 12:30-3:30pm,

Wednesday 19th 10:am-2pm , Friday 20th

Mason Dixon Collection

Mason Dixon is in need of personal hygiene products such as Deodorant, Shampoo and conditioner, Laundry soap, Depends (M) as well as Money towards the fuel fund (write Mason Dixon Fuel Fund in the memo)

per capita

Thank you to all who have sent in your per capita for 2024.

Based on our membership commitment made to the Presbytery last year we are still short \$2600. Please send in \$40 per person as soon as you are able so that we can meet our commitment.

Upcoming Events

- Cemetery Tour - September 15th
- Mandatory SS teacher Security Training- September 22
- Sunflowers in Jarrettsville -September 27th-Oct 13th
- Favorite Hymns - October and November
- Church Picnic - October 6th
- Church Bazaar - October 19th
- Blitzen Bingo- December 7th

Bethel Joys & Concerns:

Happy Birthday: Bob Horn, David Hinkley, Bruce Mattheiss, Chuck Saneman, Nancy Berigtold

Happy Anniversary: Tony & Deborah Saneman

Please keep the following in your prayers this week:

Sandy Louderback

Ted McRee

Family of Marianna Putnam

Monica Hamann, MIL of Kristen Hamann

Kaitlin Keefer

Betty Jane Foard

Bob Brokaw, brother of Donna Toole

Anne Sturtevant

Pat Denbow

Mary Martha Rutledge

Marilyn Bradford

Beverly Schmidt

Henry Kraft, grandson of Gail & David

Thomas

Joppatown Community

Carol Hays, friend of Nancy Mory

Norma Kirkwood

Family of Diederik Thiessen

Bob Jacobs. friend of Nancy Alexander

Jane Wilson Branham friend of Nancy

Alexander

Joan Adams

Victor Barbara

Pat Haslinger

Christine Zurenko Friend of Dan & Mary Beth

Scott

Carolyn Mattheiss

Ed Chwalek - Friend of Bruce Mattheiss

Sandy Louderback

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