

BETHEL CHURCH

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Office Hours

Monday 10:30–2:30 pm; Tuesday 8:00–1:00 pm Wednesday 12:30–3:30 pm; Thursday 8:00–2:30 pm Office is CLOSED on Fridays

Staff

Pastor/Moderator: Pastor Todd D. Smith

Music Director/Organist: Kirsten Fitzsimmons

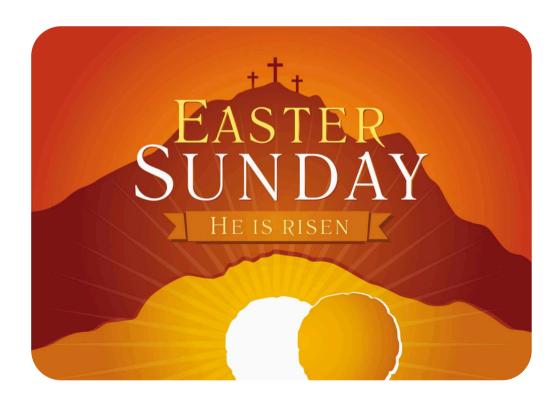
Children's Youth & Family Program Coordinator: Chrissie Galliher

Office Manager: Kelly McLaughlin Church Treasurer: Lynda McRee

Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church

April 20, 2025

Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m.



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

The Reverend Dr. George Toole

Leader: Sisters and brothers in Christ, take your places here today in celebration and in awe.

People: What you are about to hear again, has the capacity to change the world. Your very presence attests to the rising up of life from the tomb of despair, and to the uncontrollable power of God.

Leader: It is Easter morning again: and we will celebrate.

Hymn #123

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Prayer of Confession

The Reverend Dr. George Toole

Glorious God, You have always known that our sinful disobedience is serious enough to bring history and creation to complete destruction. You have cared enough to provide the only possible way of survival in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Part of Your perfect Easter plan is too mysterious for us to understand, but this part is clear: "You love the world so much You sent Your only Son, that whoever believes in Him might not perish but have everlasting life." Forgive us for not taking our own sin seriously enough. Forgive us for not embracing Your Son more wholeheartedly. Forgive us for not trusting Your love in the way we live each day. For we ask it in the Name of Jesus, our triumphant King of kings and our Risen Lord of lords.

(Silent prayer of confession)



Church Leadership

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

2025	2026	2027
Margie Fielder	Pete Capozzoli	Marsha Brooks
Carmie Messenger	Bob Dennison	Dave Hinkley
Gary Lowe	Charles Henry	Krista Batchelor

Deacons -- Meet 1st Monday each month

2025	2026	2027
Donna Jones	Pat Chlebda	Rebecca Smith
Terri Schwarz	Rebecca Comaty	Lynda McRee
MaryLee Swift	Jen Seiler	Jane Burgess
Pam Sherwood	Gail Lowe	Laurie Falkner

Trustees -- Meet 1st Tuesday each

month

2025	2026	2027
Dave Kirchner	Tim Sherwood	Jan Berlage
Sam Fielder	Brian Calary	Bruce Batchelor
Bob Horn	Bruce Mattheiss	Greg Burgess
Steve Kauffman	Craig Messenger	R. Donald Scott
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Open and Close Trustee for This week is Bruce Batchelor Ushers this week Marsha Brooks and Nancy Mory

The 2025 Per Capita fee per congregation member is \$42.00

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

Please write per capita in memo of check. Thank you!

Assurance of Pardon		The Reverend Dr. George Toole
Gloria Patri		
+The Apostles' Creed		Pastor Todd Smith
+ Passing the Peace	The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.	
Children's Lesson		Chrissie Galliher
Prayer for Illumination		Pastor Todd Smith
First Lesson	Acts 10:35-43	The Reverend Dr. George Toole
	This is the Word of the Lord. TI	hanks be to God.
Second Lesson	John 20:1-18	Pastor Todd Smith
	This is the Word of the Lord. T	hanks be to God.
Sermon		Pastor Todd Smith
Hymn #108	Christ is Alive!	
Prayers of the People		The Reverend Dr. George Toole
Offertory	Christ the Lord Is Risen	Today! Chancel Choir
+ Doxology 592		
+ Hymn #302	I Danced in the Morn	ning
+ Benediction		Pastor Todd Smith

Kirsten Fitzsimmons

Postlude

Announcements

This Week at Bethel:

Last Week's attendance 91/(33)

April 21st - BWG Bible Study, Foyer @ 10-11 am

April 21st - AARP Board Meeting, Fellowship Hall @ 1:00 pm

April 22nd - Choir Practice, Sanctuary @ 6:30 pm

April 22nd - Bridge Game, Fellowship Hall @ 6:30 pm

April 24th - Session Meeting @ 7:00 pm

April 27th - Sunday School @ 9:15 am

April 27th - Worship Service @ 10:30 am

April 27th - Coffee Hour @ 12:00 pm

April 27th - Bethel Men's Chorus practice @ 11:30 am

Pastor Todd's office hours this week: April 21 & 24, 10-2 pm; April 23, 12:30-3:30 pm

Card Shower - April

Polly Winskowski - 89th birthday - April 26th



Upcoming Events

- Lions Carnival Jarrettsville Carnival Grounds, May 2nd-May 10th
- Bingo May 17th
- Cemetery Tour May 18th

Bethel Joys & Concerns

Happy Birthday: Carol Himmer, Stephen Kauffman, Jr., Michael Scott, Emma Clayton, Jason Reep, Bailey Saneman, Corbin Rowley

Please keep the following in your prayers this week:

Charlynn Loiacono, Friend of Prevettes

Lynda McRee

Gina Penland, Friend of Don Scott

Kay Geisler, friend of Gail Lowe

Jakob Shreck

Susan Wyatt

Heidi Nash

Betty Jane Foard

Mary Martha Rutledge

Marylin Bradford

Carolyn Mattheiss

Christine Zurenko, Friend of Dan & Mary

Beth Scott

Family of Carol Vance, cousin of Terri

Schwarz

Tom Raab

Kathy Mullins Jones, Friend of Kristin Comer

Jack Rogers

Andy Brooks

Myla Mann

Shirley Grove, Friend of Scotts

John Sullivan

Darlene Shuttlesworth, Sister of Nancy

Cowman

Linda Berberich- Sam Brooks Sister

Bob Jacobs, friend of Nancy Alexander

Jane Wilson Branham, friend of Nancy

Alexander

Jordan Riddick and family



Please continue to use the prayer cards in the back of the pews for prayer requests. You may also email the office.