



BETHEL CHURCH

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

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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: The Rev. 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

May 18, 2025

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Children's Day



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

Bob Horn

Leader: O God, Your name is majestic in all the earth, Your glory is chanted above the heavens.

People: You have crowned your people with glory and honor; we give you all praise in response to your grace.

Leader: Let us worship God!

+ Hymn #118

The Day of Resurrection

Prayer of Confession

Eternal and loving Father, You comfort, support, and encourage us. Your goodness and kindness go beyond our understanding. Your grace is richer and deeper than we can begin to comprehend. Yet despite Your gracious love and faithful care, we seek to go our own way and to trust our own resources. Time after time, we choose our plans over Your will. Over and over again, our pride, self-reliance, and self-centeredness lead us astray. We confess we are sinners in need of forgiveness. We admit we are flawed, broken people in need of mercy. Through the person and work of Jesus Christ, forgive us for all the times we have failed You. Cleanse our hearts and make them fresh and new. Renew our minds for Your Kingdom's sake. Empower us to be Your Son's disciples for His glory. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

(Silent prayer of confession)

The Lord's Prayer



CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION
FOR THE
M.P. MÖLLER PIPE ORGAN
at
GROVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Sunday, May 18, 2025
3 p.m.

COME AND SPEND AN HOUR
WITH OUR HISTORIC PIPE ORGAN
AS WE CELEBRATE
THIS MILESTONE BIRTHDAY!

Local organists will provide a
FESTIVE CONCERT
to showcase the instrument.

A fellowship reception will follow.

The concert is free and open to the public.

Grove Presbyterian Church, 50 E. Bel Air Avenue, Aberdeen, MD 21001
410-272-0896, grovechurch@gmail.com, grovepc.org

Bethel Presbyterian Church
Flea Markets for 2025
Saturdays: June 14, July 12,
August 9, September 13



8AM – 2PM on the Bethel Church Parking Lot
4135 Norrisville Road, White Hall, MD 21161

Concessions Available, Baked Goods for Sale

Spaces Available * \$25 per Space * Pre-Registration Required

For registration forms contact the Church Office

At 410.692.5282 or email churchoffice@bethel-md.org

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 Comatz	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

Open and Close Trustee for
This week is Sam Fielder
Ushers this week
Donna Jones & Terri Schwarz

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

Pastor Todd Smith

+ Gloria Patri

+The Apostles' Creed

+ Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Children's Lesson

Chrissie Galliher

Prayer for Illumination

Bob Horn

First Lesson

John 13:31-35

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

Second Lesson

Acts 11:1-18

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

Sermon

Pastor Todd Smith

Hymn #376

Love Divine All Loves Excelling

Prayers of the People

Bob Horn

Offertory

I've Got the Joy

Children's Choir

+ Doxology 592

+ Hymn (Insert)

My Lord, What a Morning

+ Benediction

Pastor Todd Smith

Postlude

Kirsten Fitzsimmons

Announcements

This Week at Bethel:

Last Week's attendance 80/(33)

May 18th - Women's Choir practice @ 12:00 pm
May 18th - Cemetery Tour @ 12:00 pm
May 19th - BWG Bible Study, Foyer @ 10-11 am
May 19th - AARP Meeting @ 1:00 pm
May 19th - Safety & Security Meeting @ 7:00 pm
May 20th - Choir Practice, Sanctuary @ 6:30 pm
May 20th - Bridge Game, Fellowship Hall @ 6:30 pm
May 20th - Mission Meeting @ 5:00 pm
May 21st - Admin/Personnel Meeting @ 7:00 pm
May 22nd - Session Meeting @ 7:00 pm
May 25th - Sunday School @ 9:15 am
May 25th - Worship Service, Sanctuary @ 10:30 am



Card Shower - May

Mary Ellen Reeves - May 26th
Sophie Tudor-Smith (Todd's daughter) - graduating high school
Bonnie Ruth Ann Behner - Baptism - May 25th

Upcoming Events

- Movie Night - June 7th @ Sight & Sound
- Flea Market - June 14th
- Cemetery Tour - June 22nd

Bethel Joys & Concerns

Happy Birthday: Eddie Calary, Tanya Mattheiss, Linley Morrow, Jennifer Thomson, Cooper Swinscoe, Amy Kauffman

Happy Anniversary: Chet Feldmann & Kristin Kirkwood, Jack & Nancy Mory

Please keep the following in your prayers this week:

Charlynn Loiacono, friend of Prevettes	Tom Raab
Lynda McRee	Kathy Mullins Jones, friend of Kristin Comer
Gina Penland, friend of Don Scott	Andy Brooks
Kay Geisler, friend of Gail Lowe	Myla Mann
Jakob Shreck	Shirley Grove, friend of Scotts
Janice May	John Sullivan
Penny Goode	Darlene Shuttlesworth, sister of Nancy Cowman
Susan Wyatt	Linda Berberich- sister of Sam Brooks
Heidi Nash	Jordan Riddick and family
Betty Jane Foard	Rosanna Ringer, niece of Nancy Berigtold
Mary Martha Rutledge	Susan Merk, friend of Dave Kirchner
Marylin Bradford	Dan Kelleher, Brother-in-law of Jack & Betty Rogers
Carolyn Mattheiss	Patti Hushon, sister of Dave Thomas
Christine Zurenko, friend of Dan & Mary Beth Scott	
Brandon, friend of Terri Schwarz	



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