

BETHEL CHURCH

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Office Hours

Monday 8:30–12:30 pm; Tuesday 8:00–4:00 pm Wednesday 1:30–7:00 pm; Thursday 8:00–4:00 pm Office is CLOSED on Fridays

Staff

Pastor/Moderator: Rev. Steve Nofel

Music Director/Organist: Kirsten Fitzsimmons

Children's Youth & Family Program Coordinator: Chrissie Galliher

Office Manager: Kelly McLaughlin Church Treasurer: Bruce Batchelor

Online Giving



Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church

September 21, 2025

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 and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ is with you. And

And also with you.

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Voluntary / Lighting of the Candles

Kirsten Fitzsimmons

Call to Worship Nancy Mory

Leader: In Jesus Christ, mercy and truth have met together;

People: Righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Leader: Truth shall spring up from the earth.

People: And righteousness shall look down from heaven.

+ Hymn #482

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we pray for your church. Fill us with all truth in all peace. When we are in error, direct us; when we do anything wrong, reform us. Strengthen us to do what you want; when we are divided, reunite us. Forgive and heal us. We pray for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Savior.

(Silent prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon Pastor Steve Nofel

Leader: Believe the Good News of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

+ Gloria Patri

The 4 Seasons Vendor Craft Bazaar Saturday, October 18, 2025 at Bethel Church 9AM -2PM



Crafts for all seasons, food, music, raffle, baked goods
Vendors wanted: \$25
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 Comaty	Jane Burgess
MaryLee Swift	Jen Seiler	Laurie Falkner
Pam Sherwood	Gail Lowe	

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 Jan Berlage Ushers this week Marsha Brooks & Bruce Mattheiss

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!

+ The Apostles' Creed

+ Passing the Peace The peace of Christ is with you. And also with you.

Time with Young Disciples Chrissie Galliher

Prayer for Illumination Nancy Mory

First Lesson John 18:33–38

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

Second Lesson Matthew 5:37

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

Sermon To Tell the Truth Pastor Steve Nofel

+ Hymn #324 Open My Eyes

Prayers of the People Nancy Mory

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory Kirsten Fitzsimmons

+ Doxology 592

+ Prayer of Dedication

+ Hymn #423 Jesus Shall Reign

+ Benediction Pastor Steve Nofel

Postlude Kirsten Fitzsimmons

Announcements

This Week at Bethel:

Last Week's attendance - 72/(21)

September 22nd - Women's Bible Study @ 10:00 am

September 23rd - Choir Practice @ 6:00 pm

September 23rd - Bridge Game, Fellowship Hall @ 6:30 pm

September 24th - Website Committee Meeting @ 8:00 pm

September 26th - Sunflower Fields opening

September 28th - Sunday School @ 9:15 am

September 28th – Worship Service, Sanctuary @ 10:30 am September 28th – Coffee Hour by the Trustees @ 11:30 am

*Pastor Steve will be out of the office Sept. 22nd through Oct. 2nd for continuing education and vacation



Card Shower

- Nancy Berigtold (85th birthday) 20th
- David Thomas (70th birthday) 24th



- 4 Seasons Craft Bazaar October 18th
- Blitzen Bingo December 6th

Bethel Joys & Concerns

Happy Birthday: Kathy Fowler, Christopher Mitchell, Sally Campbell, Sawyer

Swinscoe, Donna Toole, David Thomas, Keith Comer

Happy Anniversary: Steve & Rebecca Comaty

Please keep the following in your prayers this week:

Charlynn Loiacono, friend of Prevettes

Gina Penland, friend of Don Scott

Kay Geisler, friend of Gail Lowe

Susan Wyatt

Heidi Nash

Betty Jane Foard

Mary Martha Rutledge

Marylin Bradford Carolyn Mattheiss

Christine Zurenko, friend of Dan &

Mary Beth Scott

Brandon, friend of Terri Schwarz

Shirley Gillis on her hip replacement

Family & friends of Bill Poole

Jay & Orsia Young

Tom Raab

Kathy Mullins Jones, friend of Kristin Comer

Shirley Grove, friend of Scotts

John Sullivan

Jordan Riddick and family

Anne Murk, friend of Dave Kirchner

Ned Cockey and family

The Kriebel Family

Karen Ritz, friend of Gail & Dave Thomas

Families in Texas

Chuck King, friend of Nancy & Jack Mory

Frank Able, father of Tanya Mattheiss

Carol Himmer

Family & friends of John Cairnes

Family & friends of Wes Troyer

Gail Lowe Sam Brooks

Fred Miller

Randee Kerns, friend of Thomas Slevin, Jr.

Lillian Skidmore and family on death

of her son, John Skidmore

Tucker Edwards

Jeff Frith, neighbor of Dave Hinkley

Darlene Shuttlesworth, sister of Nancy Cowman



Please continue to use the prayer cards in the back of the pews for prayer requests.

You may also email the office.