



BETHEL CHURCH

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Monday 8:30-12:30 pm; Tuesday 8:00-4:00 pm

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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

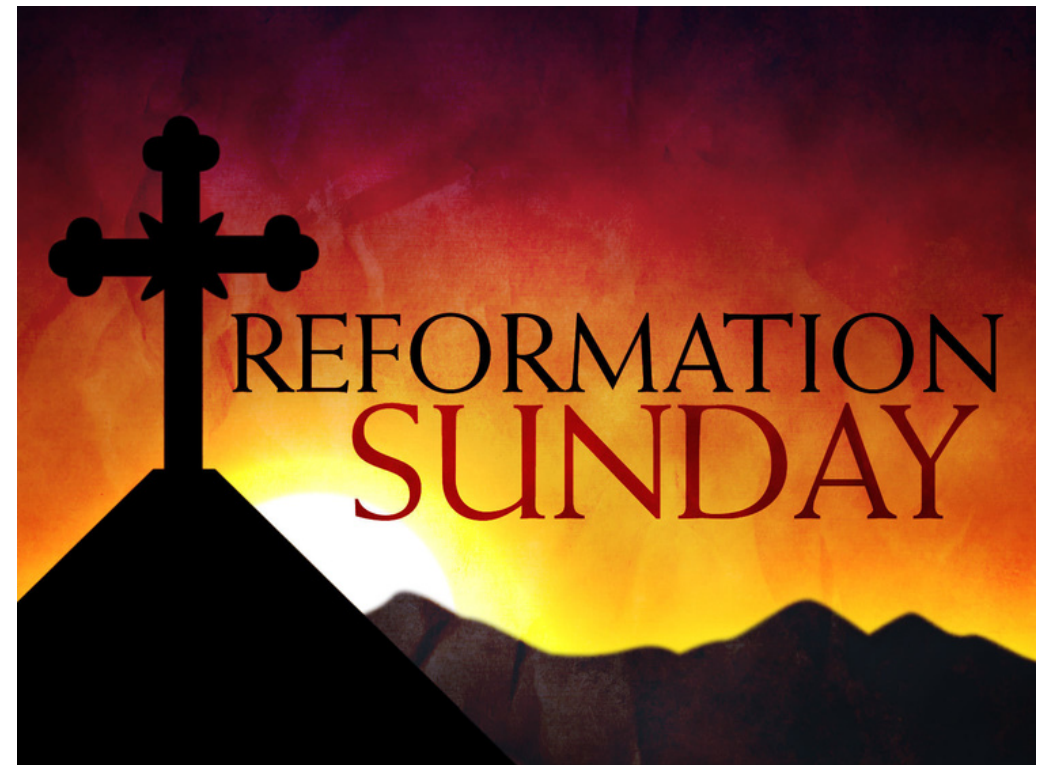
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Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church

October 26, 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 also with you.**

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Minute for Church Jason Reep, Outreach & Growth Committee

Announcements

Voluntary/Lighting of the Candles

Call to Worship Nancy Mory

Leader: The earth is the Lord’s and all that is in it, the world and those who live in it.
People: What shall we return to the Lord for all the good things God has done for us?
Leader: We will lift the cup of salvation
People: And call on the name of the Lord.

+ Hymn #260 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God requested by Christine Capozzoli

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you forgive the sins of all who repent. Create in us new and contrite hearts, that truly repenting of our sins, and acknowledging our brokenness, we may know all mercy is from you, the God of perfect love, full pardon and forgiveness.

(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

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 Dave Kirchner
Ushers this week
Dave Hinkley & 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!

Bethel Concerns

Please keep the following in your prayers this week:

Kay Geisler, friend of Gail Lowe
Kathy Mullins Jones, friend of Kristin Comer
Chuck King, friend of Nancy & Jack Mory
Carolyn Mattheiss, wife of Bruce Mattheiss
Gail Lowe
Randee Kerns, friend of Thomas Slevin, Jr.
Tucker Edwards, 11 yr. old fighting cancer, friend of Avalyn Comer
Jeff Frith, neighbor of Dave Hinkley
Friend of Andi Holmes
Patty Mory, sister of Jack Mory
Craig Messenger & his family on the death of Craig's father
Dr. Moe Howard, former Director of Music
Bonnie Six, friend of Don Scott
Kristen Hamann & family on the death of their son





Organ flowers are in loving memory of
Frank and Sandy Hughes
with love from
Malcolm and Jenny



+ 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	Luke 11:9-10	
	This is the Word of the Lord.	Thanks be to God.
Second Lesson	Matthew 7:7-8	
	This is the Word of the Lord.	Thanks be to God.
Sermon	Knock, Knock, Who's There?	Pastor Steve Nofel
+ Hymn #276	<i>Great is Thy Faithfulness</i>	requested by Margie Fielder
Prayers of the People		Nancy Mory
The Lord's Prayer		
Offertory		Chancel Choir
+ Doxology 592		
+ Prayer of Dedication		
+ Hymn #315	<i>Every Time I Feel the Spirit</i>	
+ Benediction		Pastor Steve Nofel
Postlude		Kirsten Fitzsimmons



Zoom Sunday Study
November 2, 9, 16, 23
7pm – 8pm

Led by Pastor Steve Nofel

Based on the book, “Experiencing God: Unlock Your Distinct Way of Connecting with God” by Trey Dixon.

“This short, easy to read book highlights how we can feel God's presence in our daily lives. It helps you discover your touchpoints in this spiritual quest by introducing the ten primary pathways to experiencing God: Worship and Immersing in His glory.”

Dixon explores ten ways to connect with God.

- Prayer:** Engaging in personal dialogue with the God.
- Community:** Finding strength and fellowship among believers.
- Scripture:** Seeking guidance and comfort in God’s words.
- Giving:** Expressing love through generosity.
- Serving:** Acting as our Lord’s hands and feet in the world.
- Nature:** Observing God’s majesty in the world around us.
- Creating:** Reflecting God’s beauty through our creativity.
- Teaching:** Sharing and gaining wisdom.
- Tradition:** Honoring our spiritual heritage

All are welcome. Be on the lookout for links to purchase the book, the Zoom link and a short survey to get our conversation started.

October 2025					
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
26 9-15am Sunday School 10-30am Worship	27 10am BWG Bible Study	28 6pm Choir Practice 6:30pm Bridge Game	29	30 5pm Ladies of Bethel Gathering	31 
November 2025					
1 FALL CLEAN UP DAY					
2 9am Breakfast Bunch 9-15am Sunday School 10-30am All Saints Service / Communion 11-30am Coffee Hour 7pm Zoom Sunday Study	3 10am BWG Bible Study 7pm Deacons Mtg.	4 AARP using parking lot 6pm Choir Practice 6:30pm Bridge Game 6pm Finance Mtg. 7pm Trustees Mtg.	5 AARP using parking lot	6 AARP using parking lot	7 AARP using parking lot
9 9-15am Sunday School 10-30am Worship 6pm 4-H Meeting 7pm Zoom Sunday Study	10 10am BWG Bible Study 1pm AARP Board Mtg. 3-4:5pm Mission Mtg. 7pm Nom. Committee	11 4:30pm Worship/Music Mtg. 6pm Choir Practice 6:30pm Bridge Game	12 AARP using parking lot 6pm Outreach Mtg.	13 AARP using parking lot	14 AARP using parking lot
16 9am Breakfast Bunch 9-15am Sunday School 10-30am Worship 12pm Christian Ed Mtg 1-30pm Eagle Scout 7pm Zoom Sunday Study	17 10am BWG Bible Study	18 8am Thanksgiving Food Boxes (Christ Our King) 6pm Choir Practice 6pm Sunday School Family Thanksgiving 6:30pm Bridge Game	19 7pm Website Mtg.	20 7pm Session Mtg.	21 7pm Session Mtg.
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Announcements

This Week at Bethel:

Last Week's attendance - 83/(7)

October 27th - Women's Bible Study @ 10:00 am

October 27th - Safety & Security meeting @ 7:00 pm

October 28th - Choir Practice @ 6:00 pm

October 28th - Bridge Game, Fellowship Hall @ 6:30 pm

October 29th - Ladies of Bethel Gathering, Fire Pit @ 5:00 pm

November 1st - Fall Clean Up Day

November 2nd - Breakfast Bunch @ 9:00 am

November 2nd - Sunday School @ 9:15 am

November 2nd - Worship Service, Sanctuary @ 10:30 am



- 2025 Christmas Fundraiser - now through Nov. 16th (*forms in back of church*)
- Zoom Sunday Study - November 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd
- Harvest Home - November 9th
- Dinner & a Movie - November 9th (*at Susquehanna Parish*)
- Thanksgiving Food Boxes - November 18th (*at Christ Our King*)
- Sunday School Family Thanksgiving - November 18th
- Advent Luncheon - November 30th
- NO SUNDAY SCHOOL - November 30th
- Blitzzen Bingo - December 6th
- Wreaths Across America (Troop 265) - December 13th
- Christmas Pageant - December 14th
- NO SUNDAY SCHOOL - December 28th



*In this season of harvest and abundance, we invite you to share with those in need by bringing donations to the Sanctuary on **Sunday, November 9th**. All items will be delivered to Mason-Dixon Community Services to help provide Thanksgiving meals and essential supplies for families in our community.*

They are especially in need of:

- *Items for a traditional Thanksgiving dinner*
- *Paper products*
- *Personal hygiene items*

*May your kindness and generosity be a blessing to others,
and to you as well. ❤️*

Thank you for giving with a loving heart!

Shoe Tree



This
Christmas season,
we invite you to help
support Mason-Dixon Community
Services through our annual

Shoe Tree outreach! Our Shoe Tree,
that will be located in the back of the church,
will be decorated with empty envelopes representing
children in our community who are in need of shoes.
Simply take an envelope from the tree, place your
monetary donation inside, and return it in the offering
plate during worship. All donations will be used to
purchase new shoes for local children and families served
by Mason-Dixon Community Services.

Your generosity will help bring warmth, comfort, and
hope to those in need this holiday season.

Donations will be collected starting **November 16th.**

Thank you for sharing God's love in such
a meaningful way!



- Rhiannon Thomson - Oct. 29th
- Carmie Messenger - Nov. 2nd
- Christian Sachs - Nov. 2nd

Card Shower



- Marilyn Bradford
- George Denbow
- Lillian Skidmore
- Polly Winskowski
- Shirley Gillis
- Dr. Moe Howard





3rd Annual Blitzen Bingo

December 6th

Tickets \$25 ; \$30 At Door

Doors open at 5pm

Game starts at 6pm

Bingo round prizes : \$50 Gift card to a local store or restaurant

Door prizes will be awarded and 50/50 Raffle

Food & Bingo supplies will be available for purchase

**Only 100 tickets available for purchase; contact
churchoffice@bethel-md.org or 410-692-5282**

**To purchase via venmo send to Bethel Presbyterian:
@BPCWhiteHall-MD**

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The Thanksgiving Boxes Mission will be held on ...

Saturday, November 22nd at

Christ Our King Church

10 Lexington Road

Bel Air, Maryland

at 8:30 a.m. or 9:30 a.m.

Please go to <https://christourking.net/giving-boxes> to sign up.

Many churches from Harford, Baltimore and Cecil Counties participate in this worthy project. It is a well-represented function that everyone looks forward to each year and enjoys the reunion of seeing each other as we seek to meet our goal of assembling 1,200+ boxes of food.

Advent Luncheon



Sunday, November 30, 2025

Join us after the Worship Service for:

*Soup, BBQ & bread

*Advent Devotional

*A sing-along with your favorite carols

*Music provided by Mary Lee Swift

Please sign up for food in the foyer

RSVP to Church office by Nov 23rd



Saturday, December 13th marks this year's **Wreaths Across America** event. Scouts BSA Troop 265 will once again lead the ceremony and place wreaths on the graves of over 170 veterans resting in Bethel's cemetery.

The Scouts invite and deeply appreciate your support in sponsoring a wreath for \$17.00, helping ensure that every veteran is remembered and honored this Christmas season.

The deadline to sponsor a wreath for inclusion in this year's ceremony is November 30th.

Details about the December event schedule will be shared as the date approaches.

To sponsor, please use the provided link, QR code, or paper form (located in the foyer), and be sure to include Bethel's location code: MDBPCC.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support in honoring our heroes.

<https://wreathsassamerica.org/pages/170763/Overview>

