



### **BETHEL CHURCH**

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

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#### **Office Hours**

Tuesday 8:00–5:00 pm

Thursday 8:00–5:00 pm

#### **Staff**

Music Director/Organist: Kirsten Fitzsimmons

Children's Youth & Family Program Coordinator: Chrissie Galliher

Office Manager: Kelly McLaughlin

Church Treasurer: Bruce Batchelor

Online Giving

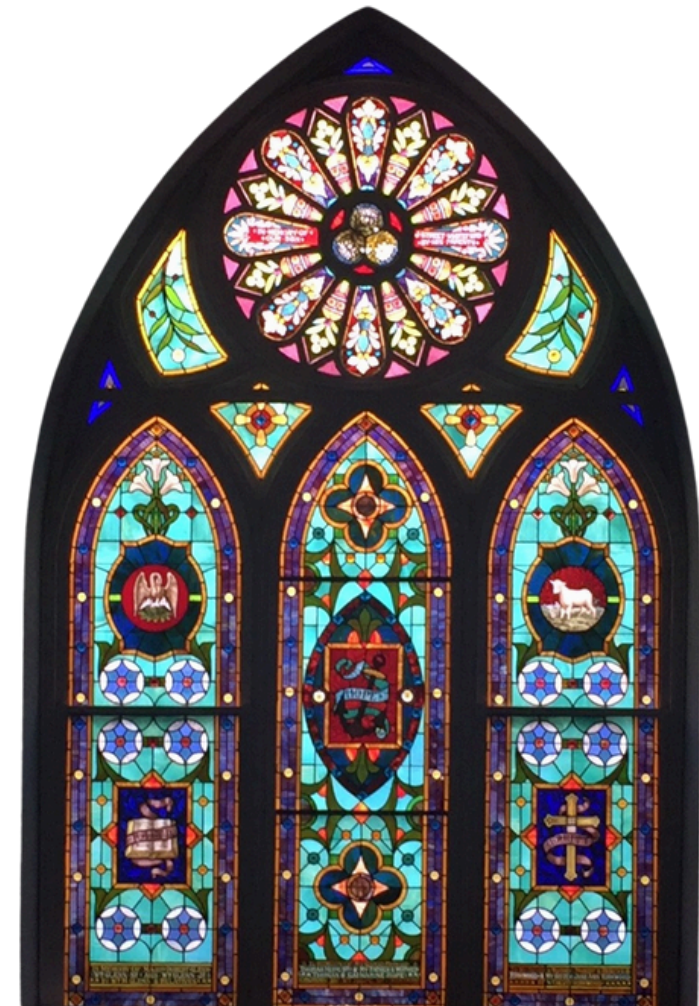


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# Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church

February 15, 2026

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.**

Announcements

Voluntary / Lighting of the Church Candles

Call to Worship Steve Kauffman

Leader: Lord God, we come to thank you for all your blessings and honor you with our hymns of praise. Make us aware of your presence among us and accept our worship, we pray.  
**People: Make us one people through the gift of Jesus Christ, your Son, and renew in our lives a strong purpose to our discipleship in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

+ Hymn #147 Blessing and Honor

Prayer of Confession Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

**Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you in full. You call but often we do not listen. We have gone along with evil, with prejudice, warfare, and greed. Help us to face up to ourselves, so that as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness you offer in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*(Silent prayer of confession)*

Assurance of Pardon Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

Leader: Who is in a position to condemn us?  
**People: Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

+ Gloria Patri

+ The Apostles' Creed

Church Leadership

Elders (Session)

Meet 3rd Thursday each month

|                |                  |                 |
|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 2026           | 2027             | 2028            |
| Pete Capozzoli | Marsha Brooks    | Margie Fielder  |
| Bob Dennison   | Dave Hinkley     | Robert Horn     |
| Charles Henry  | Krista Batchelor | R. Donald Scott |

Deacons

Meet 1st Monday each month

|                |                |              |
|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| 2026           | 2027           | 2028         |
| Pat Chlelda    | Rebecca Smith  | Pam Sherwood |
| Rebecca Comaty | Jane Burgess   | Lisa Calary  |
| Jen Seiler     | Laurie Falkner | Gail Thomas  |
| Gail Lowe      |                | Amy Ford     |

Trustees

Meet 1st Tuesday each month

|                 |                 |                |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 2026            | 2027            | 2028           |
| Tim Sherwood    | Jan Berlage     | Steve Kauffman |
| Brian Calary    | Bruce Batchelor | Steve Comaty   |
| Bruce Mattheiss | Greg Burgess    | Sam Fielder    |
| Craig Messenger |                 | Dave Kirchner  |
|                 |                 | Gary Lowe      |

Open and Close Trustee for  
This month is Brian Calary  
Ushers this week  
Sam & Marsha Brooks

The 2026 Per Capita fee per congregation member is **\$45.00**  
Please be sure to submit your portion  
by the end of the year.  
Please write per capita in memo of check. Thank you!



# Bethel's Helping Hands

Community Outreach with Heart

Bethel's Helping Hands is a caring, needs-based ministry created to support our neighbors who may be facing extra burdens right now. Whether due to age, health, limited resources, or simply being unable to manage certain tasks alone, we want to offer practical help with a compassionate heart.

## Ways We Can Help

- Light household chores
- Small home or yard tasks
- Simple maintenance needs
- Organization projects
- Other small acts of care that make life a little easier

If you, or someone you know, could be blessed by this ministry, please reach out. Every request is received with kindness, respect, and confidentiality. We are honored to serve you.

Because Community Means Caring for One Another



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+ Passing the Peace

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

Time with Young Disciples

Chrissie Galliher

Installation of Elders, Deacons and Recognition of Trustees

Prayer for Illumination

Steve Kauffman

First Lesson

Psalms 106:1-5

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

Second Lesson

Matthew 13:44-46

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

Sermon

Antiques in the Attic?

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

+ Hymn #387

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Steve Kauffman

## The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

+ Doxology 592

+ Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

+ Hymn #417

*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

+ Benediction

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

Postlude



# Bethel Concerns

## Please keep the following in your prayers this week:

Carolyn Mattheiss, wife of Bruce Mattheiss

Tucker Edwards, 11 yr. old fighting cancer, friend of Avalyn Comer

Bonnie Six, friend of Don Scott

Sam Brooks

Carolyn Bowers, friend of Andi Holmes

Susan Wyatt

John Louderback

Steve Bevard, friend of Bethel & member of AARP

Mr. & Mrs. Slevin, Tom's parents

Thomas Garrison

Sarah Milich

Maddie, great-niece of Gary & Gail Lowe

Travis Johnson, nephew of Pat & Chris Chlebda

Kathy Mullins Jones

Art Gompf, friend of Steve Kauffman

David Rose

Kathleen Cody, friend of Gail & Dave Thomas

Vicki Davis, member of the Bridge Group

Debbie Cary, friend of Judy Bolke

The family of Jim Butcher

Garry & Martha Smithson

Linda Cummings, friend of Andi Holmes

Grandfather & Grandmother of RJ Wines

Sue Hinkley



Organ flowers are in loving memory of  
Frank & Sandy Hughes  
with love from Jenny & Malcom



## Bethel Church Spaghetti Dinner

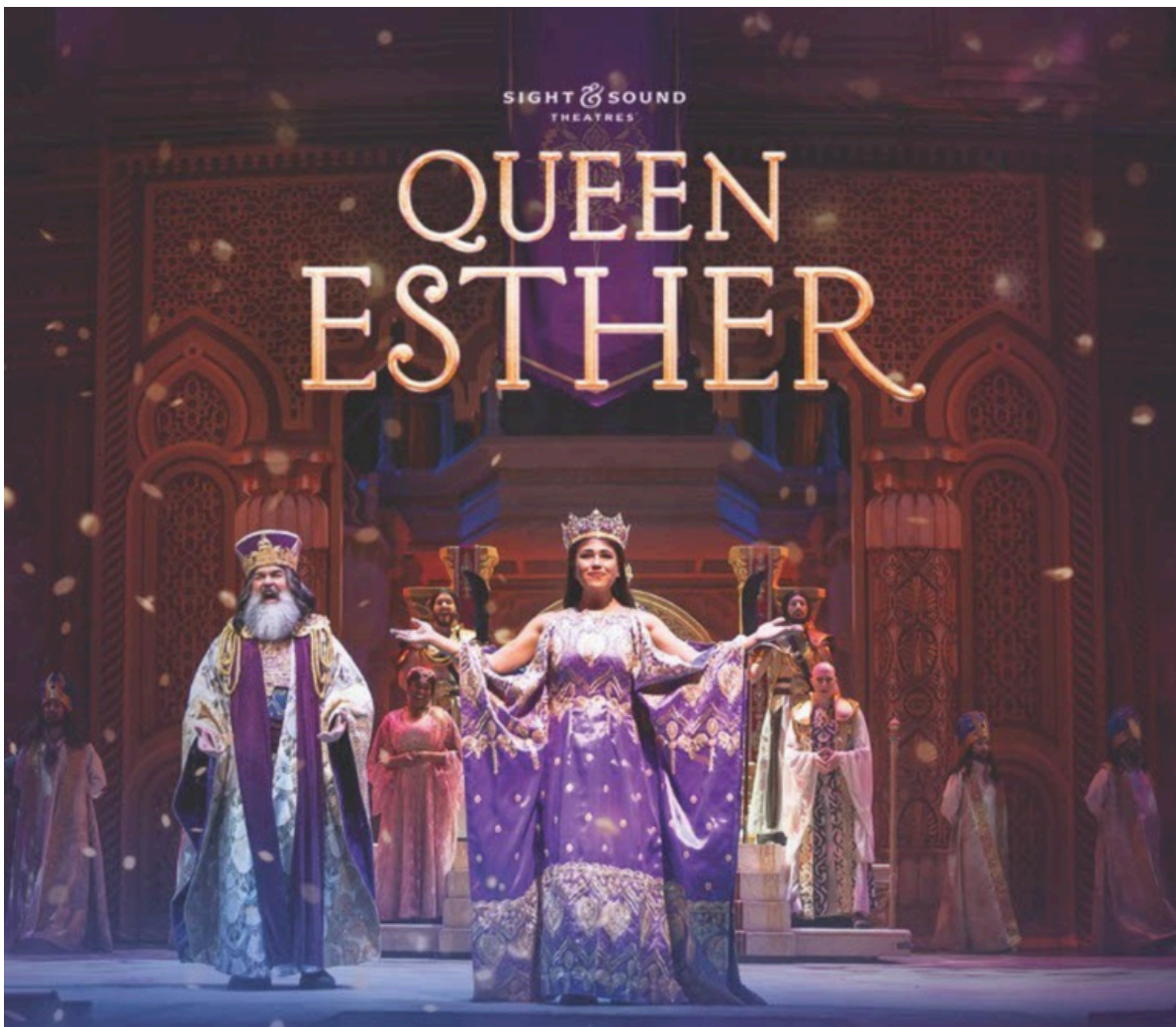
Saturday - March 28<sup>th</sup>  
5:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Mark your calendars for this fun filled evening  
hosted by the Bethel Men's Association

They will be preparing delicious Italian cuisine  
accompanied by the entertainment of  
Karaoke Music with Susie Horn

Adults - \$15 per person      Children 12 & Under - \$10  
*Carry out is available*

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The Bethel Women's Group Presents

### **MOVIE NIGHT**

**Saturday, February 21, 2025**

Potluck Dinner at 5:00 PM

Movie Begins at 6:00 PM

Join us for an evening filled with cinematic delight!  
This is a community-wide event—everyone is welcome!  
A family-friendly experience suitable for all ages!

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For more information, contact

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Gail Thomas - Feb. 16th

Gregory Thomas - Feb. 16th

Celia Morrow - Feb. 17th

Shelby Jones - Feb. 20th



Dave & Sue Hinkley - Feb. 16th

### **Card Shower**

Rev. Dr. George Toole - Feb. 1st

4230 Harford Creamery Road

White Hall, MD 21161

Ruth Walker - Feb. 24th

4528 Norrisville Road

White Hall, MD 21161



The Louderbacks - Thinking of You

4114 Crown Hill Road

Jarrettsville, MD 21084

*\*The Deacon's Committee has provided a selection of notecards in the foyer for anyone who would like to send a card.*



# Announcements

## **This Week at Bethel:**

[Last Week's attendance - 93/\(33\)](#)

February 16th - Women's Bible Study @ 10:00 am

February 17th - Choir Practice @ 6:00 pm

February 17th - Bridge Game, Fellowship Hall @ 6:00 pm

February 17th - Christian Education Meeting @ 7:00 pm

February 18th - Ash Wednesday Service @ 6:00 pm

February 19th - Session Meeting @ 7:00 pm

February 21st - Dinner & a Movie @ 5:00 pm

February 15th - Sunday School @ 9:30 am in CE Wing

February 15th - Worship Service @ 10:30 am

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

March 8th - Congregational Luncheon & Meeting @ 11:30 am

March 28th - Spaghetti Dinner @ 5:00 p.m.

April 2nd - Maundy Thursday

April 19th - Congregational Luncheon & Meeting @ 11:30 am

May 16<sup>th</sup> - Bon Appetit Bingo

May 17th - Children's Day

May 31st - Graduate Sunday

July 8-10th - Vacation Bible School



## **Dates & Topics**

**February 15:** *What is Bethel's History?*

**March 8:** *Where is Bethel Now?*

**April 19:** *Where does God want Bethel in the Future?*

## **Time**

Lunch immediately following the worship service

Please plan to stay and participate.  
Your voice and presence are important!