



BETHEL CHURCH

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

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White Hall, MD 21161

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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



Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church

March 22, 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

Nancy Mory

Leader: We gather to worship God "for the Lord is good:

People: his steadfast love endures forever and his faithfulness to all generations."

+ Hymn #473

For the Beauty of the Earth

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

O God, in this Lenten Season we are more and more aware of our sins. You have blessed us in many ways. And yet our lives are punctuated with sin. Sometimes our prayer life becomes shabby. The reading of your Word has become less frequent, and the caring for others has become faint. Forgive us, and by your pardon give us renewed dedication to following Jesus. In his name we pray.

(Silent prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

Leader: O God, you have lifted the burden of our sin through the welcome words of Jesus, "Your sins are forgiven."

People: Now lead us forth in the ministry to which you have called us. Equip us with the gifts needed and grant us the strength required. We thank you for your extravagant love. Amen.

+ Gloria Patri

+ The Apostles' Creed

Church Leadership

Elders (Session)

Meet 3rd Thursday each month

2026
Pete Capozzoli
Bob Dennison
Charles Henry

2027
Marsha Brooks
Dave Hinkley
Krista Batchelor

2028
Margie Fielder
Robert Horn
R. Donald Scott

Deacons

Meet 1st Monday each month

2026
Pat Chlebda
Rebecca Comaty
Jen Seiler
Gail Lowe

2027
Rebecca Smith
Jane Burgess
Laurie Falkner

2028
Pam Sherwood
Lisa Calary
Gail Thomas
Amy Ford

Trustees

Meet 1st Tuesday each month

2026
Tim Sherwood
Brian Calary
Bruce Mattheiss
Craig Messenger

2027
Jan Berlage
Bruce Batchelor
Greg Burgess

2028
Steve Kauffman
Steve Comaty
Sam Fielder
Dave Kirchner
Gary Lowe

Open and Close Trustee for
This month is Craig Messenger
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 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 & AARP member

Mr. & Mrs. Slevin, Tom's parents

Sarah Milich

Maddie, great-niece of Gary & Gail Lowe

Travis Johnson, nephew of Pat & Chris Chlebda

Kathleen Cody, friend of Gail & Dave Thomas

Vicki Davis, member of the Bridge Group

Debbie Cary, friend of Judy Bolke

Garry & Martha Smithson

Linda Cummings, friend of Andi Holmes

Grandfather & Grandmother of RJ Wines

Sue Hinkley

Suzanne Gates, friend of Dave Kirchner

Grandmother of Chrissie Galliher

Family of Polly Winskowski who were
affected by a house explosion

Rob Vance, Uncle of Amy Ford

Susan Rogers, niece of Jack & Betty Rogers

Family of Lillian Skidmore

Laurie Falkner

David Sparkmen, brother of Sue Hinkley

Family of Nova Lynn Maney

Jennifer Thomas

Gail Decapreo



CPR Training

Bethel Presbyterian Church

Wednesday, April 8, 2025 | 5:30 PM

\$25.00 per person

Open to the public!

This is a valuable opportunity to learn life-saving skills in a supportive, hands-on environment. All are welcome – no experience necessary.



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

Call the office at 410-692-5282 or email at churchoffice@bethel-md.org



BON APPETIT BINGO

MAY 16, 2026

Doors Open at 5pm

Bingo starts at 6pm

Bingo Prizes \$50 Gift Cards

Food & Bingo supplies will be sold

100 tickets available \$25; contact
churchoffice@bethel-md.org or

410-692-5282 or Venmo

@BPCWhiteHall-MD



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Chrissie Galliher - March 24th

Barbara Mitchell - March 24th

Allen Henderson - March 25th

Patricia Troyer - March 26th

Card Shower

Finn Prevette - March 4th

Turns 5 yr. old, likes Spiderman

323 Streett Circle

Forest Hill, MD 21050



Allen & Janet Henderson

60th Anniversary - March 12th

P.O. Box 155

Jarrettsville, MD 21084

Announcements

This Week at Bethel:

Last Week's attendance - 80/(24)

- March 23rd - Women's Bible Study @ 10:00 am
- March 23rd - Safety & Security Committee Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- March 24th - Choir Practice @ 6:00 pm
- March 24th - Bridge Game, Fellowship Hall @ 6:00 pm
- March 24th - Christian Education Meeting @ 7:45 pm
- March 28th - Spaghetti Dinner @ 5:00 pm
- March 29th - Palm Sunday
- March 29th - Sunday School @ 9:30 am in CE Wing
- March 29th - Worship Service @ 10:30 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 2nd - Maundy Thursday dinner & service @ 5:30 pm
- April 5th - Easter Sunrise Service @ 6:30 am (at the firepit)
- April 5th - Easter Breakfast @ 8:45 am
- April 8th - CPR Class, Fellowship Hall, @ 5:30 pm
- April 12th - Historic Cemetery Tour @ 12:00 pm
- April 19th - Congregational Luncheon & Meeting @ 11:30 am
- May 16th - Bon Appetit Bingo
- May 17th - Children's Day
- May 31st - Graduate Sunday
- June 13th - Flea Market
- July 8-10th - Vacation Bible School
- July 11th - Flea Market
- August 8th - Flea Market
- September 12th - Flea Market

Church Finances	
	Through February
Tithes and Offerings	\$45,495
Investment withdrawals	\$8,000
Rentals/other income	\$7,960
Total income	\$61,455
Expenses	\$48,726
(Deficit) or Surplus	\$12,729
2026 Budget	\$339,660



Join Us for Easter Breakfast on Sunday,
April 5th at 8:45-9:45am in the Fellowship Hall.

Menu:

- Egg & Bacon Casserole**
- Egg & Sausage Casserole**
- French Toast Casserole**
- Assorted Danish, & Fruit**
- Coffee, & Juice**

We need volunteers to **make** or **donate** breakfast items
Please check below if you can help!
(Baking pans and recipes will be provided for the casseroles.)

___I can make an Egg & Bacon Casserole

___I can make an Egg & Sausage Casserole

___I can donate pastries or donuts

___I can help with fruit

___I can help with cleanup

Name _____ Number Attending _____

If you have any questions, please contact Carmie Messenger
at 410-937-8733 or at carmiemesseger@aol.com





EASTER

Sunrise Service

SERVICE STARTS AT 6:30 A.M.

AT THE FIREPIT

(INCLEMENT WEATHER: MEET IN THE FOYER)

HOLY WEEK

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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PALM SUNDAY

SERVICE AT 10:30 A.M.

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MAUNDY THURSDAY

SOUP DINNER AT 5:30 P.M.
SERVICE AT 6:45 P.M.

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GOOD FRIDAY

CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FROM NOON - 3
P.M. FOR PRAYER & SELF REFLECTION
(ENTER THROUGH FOYER)

APR
5

EASTER SUNDAY

SUNRISE SERVICE @ 6:30 AM (AT THE
FIREPIT)
EASTER BREAKFAST @ 8:45 A.M.
EASTER SERVICE @ 10:30 A.M.

Candlelight
Worship
April 2, 2026



“Maundy Thursday,” from Latin, mandatum, meaning “commandment,” is traditionally a service called tenebrae, which is Latin for “darkness,” or “shadows.” It is a service on the night before Jesus died; a precursor of the “darkness [that] came over the whole land,” on the day of Jesus crucifixion.

The Gospel writer John’s version of the night before Jesus died gives us the name of this night: “Maundy.” Jesus said to his disciples, “This is my commandment (mandatum), that you love one another as I have loved you.” (John 15:12)

We will gather at 5:30 pm for a light supper of soup, bread and fruit in the Fellowship Hall, followed by a service in the Sanctuary at 6:45 pm. Our pew torches will light our worship as well as for our Easter Service on Sunday.



Please let us know no later than March 29th that you are planning to come for the meal at 5:30 pm by filling out the form below and placing it in the Offering Plate.

NAME(S): _____

NUMBER: _____ will attend the Maundy Thursday dinner April 2nd.

A large circular graphic with a light beige background. It features various illustrations: a hanging lamp, a quilt, a potted plant, a chair, a shopping cart with a bottle and fruit, and a clothing rack with shirts and pants. The text is centered and reads:

**BETHEL SUMMER
FLEA MARKETS
& BAKE SALE**
2ND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH
8 A.M. – 2 P.M.
\$25 PER SPOT
EMAIL CHURCHOFFICE@BETHEL-MD.ORG
OR CALL 410-692-5282 TO RESERVE

JUNE 13
JULY 11
AUGUST 8
SEPTEMBER 12

4135 NORRSVILLE ROAD
WHITE HALL, MD 21161

A square QR code is located in the lower right quadrant of the circular graphic.

Celebrating Holy Week and Easter Sunday

Palms and other greenery will remind us of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem at the beginning of Holy Week on Palm Sunday. Easter flowers will decorate the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday.

Gifts in any amount are welcomed in honor or memory of your loved ones. Please indicate the amount of your contribution below and let us know if you'd like to put a note in the Palm Sunday and Easter bulletins. Checks should be made payable to Bethel Presbyterian Church and returned with this form to the Church Office or put in the offering plate through Lent. Tulips will be available after the 10:30 Easter Service until April 12th for those who make monetary donations for Remembrance or in honor of loved ones.

My gift of \$ _____



In memory of:

In honor of:

Given by:



Bethel Church Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday - March 28th
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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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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Congregational Meetings & Luncheons

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!