



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

April 12, 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

Tim Sherwood

Leader: O God, you come to us like cold water to a thirsty soul.

People: Like a warm blanket on a chilly night.

Leader: You meet our aching hearts with the comfort of your presence.

People: In the glow of Easter Day, your Spirit enlivens our worship and continues our joy.

Leader: There is not one aspect of our life you do not touch and enrich.

People: Therefore, we gather to praise and worship you. Amen!

+ Hymn #481

Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

Lord God, our human minds cannot begin to count your blessings. We have heard Jesus' call to follow him and agreed. Yet, we have faltered and now we ask for your forgiveness. While he loved freely, we carefully measure to whom we give our love. Where he was eager to provide healing and encouragement, we have sometimes distanced ourselves from those who are aching and in need. Where joy and laughter punctuated Jesus' life, too often our emotions are flat and our faith thin. Please pardon these and all our sins. In Jesus' name we pray.

(Silent prayer of confession)

Declaration of Pardon

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

Leader: Each time God forgives us, a fresh future is given.

People: We have new hope in the reassuring words of Jesus.

Leader: He declares to you and to me, "Your sins are forgiven."

People: With commitment to live more faithful lives, we receive the words with thanksgiving. Amen.

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 Bruce Batchelor
Ushers this week
Terri Schwarz & Donna Jones

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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+ Gloria Patri

+ 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

Tim Sherwood

Old Testament Lesson

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

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

New Testament Lesson

Philemon 1:1-25

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

Sermon

The Best Medicine

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

+ Hymn #170

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Tim Sherwood

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

+ Doxology 592

+ Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

+ Hymn #411

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

+ 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 & 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

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

Family of Nova Lynn Maney

Jennifer Thomas

Gail DiCaprio

Ruth Walker & her family upon the death of

her sister, Viola Zorbaugh

Melody, neighbor of the Wines family

Avalyn Comer

Mike Hays, friend of Jack & Nancy Mory

Family of Betty Jane Foard

Family of Shirley Gillis



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

DIRTY BIRDS X **YORK REVOLUTION**

FAITH FEST

presented by

children's AID SOCIETY
Southern PA District Church of the Brethren



FRIDAY, JUNE 5

5:30PM - GATES OPEN

5:45 PM - CONCERT BEGINS

6:30 PM - GAME STARTS

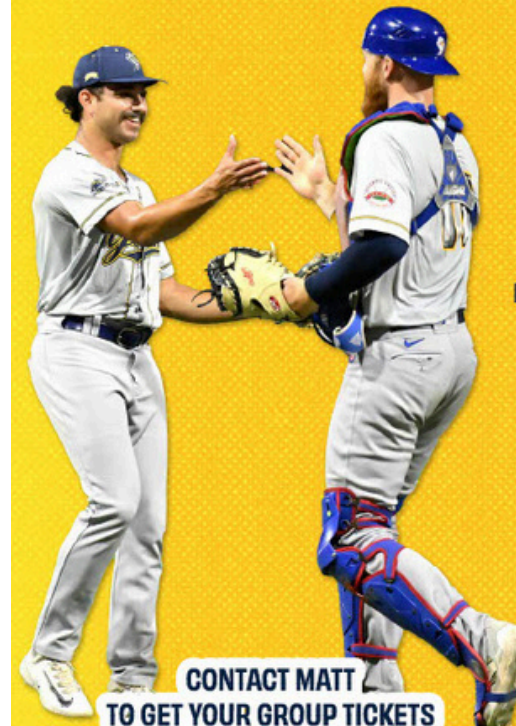
PRE-GAME SPEECH BY

LBC PRESIDENT & JESSICA AND FRIENDS FOUNDER/CEO

DR. PETER TEAGUE

PRE-GAME CONCERT

WORSHIP TEAM FROM DAVID'S BIBLE CHURCH



CONTACT MATT
TO GET YOUR GROUP TICKETS
MCHRISTOFF@YORKREVOLUTION.COM



SAVE THE DATE

BETHEL PICNIC

SUNDAY, JULY 19
TIME - TBD
CLEAR MEADOW FARMS

Gather your family for a delightful day filled with laughter,
delicious food, and the beauty of the great outdoors



HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

Craig Messenger - April 13th
Anne Jones - April 14th
Blair Mattheiss - April 14th
Grace Bauson - April 15th
Charlie Himmer - April 19th
Thomas Garrison - April 19th

Card Shower

Bruce Batchelor - April 10th
229 Bentley Road
Parkton, MD 21120

Polly Winskowski - April 26th
3704 Ingleside Drive
Jarrettsville, MD 21084

Jason Reep - April 26th
2305 Redstone Court
Street, MD 21154



**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 - 115/(10)

- April 13th - Women's Bible Study @ 10:00 am
- April 13th - AARP Board Meeting @ 1:00 pm
- April 13th - Deacons Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- April 14th - Mission Meeting @ 3:45 pm
- April 14th - Worship & Music Meeting @ 4:30 pm
- April 14th - Choir Practice @ 6:00 pm
- April 14th - Bridge Game, Fellowship Hall @ 6:00 pm
- April 16th - Session Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- April 18th - John Amos Funeral @ 1:00 pm
- April 19th - Breakfast Bunch @ 9:00 am
- April 19th - Sunday School @ 9:30 am in CE Wing
- April 19th - Worship Service @ 10:30 am
- April 19th - Congregational Luncheon & Meeting @ 11:30 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 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 March |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Tithes and Offerings | \$63,229 |
| Investment withdrawals | \$12,000 |
| Rentals/other income | \$12,439 |
| Total income | \$87,669 |
| Expenses | \$67,434 |
| (Deficit) or Surplus | \$20,235 |
| 2026 Budget | \$339,660 |

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



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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Congregational Meetings & Luncheons

Date & Topic

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!

Join Us for a

MINECRAFT

PIZZA

Party

HOT PIZZA * LEMONADE * GAMES

**JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF BUILDING,
EXPLORING, AND EATING!**

**WHETHER YOU'RE A REDSTONE EXPERT OR
JUST STARTING YOUR FIRST WORLD, ALL
ARE WELCOME!**

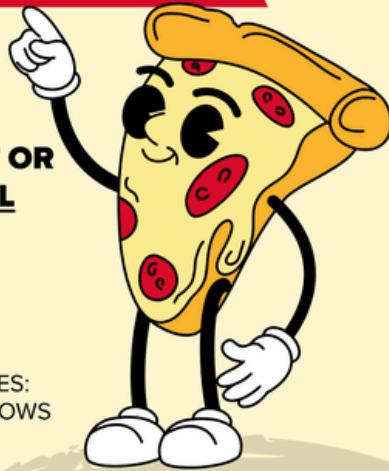
BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE!*

*IOS/ANDROID: IPHONES, IPADS, AND TABLETS CONSOLES:
NINTENDO SWITCH, XBOX, AND PLAYSTATION PC: WINDOWS
10/11 "MINECRAFT FOR WINDOWS"

SATURDAY, APRIL 25
6:00 - 9:00 PM

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RSVP: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A45A8AE28A5FD0-63386163-bethel>

4-Season Bazaar Craft Days

4TH SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH
APRIL - SEPTEMBER

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CHURCH

BRING A SNACK TO SHARE OR \$5
AND WE CAN ORDER PIZZA

Have questions or suggestions, reach out to
Rebecca Smith or Becky Comaty

