



Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church

April 19, 2026

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

BETHEL CHURCH

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

4135 Norrisville Road

White Hall, MD 21161

Office Phone: 410-692-5282

Office Email: churchoffice@bethel-md.org

Website: www.bethel-md.org

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



*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

Psalm 118:28-29

Dennis Kirkwood

Leader: You are our God and we will give thanks to you;

People: You are our God and we will extol you.

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

People: for his steadfast love endures forever!

+ Hymn #147

Blessing and Honor

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

O God, we strive to be your people. We have known and rejoiced in your pardon. We also look to Scripture to discern our readiness for new days in this congregation. Where we have depended on ourselves instead of you, correct us. Where we have postponed actions we should have taken, bring us up to speed by your Holy Spirit's leading. Where fresh opportunities have been unclaimed, give us the courage to venture forth with boldness and courage. We ask it all in Jesus' name.

(Silent prayer of confession)

Declaration of Pardon

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

Leader: We can trace your hand at work in our own lives and in the life of this congregation. Hear our gratitude.

People: Hear also the confession of our sins, for they are many. Some have been deliberate, while others have been unexpected stumbling blocks. Whatever their character, we now ask for your forgiveness so that we may be your faithful servants. We eagerly ask for pardon because they always come with your welcome love renewed. In Jesus' name we pray. 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



churchoffice@bethel-md.org
410-692-5282

+ 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

Dennis Kirkwood

Old Testament Lesson

Proverbs 16:20-24

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

New Testament Lesson

Acts 2:42-47

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

Sermon

Marks of a Strong Congregation

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

+ Hymn #307

Fight the Good Fight

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Dennis Kirkwood

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

+ Doxology 592

+ Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

+ Hymn #467

How Great Thou Art

+ 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

Tom Lowe, brother of Gary Lowe

Family & friends of Lee Fowler

Douglas Nichols, son of Martha & Jack
Nichols

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



Judy Baldwin - April 20th
Carol Himmer - April 21st
Stephen Kauffman, Jr. - April 21st
Michael Scott - April 22nd
Emma Clayton - April 25th
Jason Reep - April 25th
Bailey Saneman - April 26th
Polly Winskowski - April 26th

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 - 67/(26)

- April 20th - Women's Bible Study @ 10:00 am
- April 21st - Choir Practice @ 6:00 pm
- April 21st - Bridge Game, Fellowship Hall @ 6:00 pm
- April 21st - Christian Education Meeting @ 7:45 pm
- April 25th - Minecraft Pizza Party @ 6:00 pm
- April 26th - Sunday School @ 9:30 am in CE Wing
- April 26th - Worship Service @ 10:30 am
- April 26th - Men's Chorus practice @ 11:30 am
- April 26th - RESCHEDULED Congregational Luncheon & Meeting @ 11:30 am
- April 26th - Season Bazaar Craft Day @ 1:00 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 3rd - Men's Chorus practice
- May 16th - Bon Appetit Bingo
- May 17th - Children's Day
- May 24th - Season Bazaar Craft Day
- May 31st - Graduate Sunday
- June 5th - Faith Fest
- June 13th - Flea Market
- June 28 - Season Bazaar Craft Day
- July 8-10th - Vacation Bible School
- July 11th - Flea Market
- July 19th - Church Picnic
- July 25th - Christmas in July Dinner & a Movie
- July 26th - Season Bazaar Craft Day
- August 8th - Flea Market
- August 23rd - Season Bazaar Craft Day
- September 12th - Flea Market
- September 2th7 - Season Bazaar Craft Day

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

RESCHEDULED

Date & Topic

April 26: *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!**

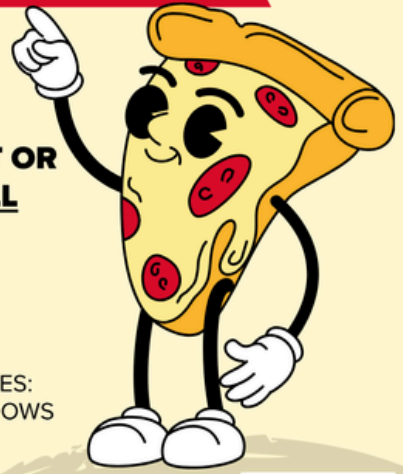
**WHETHER YOU'RE A REDSTONE EXPERT OR
JUST STARTING YOUR FIRST WORLD, ALL
ARE WELCOME!**

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