



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

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Office Manager: Kelly McLaughlin

Church Treasurer: Bruce Batchelor

Online Giving



Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church

May 31, 2026

Worship Service 9:30 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

Bob Horn

Leader: Jesus reminds us, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am among them."

People: Lord, we claim your presence as a congregation of yours. Bless us with your presence. We pray, amen.

+ Hymn #554

Let All Things Now Living

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

O Lord, this is a day of pride for those who have successfully completed their studes. We are happy for their accomplishments. However, we confess to you that there are things of which we are not proud. We have drifted away from you in our practice of prayer and Bible reading. We have not been humble, nor eager to give you praise. Forgive us, and by that forgiveness cleanse us of our sin. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

(Silent prayer of confession)

Declaration of Pardon

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

Leader: What good news we have! Jesus' words, "Your sins are forgiven," have relieved us of a great burden.

People: Now send us forth to live our lives given to Christ. Amen.

+ Gloria Patri

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 Sam Fielder
Ushers this week
Nancy Mory and Terri Schwarz

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!



+ 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

Bob Horn

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 29:11-14

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

New Testament Lesson

Matthew 10:26-33

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

Sermon

How Do You Prepare for What is Next?

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

+ Hymn #339

Be Thou My Vision

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

Bob Horn

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

+ Doxology 592

+ Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

+ Hymn #392

Take Thou Our Minds, Dear 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

Maddie, great-niece of Gary & Gail Lowe

Travis Johnson, nephew of Pat & Chris Chlebd

Kathleen Cody, friend of Gail & Dave Thomas

Vicki Davis, member of the Bridge Group

Debbie Cary, friend of Judy Bolke

Linda Cummings, friend of Andi Holmes

Grandfather & Grandmother of RJ Wines

Grandmother of Chrissie Galliher

Rob Vance, Uncle of Amy Ford

Susan Rogers, niece of Jack & Betty Rogers

Laurie Falkner

Gail DiCaprio

Melody, neighbor of the Wines family

Mike Hays, friend of Jack & Nancy Mory

Tom Lowe, brother of Gary Lowe

Family & friends of Lee Fowler

Douglas Nichols, son of Martha & Jack

Nichols

Jason Barrett, friend of Steve Kauffman

Madeline Robinson

Alex Riley, friend of Kirsten Fitzsimmons

Ila, daughter of Jennifer Thomas

Dot Osmond, grandmother of Becca Smith

Audrey Moose, friend of Steve Kauffman

Bob Wyatt, friend of Steve Kauffman



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

**BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN'S GROUP PRESENTS**

**SIGHT & SOUND
THEATRES'**

**MIRACLE
OF CHRISTMAS**

LIVE ON STAGE

Experience CHRISTMAS IN JULY as the MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS comes to life on stage with massive sets and live animals in this cherished holiday production.

This is a community event that is family-friendly and suitable for everyone. ★

**SATURDAY
JULY 25**

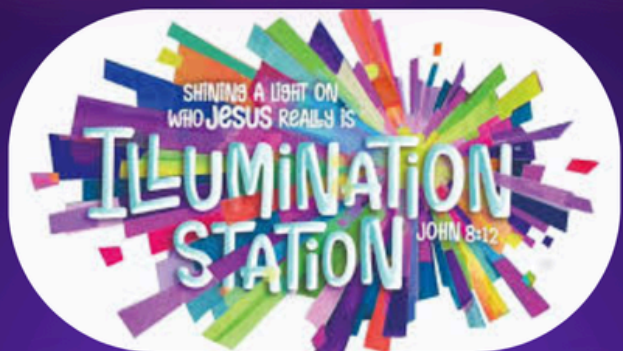
**POTLUCK DINNER AT 5 PM
MOVIE IMMEDIATELY AFTER**

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BETHEL CHURCH

Vacation Bible School



Shine Bright in a Dark World

⇒ **JULY 8, 9, 10TH** ⇐

5:30-8:30PM
DINNER INCLUDED



REGISTER HERE: >>>

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/5ftrcw9aNK>



James Nystrom - May 31st
Matthew Seiler - May 31st
Nancy Mory - June 1st
Joseph Burgess - June 3rd
Ceiri Akens - June 3rd
Beth Holt - June 3rd
Garyson Dietz - June 4th
Betty Jane Foard - June 5th
Avalyn Comer - June 6th



Chuck & Kelley Saneman - June 1st
63 years ago today, Dr. Toole was ordained as
a Presbyterian minister

Card Shower

Jean Kirkwood - Thinking of You
2659 Bradenbaugh Road
White Hall, MD 21161



Don Scott - May 3rd
15923 Old York Road
Monkton, MD 21111

**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 - 62/(6)

June 1st - Women's Bible Study @ 10:00 am

June 1st - Deacons Meeting @ 7:00 pm

June 2nd - Bridge Game, Fellowship Hall @ 6:00 pm

June 2nd - Trustees Meeting @ 7:00 pm

June 6th - Private Event @ 12:00 pm

June 7th - Breakfast Bunch @ 8:00 am

June 7th - Worship Service @ 9:30 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 13th - Flea Market

June 13th - Minecraft Pizza Party

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 27th - Season Bazaar Craft Day

December 5th - Blitzen Bingo

December 12th - Wreaths Across America

Church Finances


	Through April
Tithes and Offerings	\$92,731
Investment withdrawals	\$12,000
Rentals/other income	\$18,761
Total income	\$123,492
Expenses	\$90,794
(Deficit) or Surplus	\$32,698
2026 Budget	\$339,660

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!*

*TO ENSURE THE KIDS CAN BUILD TOGETHER, PLEASE REVIEW THESE HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS. **WE CANNOT TROUBLESHOOT DEVICES DURING THE EVENT.**

- **THE "GOLD STANDARD" (RECOMMENDED):** WINDOWS OR APPLE LAPTOPS. THESE OFFER THE MOST RELIABLE CONNECTION AND EASIEST SERVER-JOINING.
- **MOBILE DEVICES (ALLOWED):** UP-TO-DATE IPADS, IPHONES, OR ANDROID TABLETS.
 - **CRITICAL:** EVERY MOBILE DEVICE **MUST** BE SIGNED INTO A FREE MICROSOFT/XBOX ACCOUNT BEFORE ARRIVING. IF YOU AREN'T SIGNED IN, YOU CANNOT SEE OUR LOCAL SERVERS.
- **THE "NO-GO" LIST (UNSUPPORTED):**
 - **SCHOOL CHROMEBOOKS:** THESE ARE LOCKED DOWN BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND WILL NOT ALLOW THE GAME TO RUN OR CONNECT TO EXTERNAL SERVERS.
 - **NINTENDO SWITCH / CONSOLES:** WE STRONGLY DISCOURAGE THESE. CONNECTING A SWITCH TO A PRIVATE SERVER (LIKE OURS) REQUIRES COMPLEX MANUAL DNS OVERRIDES AND PARENTAL PERMISSION CHANGES THAT ARE IMPOSSIBLE TO FIX ON-SITE.
- **THE VERSION CHECK:** PLEASE ENSURE YOUR MINECRAFT APP IS UPDATED TO THE LATEST VERSION (CURRENTLY IN THE 26.X RANGE) WHILE YOU ARE STILL ON YOUR HOME WI-FI.

SATURDAY, JUNE 13
6:00 - 9:00 PM



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RSVP: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A45A8AE28A5FD0-64139738-bethel>