

BETHEL CHURCH

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
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Welcome to Bethel Presbyterian Church

November 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 Pam Sherwood

Voluntary *The Pride of Baltimore* Charles Henry, Bagpipes
Lighting of the Church Candles

Call to Worship Pam Sherwood

Leader: In every generation God has raised up men and women to declare and live His good news.
People: As we gather for worship, we ask You, O God, to equip us to be those persons in this generation. Let us worship God. Amen.

+ Hymn #473 *For the Beauty of the Earth*

Prayer of Confession Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

O God, You have called us to use our unique God-given gifts in Christ's service. We confess that we find it difficult to believe that we are qualified. Therefore, we set aside those gifts to the detriment of others in need. Forgive us when we don't trust Your word to us and forsake opportunities to bring hope to others. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

(Silent prayer of confession)

Declaration of Pardon Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole

Leader: When Jesus called us into ministry with Him, He also empowered us to do it. Be with us as we experience the inner strength that comes from hearing Your words, "Your sins are forgiven."
People: With grateful hearts we resolve to be Your disciples, O Christ. Send us forth to show those with whom we come in contact that Jesus resides with us and works through us, we pray. Amen.

+ Gloria Patri

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 Chlebda	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 Tim Sherwood
Ushers this week
Dave & Gail Thomas

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

Contact Us

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

+ The Apostles' Creed		
+ Passing the Peace	The peace of Christ is with you.	**And also with you.**
Time with Young Disciples		
Prayer for Illumination		Pam Sherwood
Old Testament Lesson	Psalm 61:1-2	
	This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**	
New Testament Lesson	John 1:35-42	
	This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**	
Sermon	Meet Andrew Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole	
+ Hymn (Insert)	*Jesus Calls Us*	
Sharing of Joys & Concerns		
Prayers of the People		Pam Sherwood
The Lord's Prayer		
Offertory	*My Home and Skye Boat Song*	Charles Henry Bagpipes
+ Doxology 592		
+ Prayer of Dedication		
+ Hymn #310	*Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*	
+ Benediction		Rev. Dr. George Gray Toole
Postlude	*Elegy* by Carl Reinecke	Christine Capozzoli

Bethel Concerns

Please keep the following in your prayers this week:

Carolyn Mattheiss, wife of Bruce Mattheiss
Bonnie Six, friend of Don Scott
Sam & Marsha Brooks
Carolyn Bowers, friend of Andi Holmes
Susan Wyatt
John & Sandy Louderback
Steve Bevard, friend of Bethel & AARP member
Mr. & Mrs. Slevin, Tom's parents
Vicki Davis, member of the Bridge Group
Grandfather & Grandmother of RJ Wines
Grandmother of Chrissie Galliher
Susan Rogers, niece of Jack & Betty Rogers
Tom Lowe, brother of Gary Lowe
Douglas Nichols, son of Martha & Jack Nichols
Kirsten Fitzsimmons
Steve Kauffman's brother
Lloyd Taylor, who is in bootcamp & serving our country
Michelle Laret & family, friend of Donna Jones
Lois Backus, friend of Marsha Brooks
Jerry Gladwell, friend of Marsha Brooks
Lou Wyman, friend of Marsha Brooks
Tony Tomasello & family upon the death of their son, Nick
Amy Anzalone Barnett, family of the Louderbacks
Whitney Christmas, friend of Steve Kauffman
Dick & Ruth Walker
Don Scott
Jeff Kirchner, brother of Dave Kirchner
Donna Furches, daughter of Norma Kirkwood
Roger Bishop
Aaron Cree Family, friend of Dennis Kirkwood
Clay Miller Family, upon his death

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



On December 19, 2026, at 12:00 pm, Troop 265 will be helping Bethel Presbyterian Church Cemetery to remember and honor our veterans by laying remembrance wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes.

Please help us honor and remember as many fallen heroes as possible by sponsoring remembrance wreaths, volunteering on Wreaths Day, or inviting your family and friends to attend with you.

Use the address below to link to the donation page:
https://wreathsacrossamerica.org/pages/152763/overview/
Last day to order is December 2, 2026

Thank you so much for supporting
The MD0309P - Boy Scout Troop 265
and Wreaths Across America!







Jan Berlage, Sr. - Nov. 17th
Melinda Wines - Nov. 18th
Debbie Calary - Nov. 20th
Laura Fielder - Nov. 20th



None



Card Shower

Support & Encouragement

Dick Walker - Thinking of You
4528 Norrisville Rd.
White Hall, MD 21161

Carol Morrow - Thinking of You
4101 Autumn Dr.
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 - 98/(22)

November 16th - Christmas Flower orders due
November 16th - Women's Bible Study @ 10:00 am
November 17th - Bridge Game, Fellowship Hall @ 6:00 pm
November 18th - Sunday School Thanksgiving Dinner
November 19th - PNC Meeting @ 7:00 pm
November 19th - Session Meeting @ 7:00 pm
November 21st - The Giving Boxes Packing Day
November 22nd - Sunday School @ 9:30 am
November 22nd - Worship Service @ 10:30 am - Genesis Puppets



November 29th - Steel Pandemic Group
November 29th - Advent Luncheon
December 5th- Blitzen Bingo
December 6th - Shoe Tree donations due
December 19th - Wreaths Across America
December 20th - Children's Christmas Program

Advent Luncheon



Sunday, November 29, 2026

Join us after the Worship Service for:
*Soup, BBQ, hot dogs & dessert
*Advent Devotional
*A sing-along with your favorite carols
*Music provided by Mary Lee Swift

Please sign up for food in the foyer
RSVP to Church office by Nov 23rd

Christ Our King Presbyterian Church



PACKING DAY

8:30 am & 9:30 am

NOVEMBER 21

Christ Our King Presbyterian Church, Knox Presbyterian Church, and Grace Presbyterian Church have joined efforts once again to provide Thanksgiving Boxes of food to families in need living in Harford County, Baltimore City, and surrounding areas.

There will be 2 shifts of volunteers to fill 800 boxes of food, with each shift filling at least 400 boxes. There will be a limit of 50 volunteers for each shift.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49AFA729A1FFC34-65187510-giving#/

2026 Christmas Flower Fundraiser

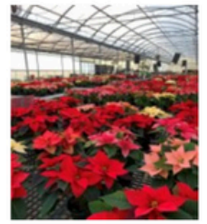
ORDER DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 16TH!

Payment Options: Cash, Check or Venmo

venmo

Customer Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

POINSETTIAS (with pot cover)



4.5" Pot	6.5" Pot	7" Pot	8" Pot
3-4 Blooms	5-6 Blooms	10-12 Blooms	12+ Blooms
$7.00	$11.00	$15.00	$20.00
Red ____	Red ____	Red ____	Red ____
White ____	White ____	White ____	White ____
Pink ____	Pink ____	Pink ____	Pink ____
Marble ____	Marble ____	Marble ____	



WREATHS (measurements are outside diameter)

Plain

14-16" Fraser Fir	$25.00	Qty: ____	Total: ____
22-24" Fraser Fir	$30.00	Qty: ____	Total: ____
28" Fraser Fir	$35.00	Qty: ____	Total: ____

Decorated

14-16" Fraser Fir	$35.00	Qty: ____	Total: ____
22-24" Fraser Fir	$40.00	Qty: ____	Total: ____
28" Fraser Fir	$47.00	Qty: ____	Total: ____

WHITE PINE ROPING 25 ft. $28.00 Qty: ____ Total: ____
75 ft. $60.00 Qty: ____ Total: ____

CHRISTMAS CACTUS 4" $6.00 Qty: ____ Total: ____
6" $11.00 Qty: ____ Total: ____





CYCLAMEN 4" $ 7.00 Qty: ____ Total: ____
6" $12.00 Qty: ____ Total: ____



GUALTHERIA (WINTERGREEN) 4" $10.00 Qty: ____ Total: ____
Native Perennial - great seasonal decor



LEMON CYPRESS 4" $11.00 Qty: ____ Total: ____



AMARYLLIS 6" $11.00 Qty: ____ Total: ____

Order pick ups: Dec. 4th (12-3 pm) / Dec. 6th after church

DON'T miss out!



Genesis Puppets
November 22nd



Steel Pandemic Band
November 29th

DONATE TO OUR ANNUAL

CHRISTMAS SHOE TREE

Help support Mason-Dixon Community Services through our annual Shoe Tree outreach.

The tree will be located at the back of the church. Take an envelope from the tree and place your donation inside and return it in the offering.

Your generosity will help bring warmth, comfort, and hope to those in need this holiday season.



Donations will be collected Nov. 1 - Dec. 6