

Bethel

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

Timeless Truths for our Changing Community

Organized 1764

Our Mission

Glorifying God by going to the ends of the earth
to gather and grow His people.

Welcome to Bethel!

If spirituality is not a particular priority in the balanced diet of a family, we cannot expect our children to gravitate toward spiritual values for sustenance as they begin to grow and reach out to feed themselves.

Alistair Begg

The LORD'S Day
Sunday, November 15, 2026

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~ ORDER OF WORSHIP ~

[2]My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Psalm 84:2

Preparation

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Silent Meditation and Prayer on Isaiah 11:1-2 ESV

[1]There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. [2]And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

Adoration

***The Call to Worship** 1 Peter 2:4-5 ESV

[4]As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men
but in the sight of God chosen and precious, [5]you yourselves like living stones
are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual
sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

***The Hymn of Praise** "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" *Trinity Hymnal #296*

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all;
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God, who from his altar call;
extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, and crown him Lord of all;
extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, and crown him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall,
go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all;
go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all;
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall;
we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all;
we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.

***The Invocation**

***The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors,
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Responsive Old Testament Scripture Reading Psalm 2:1-12 ESV

[1]Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain?

[2]The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and against his Anointed, saying,

[3]"Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us."

[4]He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision.

[5]Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying, [6]"As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill."

[7]I will tell of the decree: The Lord said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.

[8]Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

[9]You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

[10]Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.

[11]Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

[12]Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Confession

The Call to Confession Joel 2:12-13 ESV

12 "Yet even now," declares the Lord, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with
weeping, and with mourning; 13 and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to
the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast
love; and he relents over disaster.

Hearing this, saints, let us return to the Lord by reciting our corporate confession of sin together.

The Corporate Confession of Sin Valley of Vision, "Confession and Petition"

Holy Lord, we are guilty--of pride and unbelief, of failure to find Your mind in Your Word, of neglect to see You in our daily lives. Our violations and shortcomings present our consciences with a long list of accusations, but they shall not stand! For we lay them all now on Christ, our sacrifice and advocate.

Go on now, Lord, to subdue our weaknesses, granting us grace to live above them. Let us not be mastered by them, but now rule over us in liberty and power. We praise and thank You for Your wisdom and love, for sometimes putting us into the furnace to refine our gold and remove our dross. Deliver us from every evil habit, everything that dims the brightness of Your grace in us, everything that prevents us from taking our deepest delight in You, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Silent Confession of Sin

***The Assurance of Pardon** Galatians 1:3–5 ESV

3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, 4 who gave himself
for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and
Father, 5 to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Church, receive the gospel: in Jesus Christ we have been delivered from the present evil age.

***The Song of Thanks** "How Deep the Father's Love" *Townend*

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss. The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon the cross, my sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life. I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything: no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ: His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

***The Confession of Faith** *The Heidelberg Catechism*
Q & A 29,30

Q. 29. Why is the Son of God called "Jesus," meaning "Savior"?

A. Because He saves us from our sins. Salvation cannot be found in anyone else; it is futile to look for salvation anywhere else.

Q. 30. Do those who look for their salvation and security in saints, in themselves, or elsewhere really believe in the only Savior Jesus?

A. No. Although they boast of being His, by their deeds they deny the only Savior and deliverer, Jesus. Either Jesus is not a perfect Savior, or those who in true faith accept this Savior have in Him all they need for their salvation.

Collection

***The Offertory Scripture** Psalm 96:7-9 ESV

7 Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!
8 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!
9 Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!

The Offertory Anthem *The Choir*

***The Doxology**

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

***The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Consecration

The Children's Message

The Pastoral Prayer

***The New Testament Reading** Matthew 1:1-17 ESV
(Pew Bible p. 959)

The Sermon *The King's Family Tree: Part 1* Pastor Chris Donnelly

I. Matthew's _____

A. As a tax _____ Matthew, also known as Levi, would have been _____ by his people.

B. This account was primarily written for a _____ audience who considered a person's _____ very significant.

C. With the _____ of the temple, its practices, and coming destruction, a writing date _____ 70 A.D. seems most likely.

II. The King's _____

A. Matthew's list shows us the _____ grace of God at work in the _____ of His people.

B. Matthew includes _____ Gentile _____ in the family tree of Jesus, showing us that the salvation of the Gentiles was not an _____ in God's plan, but part of His work from the very beginning.

C. There are three major sections of this _____:

i. From Abraham to David, which shows us the _____ of David's house.

ii. From David to the Babylonian deportation, showing us the _____ and _____ of David's line.

iii. From the Babylonian deportation to Jesus, demonstrating the _____ and _____ of God's promise concerning David's house.

Isaiah 11:1 *There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.*

III. The King's _____

A. Jesus _____

B. Son of _____

2 Samuel 7:12, 16 *When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom… [16] And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.'"*

C. Son of _____

Galatians 3:16 *Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, "And to offsprings," referring to many, but referring to one, "And to your offspring," who is Christ.*

Sermon Notes:

Answer Key: decline, genealogy, Jewish, restoration, sovereign, background, fulfillment, history, four, titles, lineage, Gentile, Christ, collector, afterthought, David, genealogy, discussion, Abraham, origin, despised, rise, before.

***The Closing Hymn** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" *Trinity Hymnal #529*

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down:
fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown:
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit, let us find the promised rest:
take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its Beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be:
let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

***The Benediction**

***Postlude**

God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,
with his sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again.

**We stand, as we are able, to praise the Lord.*

	Infants (0-2)	*Toddlers (2-4)*	*Worship Training (5-7)*
Today	Meredith & Brenna Clinton and Kim Britt	Judi Love and Jenifer Riddle	Amanda Brummett and Laura Clinton
Next Week	Cathy Robinson and Abby Chidester	Savannah McCall and Renee Nix	Kristine DeRousse and Peggy Long

Worship Training is available for ages 5-7. Children will leave after the children's sermon to attend class in the Education Building. Parents are to pick them up after the worship service concludes.

Happy birthday this week to Mason Cuffman and Matt Falls on 11/16; Kathleen Payne on 11/18; Mary Love on 11/19; Anne Adams, Judy Barnett, and Lena McFalls on 11/20; and Hanna Badger on 11/21.

Welcome visitors! Please fill out a welcome card located in the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate.

Thank you, Bethel Church family, for the many cards and gifts in honor of Pastor Appreciation Month. It is a real blessing and true privilege to serve such a loving congregation. Blessings in Christ, the pastoral staff.

The Session of Bethel Presbyterian Church has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, November 22, 2026, following morning worship, to present the 2027 operating budget and vote on officer candidates. The following men were unanimously approved to stand for election as officer candidates:
Ruling Elder class of 2030: Neil Allen, Chris Griesman
Deacon class of 2030: Tom Cuffman

If you would like offering envelopes for 2027, please reach out to the church office by email office@bethelchurchpca.com or phone (803) 222-7166.

This Week at Bethel

Sunday
WIC Meeting: All women are asked to attend a brief meeting in the sanctuary following service. The purpose is to approve the 2027 WIC budget and upcoming officers.

Kids' Quest: 5:00 pm, play practice, wear blue

Youth: 5:00 pm

Young Adult Community Group: 6:00 pm, Kozaks' home

Wednesday
Men's Bible Study: 6:00 am, Conference Room

GriefShare: 1:30 pm, Covenant Classroom

WIC Council Meeting: 6:30 pm, Ladies SS Classroom

Thursday
Mentors & Moms: 9:30 am, Education Building

Next Week at Bethel

Kids' Quest: Sunday, November 22, 5:00 pm, favorite team

Youth: Sunday, November 22, 5:00 pm

Men's Bible Study: Wednesday, November 25, 6:00 am, Conference Room

Upcoming Events at Bethel

Kelly Gomez, historian and preservationist, will be conducting a headstone cleaning workshop and history blog on our church and cemetery. Anyone is welcome to come by or get involved. Dates are as follows:
Thursday, November 19 during the afternoon
Friday, November 20 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturday, November 21 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Prayer requests:

- Recovery, healing, and strength: Craig Adams, Lisa Allen, Helen Bean, Betsy Clinton, Brent Clinton, Shirley Coker, Deke Cox, Marianne Falls, Andres Garza, Cary & Helen Grant, Charlotte Jackson, Volney Jerome, Mark & Debra Kozak, Joe LeMoyne, Barbara Love, Bobby Love, Mary Love, Dean McCarter, James McCarter, Joy McCarter, Maxie McCarter, Debbie Meek, Jenny Richards, Jackie Schropp, Norm West, Larry Wilmoth.
- Spiritual revival: the Holy Spirit would bring a move of conviction and salvation upon communities of cultural influence; God will pour out His Spirit like a mighty purifying flood.
- Women's Ministry: the Lord would use the WIC program, Mentors and moms, community groups, discipleship groups, and the circle ministry to build strong, loving relationships between the women of this congregation; that the women of Bethel would feel the loving embrace of Almighty God and find places of service in our congregation and community.
- Pastor Jason Anderson, the session and congregation at **Hopewell Presbyterian Church**, 1571 South Anderson Road, Rock Hill, SC 29730, (803) 324-1066.