

Bethany Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

December 21, 2025

Rev. Benjamin Glaser, D.Min, Pastor

Lord’s Day Morning Worship Order of Service

Prelude “The First Noel” Bethany Trio

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship Proverbs 2:1-6

*Hymn “O Come, All Ye Faithful” #208 v.1-4

*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer (*Debts and Debtors*)

Recognition of Communicants Class

*Hymn “Joy to the World!” #195 v.1-4

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem “O Come, O Come” -Cindy Berry

Sermon “*The Love of Every One*” 2 Thess. 1:3-10

*Bible Song “King of Kings” #285 v.1-3

The Lord’s Supper

*Bible Song “King of Kings” #285 v. 4

*Benediction Hebrews 13:20-21

*Doxology chorus #285

*Postlude “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

*- Please Stand If Able

Announcements

- There is a nursery provided upstairs (0-4) as need may arise.
- We congratulate the Communicants Class for their keen labors.
- The Blessing Box is in need of donations, especially supper-making products. Please place them on the table in the fellowship hall.
- The Lord’s blessings be with you and your family this week!
- Please place your offering in one of the four plates by the doors as you come in or as you go.
- Youth Choir Lessons and Carols service will be tonight at 5pm.

PRAYER REQUESTS – Pam Walker, Tom Faulkner, John Currence, Beth Covington, struggling souls, and Shut-Ins.

If you have any prayer requests, joys, concerns, or would like a visit, please let an Elder or Rev. Glaser know. His contact info is: 601-577-1359 and pastor.glaser@bethanyarp.org.

Nursery

December 21st: Tammy McGill, Keisha Robinson, Lily Glaser

December 28th: Denise Brown, Anna Whitesides, Mackenzie Glaser

FINANCIAL REPORT

December 14th: \$ 2,376.00

Needed Weekly: \$ 3,669.15

Fourth Quarter Mission Project: \$125.00

Sermon Notes

Introduction

How Should the End Times Effect Our Love For One Another?

What Does It Mean to Live in the Kingdom of Grace?

Why Should We Be Concerned For the Souls of the Lost?

Where Should We Take Our Desire For Hope in Day of Evil?

Verses for Reflection

*Psalm 40:1-4, Romans 5:3-5, Matthew 5:38-39, Gal. 5:22
Isaiah 40:31, Romans 12:19, Leviticus 19:18, Luke 15:7*

<u>Weekly Schedule of Classes & Studies</u>	
Sunday:	Sabbath School – 10:00am
	Morning Worship – 11:00am
	Evening Worship – 5:30pm
Mon/Wed: Facebook Devotions and What’s That Word – 7:15am	
Tues/Thurs: Prayer and Worship Help/Confessional Thursday Email	
Wed. Night: Adult Study and Prayer Time/Youth Group - 6:30pm	

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The Bulletin For the Lessons and Carols Service Tonight

Will Be Handed Out at the Door. All are Invited For This

Time of Blessing and Grace As We Give Thanks to God

For All His Love Toward Us in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Welcome to Bethany ARP Church!

Founded in 1797 by Scots-Irish settlers seeking a place to worship our God according to the Scriptures, our vision is inspired by Jeremiah 6:16: “*Stand in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths, where the good way is, and walk in it; then you will find rest for your souls.*” Like the many old oaks in this area, we desire to grow deeply rooted in the nourishing waters of God’s Word, which flow from the ancient wells grounded in Jesus Christ.

We are a **Reformed** church, shaped by the biblical principles of the Protestant Reformation of the 16th century. Following in the footsteps of men like John Knox and Ebenezer Erskine, we hold to the *Westminster Confession of Faith*, which summarizes the essential teachings of Scripture.

We are also **Presbyterian**, meaning elders elected by the congregation govern our church. These elders work together within the broader *Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church (ARP)* to support our shared mission and ministry. Our motto, “*In Thy Light We See Light*,” taken from Psalm 36:9 reflects our commitment to honoring Christ in preaching the gospel to all men and resting in His grace.

Join Us!

Whether you’re new to the area, exploring the Christian faith, or seeking a church home, we’d love for you to join us in worship and service. Rev. Glaser is always available.

BETHANY ARP CHURCH OFFICERS

SESSION

Jimmy McGill	Ronnie Smith	Adam Smith
Randy Carroll	Fred Faulkner, Clerk of Session	

ELDER EMERITUS

Jim Davidson

THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
Matthew Earls	Joey McGill	Caleb Robinson
Logan Carroll	Matthew Carroll, Chairman	
David McGill		

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“I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go into the house of the Lord.” – Psalm 121:1

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OUR PURPOSE:

The purpose of Bethany ARP Church is to glorify God by:

Worshipping Him in Spirit and in Truth (John 4:24)

Equipping the Saints For the Work of Ministry (Eph. 4:12)

Reaching Our Community with Christ’s Gospel (1 Pet. 2:9)

O Come, All Ye Faithful

208

Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about. Luke 2:15

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant,
 2. God of God, Light of Light;
 3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing:

O come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem; come and be - hold him
 lo, he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb: ver - y God, be -
 sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove; glo - ry to God
 Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther,

REFRAIN

born the King of an - gels;
 got - ten, not cre - a - ted;
 in the high - est; O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let
 late in flesh ap - pear - ing;

us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

Latin hymn
 Attr. to John Francis Wade, 1751
 Tr. by Frederick Oakeley, 1841; alt.

ADESTE FIDELES 6.6.10.5.6 ref.
 John Francis Wade's *Cantus Diversi*, 1751

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Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Ps. 98:4

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her
 2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns: let men their songs em -
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest the
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions

King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room,
 ploy; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
 ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow
 prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
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 and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his
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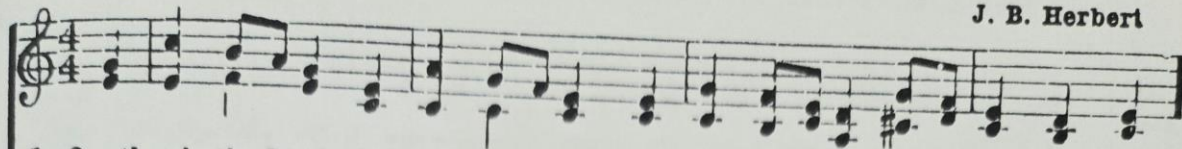
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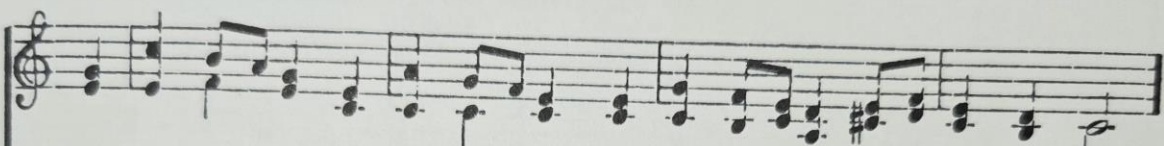
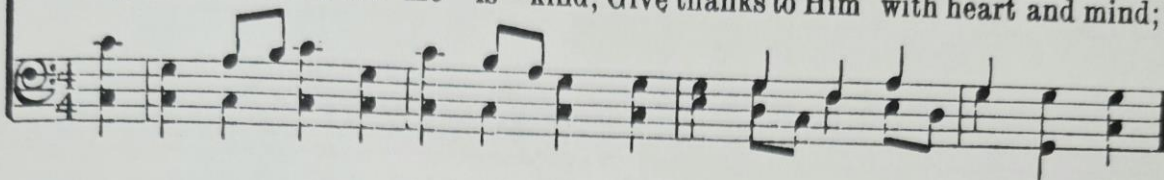
King Of Kings

Psalm 136

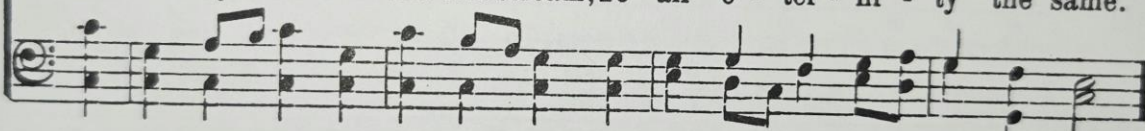
J. B. Herbert



1. O thank the Lord, the Lord of love; O thank the God all gods a - bove;
2. Give thanks to God, for good is He, Thanks to the God of gods give ye,
3. Who tho't on us a-midst our woes And res - cued us from all our foes;
4. O praise the Lord for He is kind, Give thanks to Him with heart and mind;

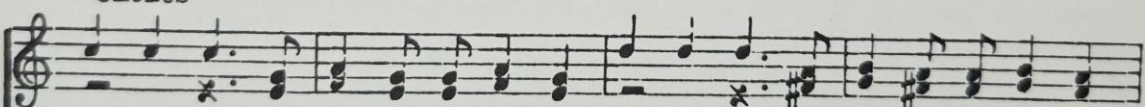


O thank the mighty King of kings, Whose arm hath done such wondrous things.
 Thanks give the Lord of lords un - to, Who on - ly won - ders great can do.
 Who dai - ly feeds each liv - ing thing; O thank the heav'n's Al-might-y King.
 His mer - cy flows an end-less stream, To all e - ter - ni - ty the same.

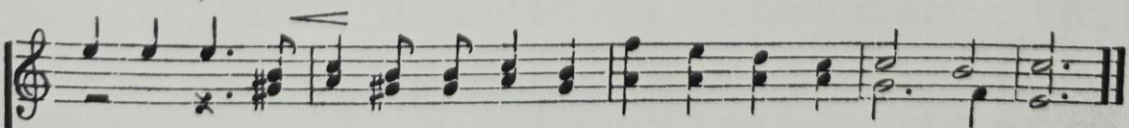
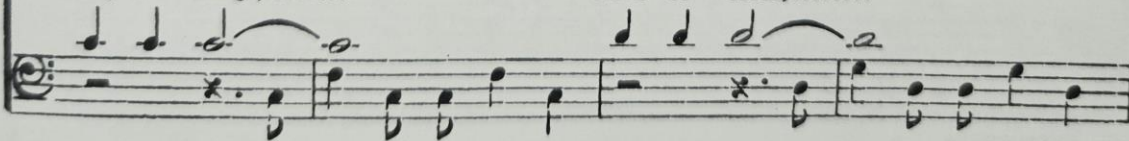


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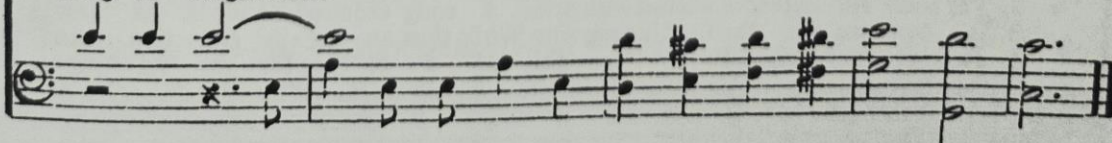
Selected stanzas



King of kings for ev - er and ev - er; Lord of lords for ev - er and ev - er;
 King of kings,..... Lord of lords,.....



King of kings for ev - er and ev - er; King of kings and Lord of lords!
 King of kings,.....



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