

Bethany Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

August 9, 2026

Rev. Benjamin Glaser, D. Min, Pastor

Lord’s Day Morning Worship Order of Service

Prelude	“Lasst Uns Erfreven”	
Welcome and Announcements		
Call to Worship	Romans 1:16-17	
*Bible Song	“Christ Shall Have Dominion”	#156 v. 1-4
*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer (<i>Debts and Debtors</i>)		
*Scripture Lesson	Acts 10:9-23	
Children’s Moment		
*Hymn	“Like A River Glorious”	#699 v. 1-3
Pastoral Prayer		
Anthem	“Goodness and Mercy”	#47 v. 1-2
Sermon	“ <i>Because of My Affliction</i> ”	Jonah 2:1-10
*Bible Song	“God’s Perfect Law”	#34 v. 1-4
*Benediction	Ezra 7:27-28	
*Doxology	chorus #34	
*Postlude	“Hallelujah”	

Thank you for joining us today for the worship of Jesus Christ,
our Common Lord and Savior. If you would like to know
more about Bethany, please fill out one of the pew
cards and place them in an offering plate.

**- Please Stand If Able*

Announcements

- There is a nursery provided upstairs (0-4) as need may arise.
- We raised enough for the Jerusalem Church in Runda to give them a \$4,750 check for needed repairs. Be on the lookout for more info!
- The Blessing Box is in need of donations, especially supper-making products. Please place them on the table in the fellowship hall.
- If you are not seeing emails from the Church Social app, please see Kelly Gordon. We either have the wrong email, or we do not have an email for you at all. She will help you get set up!
- Fifth Sunday Psalm Sing will be August 23rd at 5pm. All invited!
- Please place your offering in one of the four plates by the doors as you come in or as you go.

PRAYER REQUESTS – Eddie and Ruthann Helms, Jan Clay and Mary Clay Crawford, Richardson Chapel MB Church, 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

Aug. 9th: Joanna Earls, Mary McGill, Morgan Smith
Aug. 16th: Tammy McGill, Keisha Robinson, Lily Glaser

FINANCIAL REPORT

August 2nd: \$11,046.95
Needed Weekly: \$ 3,669.15
Runda Mission Project: \$5,346

<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

Sermon Notes

Introduction

Why Does Jonah Now Go to God For Help in Distress?

What is the Context of Jonah’s Prayer of Thanksgiving?

Why Does the Bible Focus So Much On Our Fainting?

How Does the Fish Vomit Jonah Out of His Mouth?

Verses for Reflection

*Psalm 50:14, Job 33:28, Mark 4:41
Acts 17:24, 2 Chronicles 6:38, Psalm 5:7*

Bethany Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

August 9, 2026

Rev. Benjamin Glaser, D. Min, Pastor

Lord's Day Evening Worship

Welcome

Call to Worship Psalm 141:1-10

Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading Hebrews 7

Song Selection #1 Bible Song of the Month #200

Season of Prayer

Song Selection #2 Pick a Bible Song/Hymn

Scripture Reading Joel 2:12-17

Teaching Time How to Read the Bible Together in Faith

Closing Prayer

Benediction 1 John 2:15-17

Sermon Notes

- 1) How is the Congregation Sanctified Through the Word?
- 2) What is the Meaning About the Word Turning the Heart?

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 Ralph 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 2026	Class of 2027	Class of 2028
Joey McGill	Caleb Robinson	Tim Gordon
Matthew Carroll, Chairman		Hunter Robinson

Bethany Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church



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

Rev. Dr. Benjamin P. Glaser, Pastor

601-577-1359
www.bethanyarp.org
1454 Hwy 161N, Clover, SC 29710

OUR PURPOSE:

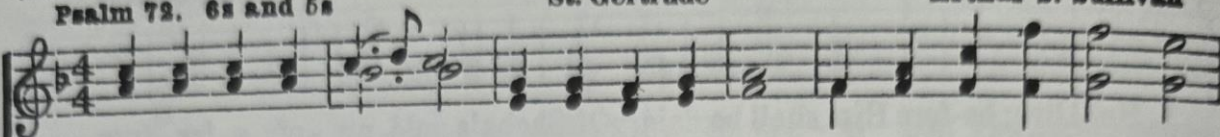
The purpose of Bethany ARP Church is to glorify God by:
Worshipping Him in Spirit and in Truth (John 4:24)
Equipping the Saints For the Work of Ministry (Eph. 4:12)
Reaching Our Community with Christ’s Gospel (1 Pet. 2:9)

Christ Shall Have Dominion

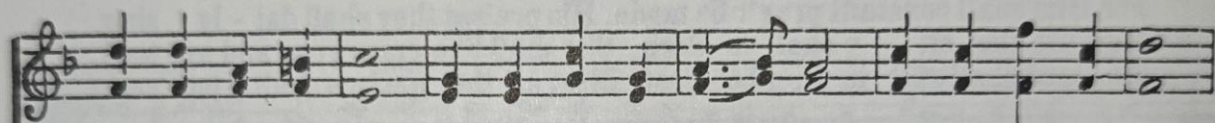
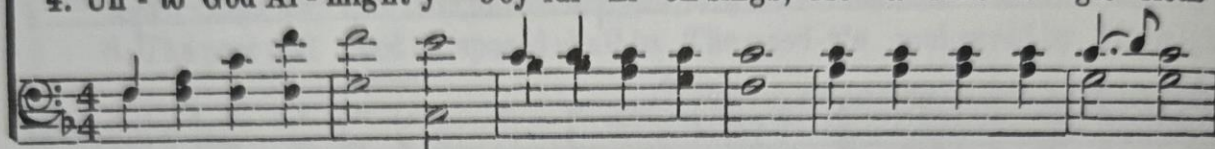
Psalm 72. 6s and 5s

St. Gertrude

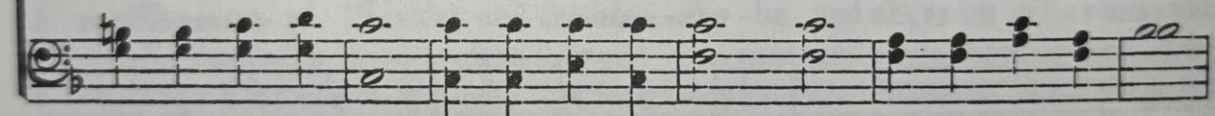
Arthur S. Sullivan



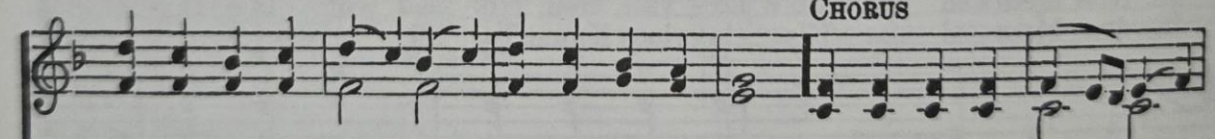
1. Christ shall have dominion O-ver land and sea, Earth's re-mot-est re-gions
2. When the needy seek Him, He will mer-cy show; Yea, the weak and help-less
3. Ev-er and for-ev-er Shall His Name endure, Long as suns con-tin-ue
4. Un-to God Al-might-y Joy-ful Zi-on sings; He a-lone is glo-rious



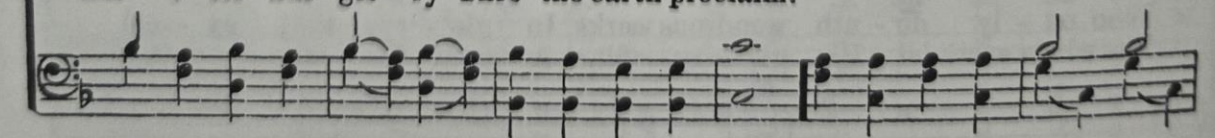
Shall His em-pire be; They that wilds in-hab-it Shall their worship bring,
 Shall His pit-y know; He will sure-ly save them From oppressions might,
 It shall stand se-cure; And in Him for-ev-er All men shall be blest,
 Do-ing wondrous things. Ev-er-more, ye peo-ple, Bless His glorious Name,



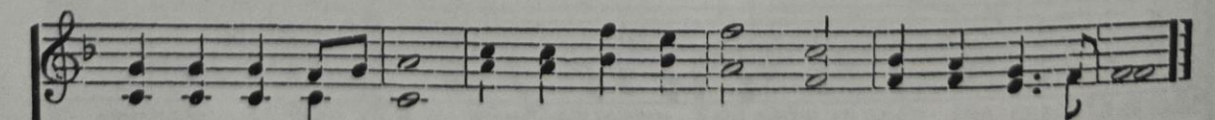
CHORUS



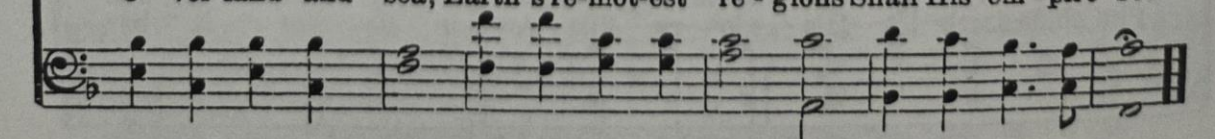
Kings shall render trib-ute, Nations serve our King.
 For their lives are pre-cious In His ho-ly sight. Christ shall have do-min-ion
 And all nations hail Him King of kings confessed
 His e-ter-nal glo-ry Thro' the earth proclaim.



Selected Stanzas



O-ver land and sea, Earth's re-mot-est re-gions Shall His em-pire be.



699

Like a River Glorious

I will extend peace to her like a river. Is. 66:12

1. Like a riv - er glo - rious is God's per - fect peace, o - ver
 2. Hid - den in the hol - low of his bless - ed hand, nev - er
 3. Ev - 'ry joy or tri - al fall - eth from a - bove, traced up -

all vic - to - rious in its bright in - crease; per - fect, yet it
 foe can fol - low, nev - er trai - tor stand; not a surge of
 on our di - al by the Sun of Love. We may trust him

flow - eth full - er ev - 'ry day, per - fect, yet it grow - eth deep - er
 wor - ry, not a shade of care, not a blast of hur - ry, touch the
 ful - ly all for us to do; they who trust him whol - ly find him

REFRAIN

all the way.
 spir - it there. Stayed up - on Je - ho - vah, hearts are ful - ly blest,
 whol - ly true.

God's Perfect Law

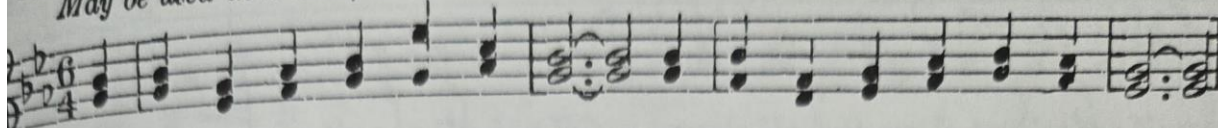
God's Law

Chas. E. Gabriel

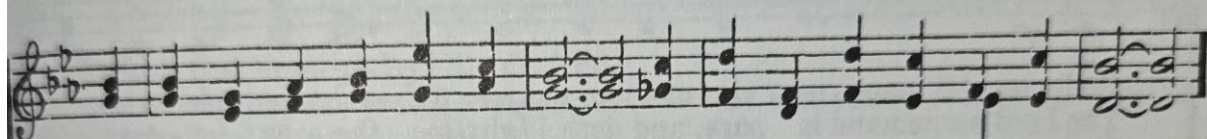
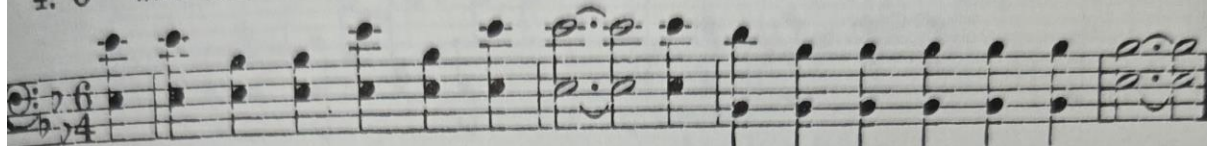
4

Psalm 19. 88

May be used as a duet, with chorus



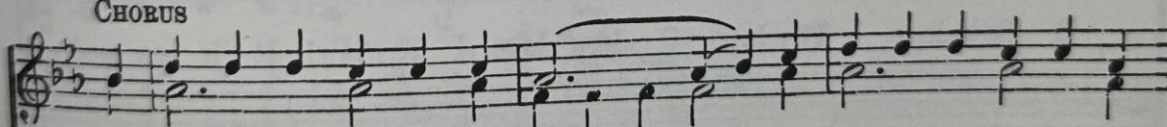
1. The law that the Lord has or - dained Is per-fect, the soul to re - store;
2. His pre-cepts are righteous and just, Re-joic-ing the heart and the mind;
3. Such treasure no gold can sup - ply, Such sweetness no hon-ey af - ford;
4. O who can his er-rors dis - cern? From hidden faults, Lord, keep me free;



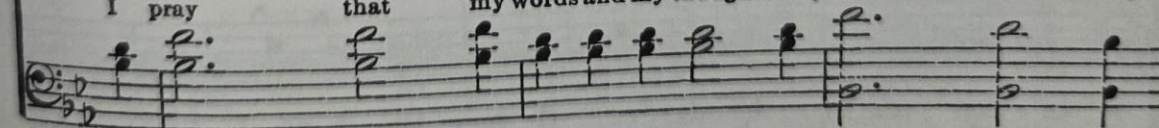
His truth makes the simple most wise, The truth that is sure ev - er - more.
And all His commandments are pure, Enlight'ning the eyes of the blind.
Their warnings none heed and o - bey But find most a-bund - ant re - ward.
Let pride nev - er reign in my heart, And clear of great sin I shall be.



CHORUS



I pray that my words and my thoughts. . . . May all with Thy precepts ac -
I pray that my words and my thoughts May all with Thy



cord, ... And ev - er be pleasing to Thee, My Rock, my Redeemer, my Lord.
precepts ac-cord.



Bonclarken Weekend Itinerary

Friday - August 28, 2026

4:00 pm Check in
Supper - on your own
8:00 pm Bonfire / S'mores – Lake

Saturday - August 29, 2026

8:30 am Breakfast – Convocation
10:00 am Morning Free Time
- Scavenger Hunt – Convocation
- Sports – Old Gym
12:30 pm Lunch – Convocation
1:30 pm Free Time
- Fishing Rodeo - Bonclarken Lake
- Sports - Old Gym
6:00 pm Cookout – **Convocation**
6:45 pm Psalm Sing
7:30 pm Ice Cream & Cookies
8:30 pm Music Trivia & Game Night

Sunday - August 30, 2026

8:30 am Breakfast – Convocation
10:00 am Men's prayer group
11:00 am Worship Service
12:45 pm Covered Dish Lunch
Clean up and head home

Bonclarken Weekend Itinerary

Friday - August 28, 2026

4:00 pm Check in
Supper - on your own
8:00 pm Bonfire / S'mores – Lake

Saturday - August 29, 2026

8:30 am Breakfast – Convocation
10:00 am Morning Free Time
- Scavenger Hunt – Convocation
- Sports – Old Gym
12:30 pm Lunch – Convocation
1:30 pm Free Time
- Fishing Rodeo - Bonclarken Lake
- Sports - Old Gym
6:00 pm Cookout – **Convocation**
6:45 pm Psalm Sing
7:30 pm Ice Cream & Cookies
8:30 pm Music Trivia & Game Night

Sunday - August 30, 2026

8:30 am Breakfast – Convocation
10:00 am Men's prayer group
11:00 am Worship Service
12:45 pm Covered Dish Lunch
Clean up and head home

Bethany ARP Bonclarken Weekend
August 28–30, 2026

Our Bonclarken Weekend is just around the corner! Here are a few details to help you prepare.

Meals

New This Year: Instead of asking for food donations, we will be collecting \$15 per adult and \$10 per child (ages 3–12) to help cover the cost of groceries. This fee includes Saturday breakfast, lunch, and dinner, as well as Sunday breakfast.

Meal sign-up sheets are located in the back of the sanctuary for anyone planning to attend the meals. It is important that we have an accurate headcount so we can plan accordingly. We encourage everyone to bring a dish to share for our covered dish lunch on Sunday.

Lodging

There are still several Founders South rooms and campground campsites available. If you would like to stay in Bonclarken housing, please let Natalie Hodges know by July 31. We have also reserved Virginia Cottage, which is available at no charge for anyone wishing to stay there. Check-in begins at 4:00 p.m. If you arrive after 5:00 p.m. on Friday, your room keys will be waiting in an envelope on the key board in the Bonclarken office.

Volunteers Needed

If you are willing to help with grilling, cooking, setup, or cleanup, please let **Natalie** or **Mary** know. Your help is greatly appreciated! Many hands make light work, and we're thankful for everyone who pitches in to make this weekend a blessing for our church family.

Bethany ARP Bonclarken Weekend
August 28–30, 2026

Our Bonclarken Weekend is just around the corner! Here are a few details to help you prepare.

Meals

New This Year: Instead of asking for food donations, we will be collecting \$15 per adult and \$10 per child (ages 3–12) to help cover the cost of groceries. This fee includes Saturday breakfast, lunch, and dinner, as well as Sunday breakfast.

Meal sign-up sheets are located in the back of the sanctuary for anyone planning to attend the meals. It is important that we have an accurate headcount so we can plan accordingly. We encourage everyone to bring a dish to share for our covered dish lunch on Sunday.

Lodging

There are still several Founders South rooms and campground campsites available. If you would like to stay in Bonclarken housing, please let Natalie Hodges know by July 31. We have also reserved Virginia Cottage, which is available at no charge for anyone wishing to stay there. Check-in begins at 4:00 p.m. If you arrive after 5:00 p.m. on Friday, your room keys will be waiting in an envelope on the key board in the Bonclarken office.

Volunteers Needed

If you are willing to help with grilling, cooking, setup, or cleanup, please let **Natalie** or **Mary** know. Your help is greatly appreciated! Many hands make light work, and we're thankful for everyone who pitches in to make this weekend a blessing for our church family.

Announcements

DEACON NOMINATIONS: The Session has received sufficient nominations for the office of deacon for the Class of 2029. There are three slots for this class and one for the Class of 2027. Please let an elder or Rev. Glaser know if you have any questions or have a nomination. Nominations will be closed September 1st.

MONDAY/WEDNESDAY DEVOTION: For Mondays what I'll do is pick out one item from the Sunday morning sermon to expound on a little bit more with particular focus on applying the lesson for the week. It will close with a word of encouragement toward the next Sunday morning passage. Time will still be around 5-7 minutes. We'll continue to do that "What's That Word?" Wednesday, and it will be as I receive them. Feel free to email, text, FB message ideas you'd like to see covered beginning Wednesday, August 5th.

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP: As we return to our ordinary pattern of morning and evening worship at Bethany ARP on the Lord's Day, 11am and 5:30pm, we invite you to come and close the day in spiritual blessing full of fellowship and grace. For the month of August we'll be looking at the way the Bible is given to God's covenant people for their good and how to use it.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: Jan McGill and Katlyn Long along with Rev. Glaser and Jeanne Seay are excited to welcome you back to our Wednesday evening youth group and adult prayer meeting! On August 12th at 6:30pm we'll be moving along in God's grace to a time of fun and time together. More info will be available soon as to the content/focus of Wed. nights.

BETHANY ON SOCIAL MEDIA: Be sure to be following our church's accounts on Tik-Tok, Instagram, and Facebook as we send out information, reports on activities at Bethany, and share the good news of Jesus Christ through these outlets. Like and subscribe!

Announcements

DEACON NOMINATIONS: The Session has received sufficient nominations for the office of deacon for the Class of 2029. There are three slots for this class and one for the Class of 2027.

MONDAY/WEDNESDAY DEVOTION: For Mondays what I'll do is pick out one item from the Sunday morning sermon to expound on a little bit more with particular focus on applying the lesson for the week. It will close with a word of encouragement toward the next Sunday morning passage. Time will still be around 5-7 minutes. We'll continue to do that "What's That Word?" Wednesday, and it will be as I receive them. Feel free to email, text, FB message ideas you'd like to see covered beginning Wednesday, August 5th.

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP: As we return to our ordinary pattern of morning and evening worship at Bethany ARP on the Lord's Day, 11am and 5:30pm, we invite you to come and close the day in spiritual blessing full of fellowship and grace. For the month of August we'll be looking at the way the Bible is given to God's covenant people for their good and how to use it.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: Jan McGill and Katlyn Long along with Rev. Glaser and Jeanne Seay are excited to welcome you back to our Wednesday evening youth group and adult prayer meeting! On August 5th at 6:30pm we'll be moving along in God's grace to a time of fun and time together. More info will be available soon as to the content/focus of Wed. nights.

BETHANY ON SOCIAL MEDIA: Be sure to be following our church's accounts on Tik-Tok, Instagram, and Facebook as we send out information, reports on activities at Bethany, and share the good news of Jesus Christ through these outlets. Like and subscribe!

+

Announcements

DEACON NOMINATIONS: The Session has received sufficient nominations for the office of deacon for the Class of 2029. There are three slots for this class and one for the Class of 2027. Please let an elder or Rev. Glaser know if you have any questions or have a nomination. Nominations will be closed September 1st.

MONDAY/WEDNESDAY DEVOTION: For Mondays what I'll do is pick out one item from the Sunday morning sermon to expound on a little bit more with particular focus on applying the lesson for the week. It will close with a word of encouragement toward the next Sunday morning passage. Time will still be around 5-7 minutes. We'll continue to do that "What's That Word?" Wednesday, and it will be as I receive them. Feel free to email, text, FB message ideas you'd like to see covered beginning Wednesday, August 5th.

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP: As we return to our ordinary pattern of morning and evening worship at Bethany ARP on the Lord's Day, 11am and 5:30pm, we invite you to come and close the day in spiritual blessing full of fellowship and grace. For the month of August we'll be looking at the way the Bible is given to God's covenant people for their good and how to use it.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: Jan McGill and Katlyn Long along with Rev. Glaser and Jeanne Seay are excited to welcome you back to our Wednesday evening youth group and adult prayer meeting! On August 12th at 6:30pm we'll be moving along in God's grace to a time of fun and time together. More info will be available soon as to the content/focus of Wed. nights.

BETHANY ON SOCIAL MEDIA: Be sure to be following our church's accounts on Tik-Tok, Instagram, and Facebook as we send out information, reports on activities at Bethany, and share the good news of Jesus Christ through these outlets. Like and subscribe!

Announcements

TUESDAY/THURSDAY DEVOTION: For Tuesday we'll continue to do a somewhat potpourri format. That being said if there are particular items that are of a more spiritual nature that you desire to be covered in more detail please let me know. For Thursdays we completed the Directory of Family Worship in May. I hope going through the Westminster Standards was beneficial to you. I like the format of expounding and explaining the faith once delivered unto the saints on Thursday.

DEACON/SESSION MEETING NOTES:

1) Cemetery projects

Discussion was had about the plaques which will be going by the flag pole. It was moved to have a granite bench to honor our veterans. There will be a granite monument to recognize the unmarked graves.

2) Future projects

A) There will be a carport installed in the next few weeks for the church van.
B) More discussion was had about the need of a new fellowship hall. It was approved to move forward with the planning process for this new building and the rehabilitation of the current fellowship hall to house a new nursery and pastor's study, among other things.

3) Session Meeting

A) Outside of prayer for the needs of Bethany and conversation about summer activities it was moved and seconded to look into forming a new staff position at Bethany: to have a dedicated Youth Director who will oversee all youth activities at Bethany and will report to the Session. This may be a paid position and may be someone outside Bethany. Prayer is welcome as the session prayerfully considers this forward looking action as the Lord blesses us with children and youth.

Announcements

TUESDAY/THURSDAY DEVOTION: For Tuesday we'll continue to do a somewhat potpourri format. That being said if there are particular items that are of a more spiritual nature that you desire to be covered in more detail please let me know. For Thursdays we completed the Directory of Family Worship in May. I hope going through the Westminster Standards was beneficial to you. I like the format of expounding and explaining the faith once delivered unto the saints on Thursday.

DEACON/SESSION MEETING NOTES:

1) Cemetery projects

Discussion was had about the plaques which will be going by the flag pole. It was moved to have a granite bench to honor our veterans. There will be a granite monument to recognize the unmarked graves.

2) Future projects

A) There will be a carport installed in the next few weeks for the church van.
B) More discussion was had about the need of a new fellowship hall. It was approved to move forward with the planning process for this new building and the rehabilitation of the current fellowship hall to house a new nursery and pastor's study, among other things.

3) Session Meeting

A) Outside of prayer for the needs of Bethany and conversation about summer activities it was moved and seconded to look into forming a new staff position at Bethany: to have a dedicated Youth Director who will oversee all youth activities at Bethany and will report to the Session. This may be a paid position and may be someone outside Bethany. Prayer is welcome as the session prayerfully considers this forward looking action as the Lord blesses us with children and youth.

Announcements

TUESDAY/THURSDAY DEVOTION: For Tuesday we'll continue to do a somewhat potpourri format. That being said if there are particular items that are of a more spiritual nature that you desire to be covered in more detail please let me know. For Thursdays we completed the Directory of Family Worship in May. I hope going through the Westminster Standards was beneficial to you. I like the format of expounding and explaining the faith once delivered unto the saints on Thursday.

DEACON/SESSION MEETING NOTES:

1) Cemetery projects

Discussion was had about the plaques which will be going by the flag pole. It was moved to have a granite bench to honor our veterans. There will be a granite monument to recognize the unmarked graves.

2) Future projects

A) There will be a carport installed in the next few weeks for the church van.
B) More discussion was had about the need of a new fellowship hall. It was approved to move forward with the planning process for this new building and the rehabilitation of the current fellowship hall to house a new nursery and pastor's study, among other things.

3) Session Meeting

A) Outside of prayer for the needs of Bethany and conversation about summer activities it was moved and seconded to look into forming a new staff position at Bethany: to have a dedicated Youth Director who will oversee all youth activities at Bethany and will report to the Session. This may be a paid position and may be someone outside Bethany. Prayer is welcome as the session prayerfully considers this forward looking action as the Lord blesses us with children and youth.

Announcements

SUNSHINE BASKET: The Sunshine Basket this month will be for David Gordon. It will be collected on August 23rd. Please put soft food items such as applesauce, Boost, protein drinks, anything that is easy to swallow.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY BOOK FOR 2027: The Study Books for 2027 are available for purchase for \$10.00. If you would like to purchase a copy, please give the money to Susan Gordon and then Brandy Glaser will give you a copy.

DIRECTORIES: Church directories are available if you would like a printed copy. One copy per household is available on the front pew. Please highlight your household’s name on the list if you take a copy.

NURSERY COORDINATOR: The WOC is looking for a nursery coordinator. If you would like to serve in this capacity, please speak with Kelly Gordon.

Announcements

SUNSHINE BASKET: The Sunshine Basket this month will be for David Gordon. It will be collected on August 23rd. Please put soft food items such as applesauce, Boost, protein drinks, anything that is easy to swallow.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY BOOK FOR 2027: The Study Books for 2027 are available for purchase for \$10.00. If you would like to purchase a copy, please give the money to Susan Gordon and then Brandy Glaser will give you a copy.

DIRECTORIES: Church directories are available if you would like a printed copy. One copy per household is available on the front pew. Please highlight your household’s name on the list if you take a copy.

NURSERY COORDINATOR: The WOC is looking for a nursery coordinator. If you would like to serve in this capacity, please speak with Kelly Gordon.

Announcements

SUNSHINE BASKET: The Sunshine Basket this month will be for David Gordon. It will be collected on August 23rd. Please put soft food items such as applesauce, Boost, protein drinks, anything that is easy to swallow.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY BOOK FOR 2027: The Study Books for 2027 are available for purchase for \$10.00. If you would like to purchase a copy, please give the money to Susan Gordon and then Brandy Glaser will give you a copy.

DIRECTORIES: Church directories are available if you would like a printed copy. One copy per household is available on the front pew. Please highlight your household’s name on the list if you take a copy.

NURSERY COORDINATOR: The WOC is looking for a nursery coordinator. If you would like to serve in this capacity, please speak with Kelly Gordon.