

Bethany Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

August 30, 2026

Rev. Benjamin Glaser, D. Min, Pastor

Lord’s Day Morning Worship Order of Service

Prelude “Christ’s World-Dominion”

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship Matthew 11:27-30

*Bible Song “Nature’s Tribute to God” #33 v. 1-4

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

*Scripture Lesson 2 Kings 17:1-4

Children’s Moment

*Bible Song “How Excellent Thy Name” #15 v. 1-5

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon “*The Sincerity of Your Love*” 2 Cor. 8:8-15

*Bible Song “The Praises of Heaven and Earth” #313 v. 1-3

*Benediction Numbers 6:22-27

*Postlude chorus #313

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

- Nursery today will be in the back corner (0-4) as need may arise.
- After morning service we invite you to help get things organized for our luncheon to follow. Also, please place your Bible Song book in the box provided at the back. Thanks!
- 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!
- Thank you to all who make our Bonclarken weekend great!
- Please place your offering in one of the plates by the back 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. 30th: Joanna Earls, Brandi Smith, Kinsley Smith
Sept. 6th: Mary McGill, Lydia Carroll, Riley Carroll

FINANCIAL REPORT

August 23rd: \$ 3,466.00
Needed Weekly: \$ 3,669.15
Runda Mission Project: \$5,346

Weekly Schedule of Classes & Studies

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

What Does It Mean to Have an Authentic Faith in Christ?

How Do We Discern the Seriousness of Our Confession?

What is a Good Way to Show That Love to Our Neighbor?

Where Are Your Hopes and Joys in Service to the Lord God?

Verses for Reflection

Micah 6:8, Phil. 2:5-8, Leviticus 26:13

Luke 6:43-45, Proverbs 25:14, Gal. 6:10

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Lord's Day Evening Worship

Sunday Evening Service
Will Return Next Sunday
at 5:30pm

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

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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)

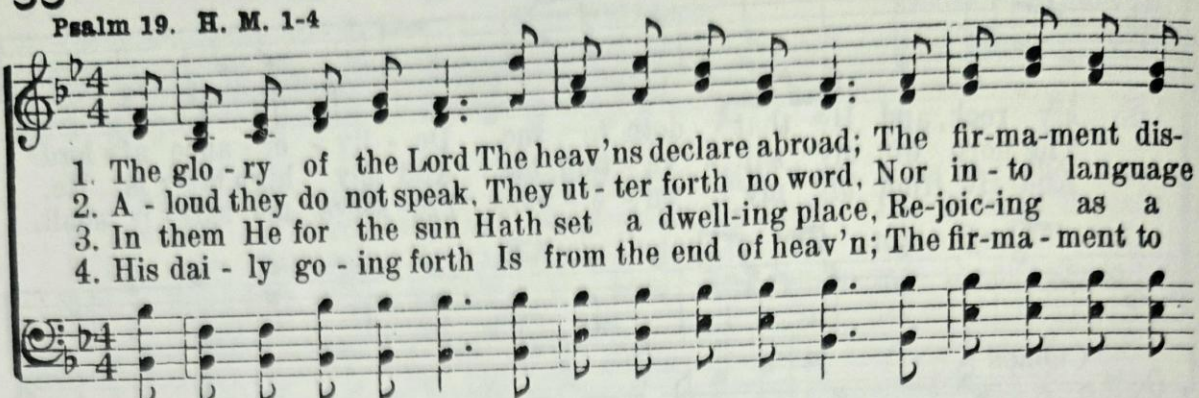
Equipping the Saints For the Work of Ministry (Eph. 4:12)

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

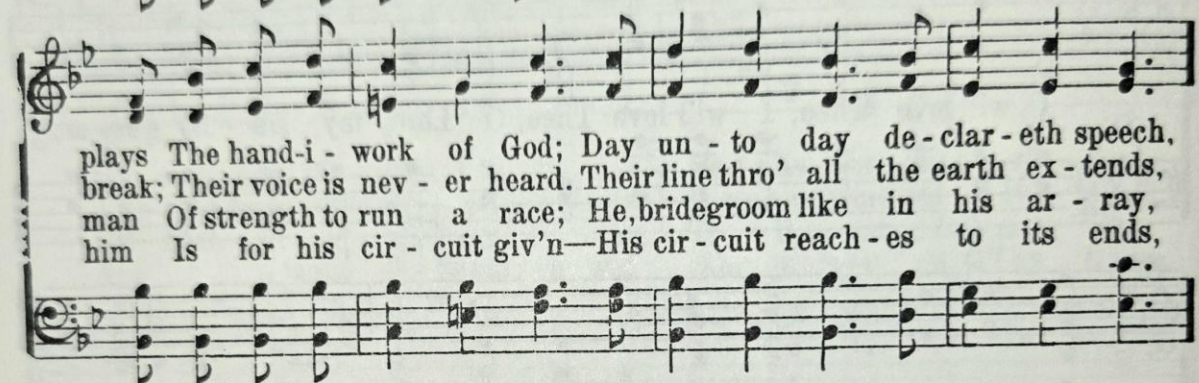
Nature's Tribute To God

Chas. H. Gabriel

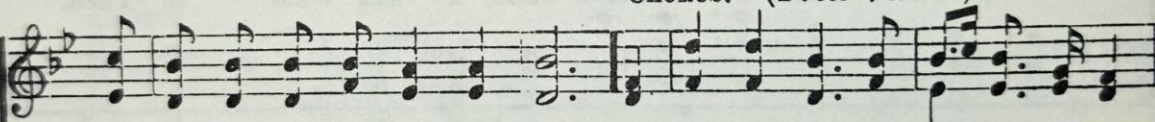
Psalm 19. H. M. 1-4



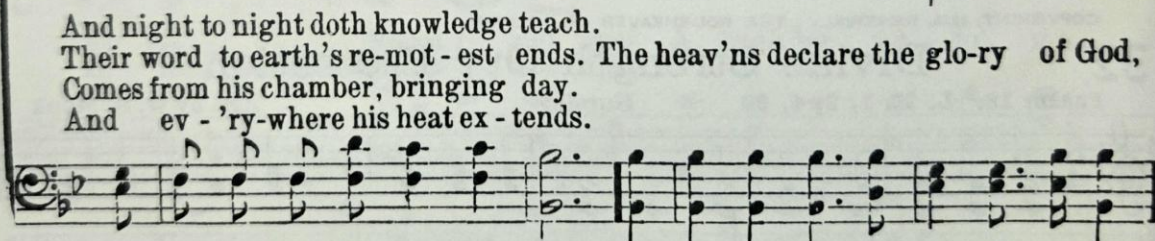
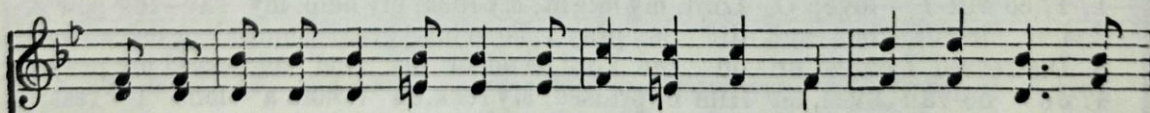
1. The glo - ry of the Lord The heav'ns declare abroad; The fir-ma-ment dis-
 2. A - loud they do not speak, They ut - ter forth no word, Nor in - to language
 3. In them He for the sun Hath set a dwell-ing place, Re-joic-ing as a
 4. His dai - ly go - ing forth Is from the end of heav'n; The fir-ma - ment to



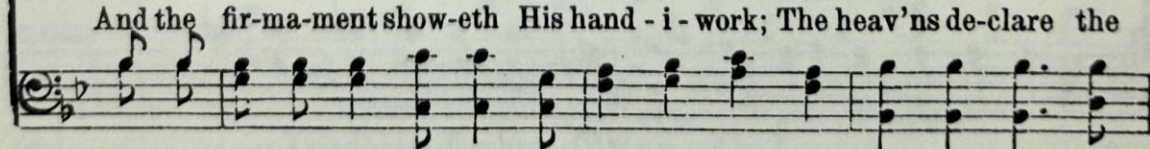
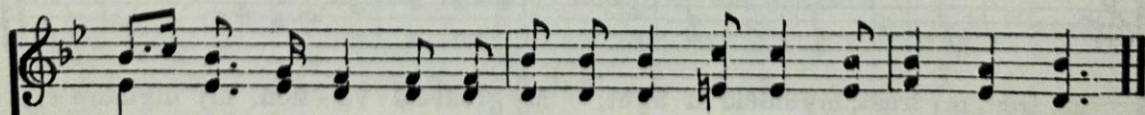
plays The hand-i - work of God; Day un - to day de - clar - eth speech,
 break; Their voice is nev - er heard. Their line thro' all the earth ex - tends,
 man Of strength to run a race; He, bridegroom like in his ar - ray,
 him Is for his cir - cuit giv'n—His cir - cuit reach - es to its ends,

CHORUS. (*Prose Version*)


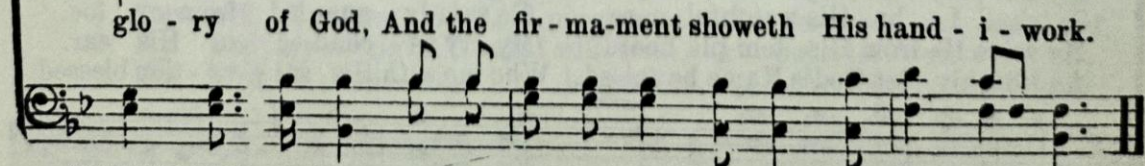
And night to night doth knowledge teach.
 Their word to earth's re-mot - est ends. The heav'ns declare the glo-ry of God,
 Comes from his chamber, bringing day.
 And ev - 'ry-where his heat ex - tends.

And the fir-ma-ment show-eth His hand - i - work; The heav'ns de-clare the

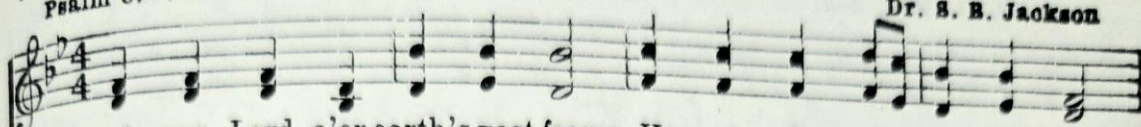
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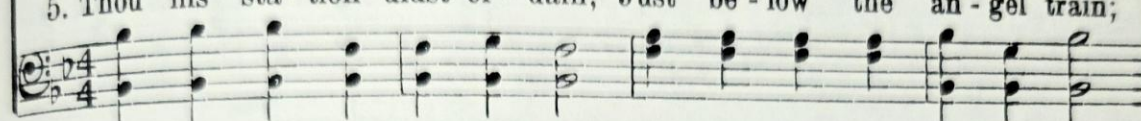
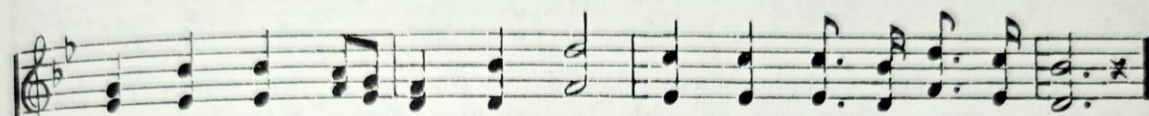
How Excellent Thy Name

Psalm 8. 7s. 1-5

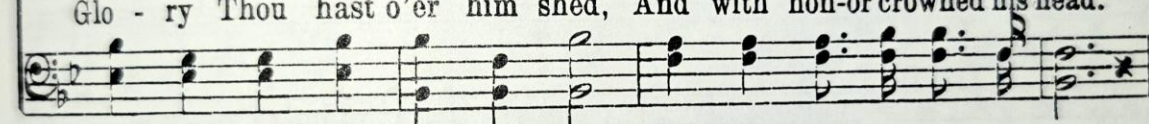
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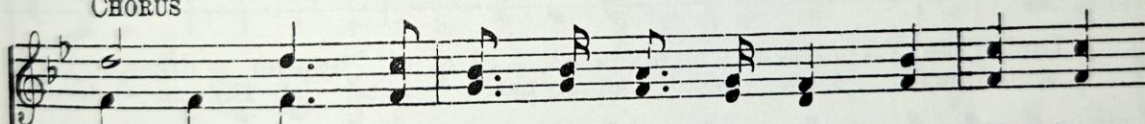
1. Lord, our Lord, o'er earth's vast frame, How ex - alt - ed is Thy Name!
 2. From the mouth of chil-dren young From the in - fant's lisping tongue,
 3. When Thy heav-ens I sur - vey, Which Thy fin - gers' work dis - play,
 4. What is man that in Thy mind He a con-stant place should find?
 5. Thou his sta - tion didst or - dain, Just be - low the an - gel train;

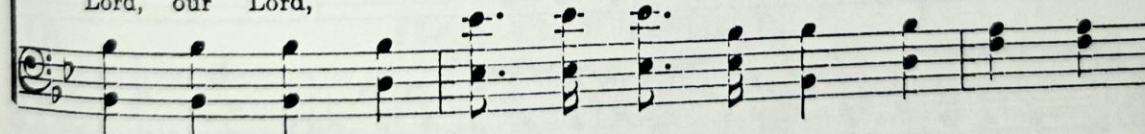
Who hast set Thy glo - ry bright, Far a - bove the heaven's height.
 Match-less strength Thou hast or - dained, Thus Thy vengeful foes re - strained.
 When the moon and stars I see Or - dered all by Thy de - cree:
 What the son of man that he Should be vis - it - ed by Thee?
 Glo - ry Thou hast o'er him shed, And with hon - or crowned his head.



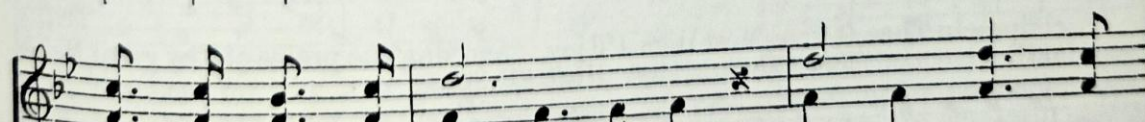
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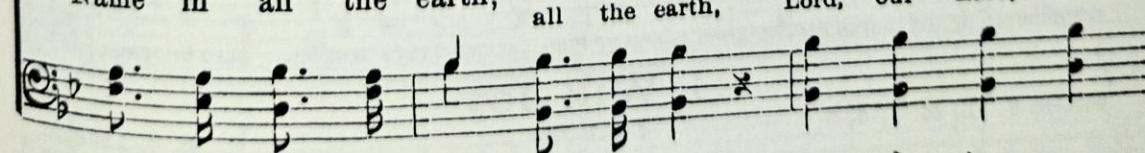
O Lord, our Lord, how ex - cel - lent Thy Name! How great Thy



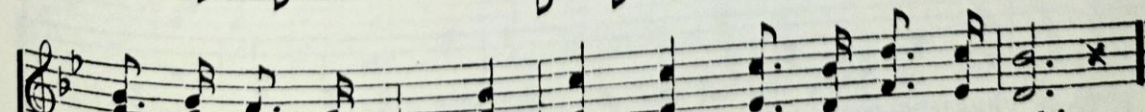
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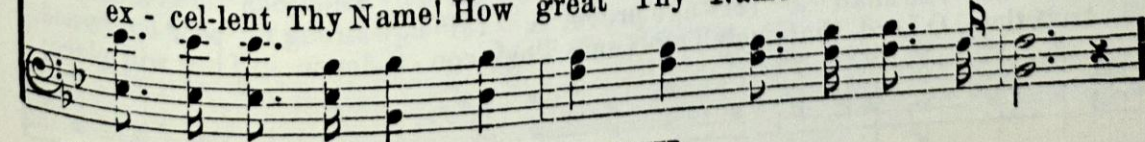
Name in all the earth, all the earth, O Lord, our Lord, how



Lord, our Lord,



ex - cel - lent Thy Name! How great Thy Name in all the earth!



313 The Praises Of Heaven And Earth

Psalms 148. 8s and 7s. 1-7 Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Wm. J. Kirkpatrick

1. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, From the heav - ens praise His Name;
 2. Let them prais - es give Je - ho - vah, They were made at His com - mand;
 3. All ye fruit - ful trees and ce - dars, All ye hills and mountains high,

Praise Je - ho - vah in the high - est, All His an - gels praise pro - claim.
 Them for - ev - er He es - tab - lished, His de - cree shall ev - er stand.
 Creeping things, and beasts and cat - tle, Birds that in the heav - ens fly,

All His hosts, to - geth - er praise Him, Sun and moon and stars on high;
 From the earth, O praise Je - ho - vah, All ye floods, ye drag - ons all,
 Kings of earth, and all ye peo - ple, Princes great, earth's judges all;

Praise Him, O ye heav'ns of heav - ens, And ye floods a - bove the sky.
 Fire, and hail, and snow, and va - pors, Storm - y winds that hear His call.
 Praise His Name, young men and maid - ens, A - ged men and children small.

CHORUS

Let them prais - es give Je - ho - vah, For His Name a - lone is high,
 Let them prais - es

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The Praises Of Heaven And Earth

And His glo - ry is ex - alt - ed, And His glo - ry is ex - alt - ed,
 And His glo - ry *pp* and His glo - ry *p*

And His glo - ry is ex - alt - ed Far a - bove the earth and sky.
 And His glo - ry *f*

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