

Bethany Presbyterian Church

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January 16, 2022 – 11:00 am *Second Sunday after Epiphany*



"That Time When Jesus Flipped Out"

"He said to the dove sellers, 'Get these things out of here! Don't make my Father's house a place of business.'

His disciples remembered that it is written, Passion for your house consumes me."

John 2:16-17 (CEB)

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Welcome to our service of worship. Although we are worshipping in a variety of locations, we still affirm that God is present in our worship, whether in-person or virtually. Our prayer is that all who worship with us this day will truly feel the presence of God in this time. Portions of today's liturgy are taken from Ruth Burgess, Winter (Glasgow: Wild Goose Publications, 2016).

TRINITY CHIMES

PRELUDE: Bring Them In

TOM BIRCHWOOD/BASED ON "SHEPHERD" BY W.A. OGDEN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* CALL TO WORSHIP

God, source of life and abundant love, We gather to praise and worship you.
God, wellspring of goodness and amazing grace, We gather to praise and worship you.
God, essence of justice and eternal joy, We gather to praise and worship you.
God, heartbeat of hospitality and never-failing hope, We gather to praise and worship you.

NORMAN SHANKS, "MAY OUR HEARTS AND MINDS BE OPEN"

O for a thousand tongues to sing My dear Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of God's grace!

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.

Christ breaks the power of reigning sin, And sets the prisoner free; Christ's blood can make the sinful clean, Christ's blood availed for me.

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name.

OFFERING OURSELVES FOR RENEWAL

A Prayer for Illumination

The word of the Lord is like fire in my bones;

I am weary with holding it in.

Holy Spirit, be with us and illuminate these readings in our minds and in our hearts, that we may truly encounter your Word in these words. **Amen.**

ENCOUNTERING SCRIPTURE

PSALM 127:1-2 JOHN 2:13-25

PEW BIBLE, PAGE 768

PEW BIBLE, PAGES 1291

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

TELLING THE TRUTH ABOUT OURSELVES

RUTH BAMFORTH

Choices are hard to make. Decisions are hard to take. Where there's cheating, lying, bullying, what do you do? When to speak out, and when to be silent? When to stand up for what you believe? Have you the courage of your convictions... to follow His lead?

Choosing what's wrong or right, deciding which cause to fight, for the hungry, homeless, destitute, what do you do?

When to speak out, and when to be silent? When to stand up for what you believe? Have you the courage of your convictions... to follow His lead?

Jesus knew when to speak; He championed the poor and weak, wanting fairness, justice, equality – we want them too!

So show me: when to speak out, and when to be silent, when to stand up for what I believe; give me the courage to follow my convictions... to follow Your lead, to follow Your lead.

A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

AN OFFERING OF GOD'S GRACE

Know that you are loved more deeply than you will ever know, and be at peace.

* RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE: What a Fellowship

E. A. HOFFMAN

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

AN OFFERING OF OUR RESOURCES

* A Doxology #592: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

THOMAS KEN

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

- * PRAYER OF DEDICATION
- * HYMN OF THE DAY #157 (GLORY TO GOD): Lord of the Dance

SYDNEY CARTER

I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth.

At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain:

Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he, and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee, but they would not dance and they would not follow me. I danced for the fishermen, for James and John. They came with me and the dance went on. [Refrain]

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame.

The holy people said it was a shame.

They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, and left me there on a cross to die. [Refrain]

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black. It's hard to dance with the devil on your back. They buried my body and they thought I'd gone, but I am the dance and I still go on. [Refrain]

They cut me down and I leapt up high.
I am the life that will never, never die.
I'll live in you if you'll live in me,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. [Refrain]

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S VOICE

THE WORD IN MUSIC: Contemplation at Sunrise Piano Solo Trygve Torjussen. Op. 4, No. 1/Arr. by David Sarandon

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Sermon: "That Time When Jesus Flipped Out"

REV. PHILLIPS

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD AS WE LEAVE TO SERVE

* CLOSING HYMN #441: I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

TIMOTHY DWIGHT

I love Thy kingdom, Lord, The house of Thine abode, The church our blessed Redeemer saved With His own precious blood.

> I love Thy church, O God; Her walls before Thee stand, Dear as the apple of Thine eye, And graven on Thy hand.

For her my tears shall fall, For her my prayers ascend; To her my cares and toils be given, Till toils and cares shall end.

Beyond my highest joy I prize her heavenly ways, Her sweet communion, solemn vows, Her hymns of love and praise.

Sure as Thy truth shall last,
To Zion shall be given
The brightest glories earth can yield
And brighter bliss of Heaven.

* CLOSING RESPONSES

May the God of justice lead us through the tumultuous seas. May the Christ who came to dwell among us renew the strength of our dreams. May the Holy Spirit guide us to still waters where justice, solidarity, and peace reign. *Amen.*

* **POSTLUDE:** The Heavens Declare the Glory

WILLIAM BARNETT

^{*} Please stand in body or spirit.



Our Faith Community @ Work

WORSHIP Ministry: (Lead Elders: Helen Brown and Karen Maxwell)

WELCOME to this virtual service of worship at Bethany Presbyterian Church (PCUSA). Whether you are a member or a visitor we are so glad that you are worshipping with us this morning and pray that this time of worship will be both renewing and rewarding for you. If you have any questions about Bethany, please speak to the pastor or call the church at

336.227.4041. You can find us online through our website at *www.bethanypreschurch.org*; on Facebook at *www.facebook.com/bethanypresbyterian*; or on Twitter by following *@bpresbyterian*.

"I will show love to those who were called unloved and, to those who were called 'not-my-people', I will say 'you are my people' and they will answer, 'you are our God.'" (Hosea 2:23) Bethany Presbyterian Church is a place where the mind is nourished as well as the spirit, and where we affirm the dignity and worth of every person. As we are all created in the image of God, we believe discrimination is incompatible with Christ's Gospel of unconditional love. While we celebrate our Presbyterian identity, we acknowledge that we are not alone on the path to understanding God. We invite conversations that move us to seek a deeper understanding of life in the Spirit. Be who you are and be welcome here.

A Note About the Offering: As we are temporarily worshipping online only during this time, you are invited to make your contribution in one of two ways: mail it in to the church, or use our quick and secure online giving platform. This can be accessed through our website, or by scanning the QR code on the last page of this bulletin. Thanks for your generosity and cooperation.

SERVE Ministry: (Lead Elders: Tina Patterson and Kim Snyder)

Our ongoing prayer list is below. Please let the church office know if there are any changes.

Bethany Members

Linda Abplanalp	Christopher Bagley	Katherine Bayliff
Barbara Cousins	Sylvia Donley	Henry Flythe
Pat Kennedy	Ron Kimrey	Ruby Martin
Joyce & Norman Mize	Shelvia Russell	Mike Sutton
Nancy Sutton		Ida Whitney
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Friends of Bethany

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Carol Brooks	Janie Holt Clapp	Jack Cook
Bill Faucette	Ben Johnson	Grace Johnson
Christy Lutterloh	Gaynell McCollum	Anne McDaniels
Diane Miller	Norma Proctor	Shannon Russell
Peter Slater	John & Ann Sutton	Tiffany Tauchren
Alex Thomas	Randy Thompson	Teresa Wilborn
Deborah & Larry	Cindy Uzzo	Frank Wrenn
,	Don Burenhiede	

TEACH Ministry: (Lead Elders: Tracey Troxler and Shelby Smith)

All are invited to take advantage of the several educational opportunities for all ages on Sunday mornings. Sunday school classes begin at 9:45 a.m.

Fellowship Class (Fellowship Classroom – by ramp door) - NOT CURRENTLY MEETING DUE TO COVID This class is using our denomination's *Present Word* curriculum and lives up to the class name in all aspects of their life here at Bethany.

Children (Upstairs – the really, really green room!)

This class for younger children is using our denomination's *We Believe* curriculum in introducing our children to the faith.

Youth (Upstairs, across from the choir room)

Using a variety of creative curricula, this class explores topics that relate to faith and adolescence.

SUPPORT Ministry: (Lead Elders: Chip Allen, Randy Cousins, and Bill Abplanalp)

Elders of the Month for January are Tina Patterson and Helen Brown.

Anniversaries & Birthdays

- Becky & David Eatmon January 6th
- Nancy & Rick Purcell January 23rd
- Joyce & Bobby Peele January 24th
- Sarah Osborne January 6th
- Joy Saleeby January 6th
- Bill Abplanalp January 10th
- Mike Sutton January 17th
- Ellen Phillips January 22nd
- A.J. Campbell January 23rd
- Norman Mize January 24th

Liturgist

January 30th

January 2nd Chip Allen
January 9th Helen Brown
January 16th
January 23rd

This Week's Calendar:

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9:45 – Sunday School for all ages (not meeting)

11:00 – Worship (Zoom and Live Stream)

Wednesday, January 19th:

6:30 – No Choir Practice

Sunday, January 23rd:

9:45 – Sunday School for all ages (not meeting)

11:00 – Worship (Zoom and Live Stream)

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Session

Moderator: Rev. Jon Phillips

Clerk: Randy Cousins
Treasurer: Glenn Patterson

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