



Bethel

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

*Timeless Truths for our
Changing Community*

Organized 1764

Our Vision

Joyfully obeying the Great Commandments
by obediently living the Great Commission.

Welcome to Bethel!

*The way to conquer sin is not by working hard
to change our deeds, but by trusting Jesus
to change our desires.*

David Platt

***The LORD'S Day
Sunday, July 27, 2025***

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~ ORDER OF WORSHIP ~

*All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.*

Psalm 22:27

Preparation

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Silent Meditation and Prayer on Psalm 71:20

You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive me again; from the depths of the earth You will bring me up again.

Adoration

***The Call to Worship (Read Responsively)**

Psalm 146 ESV

Pastor: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

People: I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Pastor: Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.

People: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry.

Pastor: The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

People: The LORD watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

All: The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!

***The Hymn of Praise** “All Creatures of Our God and King” *Trinity Hymnal #115*

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice with us and sing
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

O rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,
O praise him, alleluia!

Thou rising morn in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou flowing water, pure and clear, make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou fire, so masterful and bright that givest man both warmth and light,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye, alleluia!

Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on him cast your care,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one.
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

***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.*

- ¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,
² To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.
- ³ We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you,
⁴ since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints,
⁵ because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel,
⁶ which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and increasing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth,
⁷ just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf
⁸ and has made known to us your love in the Spirit.
- ⁹ And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,
¹⁰ so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;
¹¹ being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy;
¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.
¹³ He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,
¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Confession

The Call to Confession

Proverbs 28:12-13 ESV

When the righteous triumph, there is great glory, but when the wicked rise, people hide themselves. Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

The Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty, everlasting God and Father, we acknowledge and confess that we indeed were conceived and born in sin and, therefore, inclined to all evil and slow to all good; that we unceasingly transgress Your holy commandments, and corrupt ourselves more and more. However, we are sorry for this and humbly seek Your grace and help.

Therefore, have mercy upon us, most gracious and merciful God and Father, through Your Son our Lord Jesus Christ. Grant to us and increase in us Your Holy Spirit, so that we may recognize our sin and unrighteousness from the depth of our heart, feel true contrition and grief for them, die to them completely, and please You wholly in a new, godly life. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

The Silent Confession of Sin

***The Assurance of Forgiveness**

1 Peter 2:24-25 ESV

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls. Children of God, receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***The Song of Thanks**

"Come Ye Sinners"

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore.
Jesus, ready, stands to save you, Full of pity joined with power.
He is able, He is able; He is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come, and welcome; God's free bounty glorify:
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall.
If you tarry 'till you're better, you will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous; Sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream.
All the fitness He requires, is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you, this He gives you, 'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended; Pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him; venture wholly, let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus, can do helpless sinners good.

***The Confession of Faith**

The Heidelberg Catechism
Q & A 20, 21

Q. 20. Are all people then saved through Christ just as they were lost through Adam?

A. No. Only those are saved who through true faith are grafted into Christ and accept all his benefits.

Q. 21. What is true faith?

A. True faith is not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted trust, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also, forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace, granted solely by Christ's merit.

Collection

***The Offertory Scripture**

Psalm 51:16-17 ESV

For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

The Offertory Anthem

***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 Sermon

The Pastoral Prayer

***The Old Testament Reading**

Jonah 3:5-10 ESV
(pew Bible p. 921)

The Sermon

A Great Awakening

Pastor Chris Donnelly

- I. The peoples' _____ (v. 5)
 - A. The citizens of the community _____ Jonah was God's messenger and, therefore, trusted his _____.
 - B. Repentance is a _____ sorrow for sin, a renouncing of it, and a sincere commitment to walk in _____ to Christ going forward.
- II. The king's _____ (vs. 6-9)
 - A. He who held the _____ office in the kingdom took the _____ position of degradation.

B. Including the _____ in the royally mandated fast is an act of _____.

C. As the people of God, our _____ actions should always match our _____.

III. God _____ (v 10.)

A. Of all the _____ taken by the Ninevites, only the last, turning away from evil, is mentioned as explicitly leading to the Lord's _____ punishment.

B. Our Triune God's _____ heart is always sensitive to those who cry out for His _____.

Sermon Notes:

Answer Key: animals, heartfelt, delayed, decree, desperation, compassionate, repentance, obedience, mercy, outward, highest, supposed, prayers, relents, lowest, repentance, actions.

***The Closing Hymn**

“Take My Life, and Let It Be”

Trinity Hymnal #586

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee,
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing, always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee,
filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose,
ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne,
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store.
Take my self, and I will be ever, only, all for thee,
ever, only, all for thee.

***The Benediction**

Jude 1:24-25 ESV

²⁴Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless
before the presence of his glory with great joy,
²⁵to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty,
dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

***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	Harper Harvell and Lee Coble	Cullie Mounts and Lindsey Hall	Brittany Neely and Abby Chidester
Next Week	Grace & Pavlina Benes and Lawson Gray	Douglas McCarter and Ann Falls	Danielle Austin and Amanda Brummett

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 today to Aubree Britt Chambers! Happy Birthday this week to Kim Britt on 7/28; Asher Griesman on 7/29; Jackie Hinkle on 7/30; and Beth Wyatt and Daniel Seaford on 8/2.

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

If you would like a financial report, copies are located in the vestibule.

Saints, please prayerfully consider joining a community group this fall. Typically, these groups meet twice a month either on the 1st and 3rd or 2nd and 4th weeks. The goal of this ministry is to foster spiritual growth through honest conversations about the gospel and our lives. Several groups will start in August at a location near you. You can find out more about the available options on our website. If you have any further questions, please get in touch with Pastor Chris.

This Week at Bethel

Tuesday:

GriefShare, 6:30–8:30 pm, Covenant Classroom

Wednesday:

Senior Citizen's Lunch, 12:00 pm, FLC. WIC is providing the meal. If you committed to bring a door prize, please remember to bring that with you.

GriefShare, 1:00-3:00 pm, Covenant Classroom

Saturday:

Kids Night Out, 4:00-7:00 pm, FLC. Drop your kids off for a fun time of games, pizza, and a Bible story. Ages are potty trained and up. The suggested donation is \$10 per family. If you are interested, please sign up with Amanda Brummett. Save the date and invite a friend!

Next Week at Bethel

Youth Committee Meeting: Sunday, August 3, 4:00 pm, youth room

Youth: Sunday, August 3, 5:00 pm

Circle #1: Tuesday, August 5, 10:30 am, Ladies Parlor

GriefShare: Tuesday, August 5, 6:30-8:30 pm, Covenant Classroom

Diaconate Meeting: Tuesday, August 5, 7:00 pm

GriefShare: Wednesday, August 6, 1:00-3:00 pm, Covenant Classroom

Bethel Youth Group News

Pool Day: Today, Ivies' House, 6:00-8:00 pm

QR Code for Giving



Prayer requests:

- Recovery, healing, and strength: Becky Adams, Helen Bean, Laverne Beard, Tammy Carrick, Betsy Clinton, Shirley Coker, Deke Cox, Cary Grant, Charlotte Jackson, Don Johnson, Bill Keller, Barbara Love, Mary Love, Betty Jo McCarter, Eck Miller, Jenny Richards, Jackie Schropp, Kay Stewart, Scott Wallace, Diane Wyatt.
- Pray that we would be people who practice godly self-restraint: we would model good works at home, at work, and in our neighborhoods; have control over our passions; and live according to the New Testament's ethical commands, so that God will be glorified.
- Women's Ministry: God would use this ministry to strengthen relationships between the women of the congregation; the women of Bethel would feel loved by their Savior and find opportunities to utilize their spiritual gifts to serve the congregation and community.
- Pastor Chip McArthur, the staff, session, and congregation at Olivet Presbyterian Church, 159 Church Street, McConnells, SC 29726, (803) 693-4040.