

Bethany Presbyterian Church
July 14th, 2024 7th Sunday after Pentecost/Proper 10

CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Before the earth was formed, we were chosen by God to be God's people.

P: God gathers us together that we might sing of joy and hope, as God's beloved.

L: Before the stars glittered in the night sky, we were chosen through Christ to be God's family.

P: Christ gathers us together that we might carol the good news of redemption.

L: Before the rivers flowed to the seas, we were chosen by the Spirit to serve creation.

P: The Spirit gathers us together that we might dance in the fields of peace with our sisters and brothers.

HYMN "Open My Eyes That I May See" #381

CALL TO RECONCILIATION**

L: We toss and turn at night, unable to sleep because of the tunes running through our heads. But, if we listen carefully, we will discover that it is God singing to us, of that hope, that joy, that mercy offered to us, if we will but open our lives to the forgiveness and healing which is God's desire for us. Let us confess our out-of-tune lives, as we pray together, saying,

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION **

ALL: We would sing praises to you, Composer of our lives, but we remember the harsh words we used toward a friend this week. We would learn your healing hymns of grace, but the broken chords of our anger and pain echo deep within us. We would dance in the circle of your love, but we recall how quickly we turned and ran when offered opportunities to serve your people.

Forgive us, Gifter of every blessing. Open our hearts and fill us with your mercy. Open our ears that we may hear the songs of grace you would teach us to share with the world. Open our eyes that we may see the hope we have in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, our inheritance of love and joy.

***SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: Before the earth was shaped, God created the music of grace which sets our hearts, our souls, our feet to dancing with joy in the hope God has given to us.

P: It is God who has created us, it is God who has redeemed us, and it is God who sends us forth to live as brothers and sisters of Christ.

L: Friends, Believe the Good News

ALL: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen

GLORIA PATRI #623

CHURCH NEWS

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

(Please greet your neighbor with a virtual hug or handshake or wave saying "The peace of Christ be with you")

REDEDICATION OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

Offertory

Doxology

#625

Prayer of Dedication**

In this company of seekers, we find our inheritance – the deep richness of God's grace. With this company of seekers, we offer our gifts, so that others might be able to set their hopes on Christ, with whom we are all blessed by God. Amen.

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

First Reading	2 Samuel 6:1-5,12b-19	p.268
Second Reading	Ephesians 1:3-14	p.1017
Gospel Reading	Mark 6:14-29	p.872

Message Tammy Noss

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostles' Creed

HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" #382

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Hear our prayers, O Lord. **P: And let our cry come unto Thee.**

L: Let us bless the Lord! **P: Thanks be to God.**

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION/SENDING**

L: We are sent by God, to be God's people in the world.

P: We will go to sing of God's joy and hope to all.

L: We are called by Christ, adopted into God's gracious family.

P: We will go to share the good news of Christ's grace for everyone.

L: We are chosen by the Spirit to care for and serve creation.

P: We will go to join hands with our sisters and brothers in every moment.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "God Be With You"

God be with you till we meet again;
By His coun-sels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again

God be with you till we meet again;
'Neath His wings protecting hide you,
Daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again.

****@ Rev. Thom Shuman**

ORGANISTS: John Griffin and Elaine Bilger

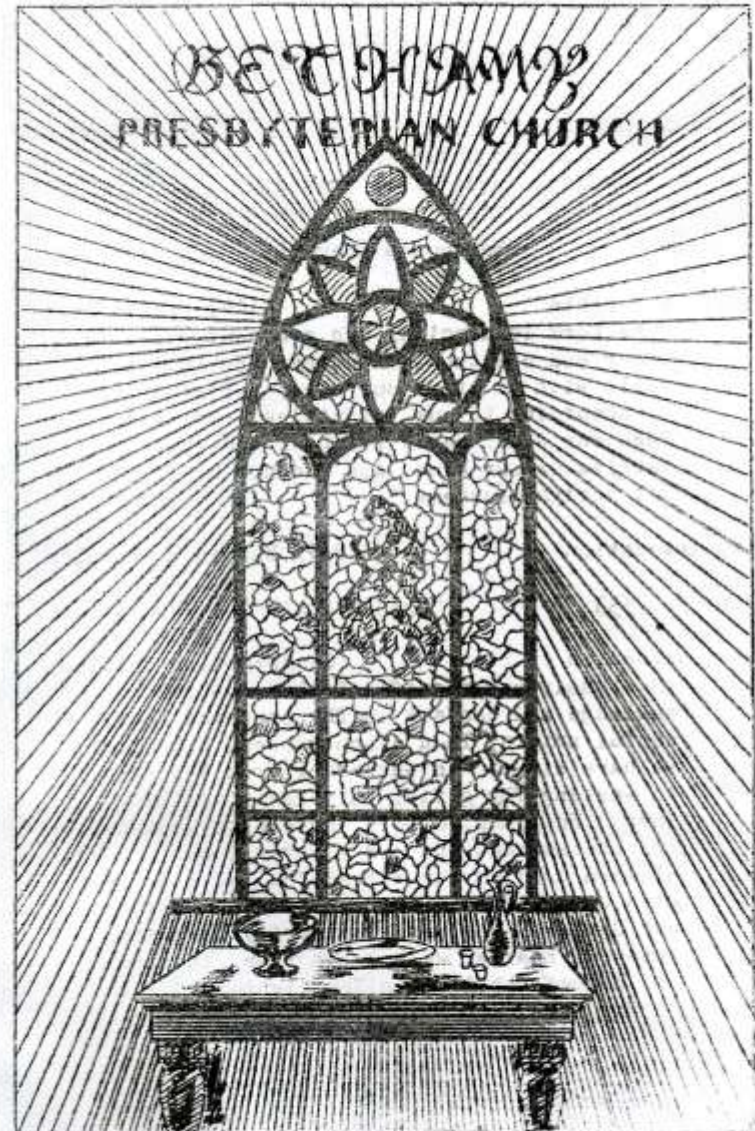
COMMISSIONED PASTOR: Denise Ann Todero

WORSHIP LEADER:

No Christian escapes a taste of the wilderness on the way to the Promised Land.....Evelyn Underhill

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It is the wounded oyster that mends its shell with pearl.
.....Ralph Waldo Emerson



Offering: 07/07
Attendance: 20
Local 499.00
Benev. 34.70
Improv. 29.30
Roof Fund 20.00
Total 583.00

Sunday July 14th
 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

Sunday July 21st
 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.



We Welcome Tammy Noss as our guest speaker this morning.

The West End Food Pantry is still in need of staples to keep their shelves stocked during the summer months. Non-perishable food donations can be placed in the bins by the main entrance. Monetary donations can be placed in the offering plate. Thank you for your support.

Ed Sheets is in need of small shipping boxes (ex: Amazon boxes). If you have some you would like to get rid of, they can be placed on the table in the adult Sunday School Room across from the Memorial Parlor. Thank you for your assistance!

Sign Ups For 2024 Lay Leaders and Flower/Bulletin Sponsorships are still being accepted. If you are interested, please see the back bulletin board for more information. You can also order flowers/bulletins on the church website.

Concerns: Keep the following people in your prayers...	
Lois Henry	Nancy Thomas
Dawna Sheets	Rich Horner
Jeanne Lehman	Dave & Karen Vivis
Marie Whorl	Joshua Holbay Family
Bev Holbay	Dominic Serratore
Mark Todero	Loretta Davidson
Carl Newfield	Irene Barefoot Bischof
Beverly Rager	Rodney Gramling
Mikey Ferante	Gary Lichtenfels
Jill Sheets	Bob Kinsey
Betty Clemenson	Randy Maurer
Pat Pecora	Lena Azzoli
Linda Orlidge	All Shut- Ins
Frank Cassat	All in Nursing Homes
JR Bilger	All First Responders
Linda Hayes	All Service Men & Women
Missy DiPlacido	All Healthcare Professionals

To Place Announcements Or Concerns List Names in the bulletin contact Ed Sheets at 539-3495 or email at bethanyjtown@hotmail.com or contact Pastor Denise at 814-248-8174 or email her at datodero55@gmail.com.
Please do not leave them on the church answering machine.

In Case of Emergency, please call Pastor Denise at 479-2382 or cell 248-8174. Do not depend on the hospital contacting the church or the pastor.

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