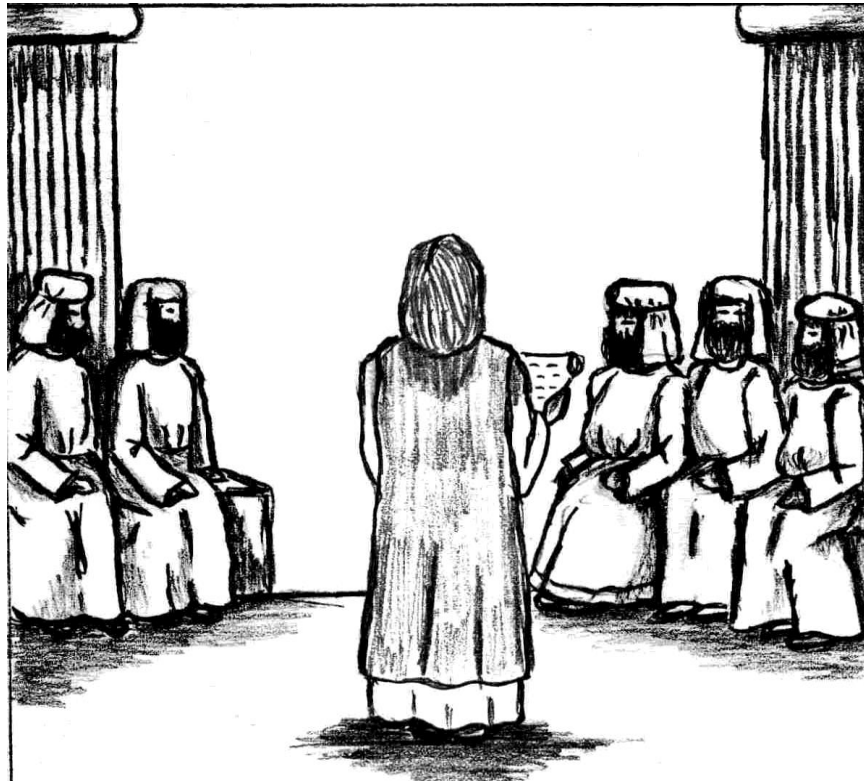


*Today this Scripture has been  
fulfilled in your hearing.*



**Bethany Presbyterian Church  
Blaine Street at Chandler Avenue  
Johnstown, PA**

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**MORNING WORSHIP**  
**January 31st, 2016 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**CALL TO WORSHIP\*\***

L: Loud talkers and silent worriers, glad-handers and lonely wallflowers:

**P: God gathers us together to be the Body of wonder and joy, of hope and healing.**

L: Bystanders with hands shoved into our pockets, fraidy-cats whose feet are frozen in place:

**P: Jesus calls us to carry grace to outsiders, to walk with all those left behind.**

L: Kids who never offer answers in class, bashful folks whose tongues tie in knots:

**P: The Spirit anoints us to speak up for the voiceless,  
to partner with the poor to discover their gifts.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE                    "To God Be the Glory"                    #66**

**\*CALL TO RECONCILIATION\*\***

L: We are afraid to join hands with others; we want to listen to those who speak falsely; we glibly offer silliness to those we love the most. Let us share with God how we have not been that Body we are made for, that God might reshape us into that holy community, even as we pray together, saying,

**\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION\*\***

**ALL: Do we make you laugh or weep, Gracious God? We sing that we are one in your Spirit, but cannot tolerate those who disagree with us. We talk of being one Body, but fight over music or Bible versions or carpet colors. We affirm the giftedness of each person, but we heap honor on just a special few.**

**Forgive us, Creative God, that we dismember your Body so easily. May the words of our mouths speak peace to the brokenness in our world; may the hopes of our hearts bring wonder to those in despair; and may our love embrace all**

**who are around us, even as we have been welcomed by your grace in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

**\*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L:....Friends, Believe the Good News

**ALL: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

**#623**

**CHURCH NEWS**

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS – SESSION-Class of 2018 Beverly Holbay, Bob Whorl, Linda Orlidge**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God 's only Son, our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he**

**ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,**

**the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*(Please greet your neighbor by saying, "The Peace of Christ be With You.")*

**REDEDICATION OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE**

**Offertory**

**\*Doxology**

**#625**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

## LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

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## MESSAGE

Denise Ann Todero, CRE

**\*HYMN**                    **"Holy, Holy, Holy"**                    **#262**

## 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

**\*HYMN**                    **"I Need Thee Every Hour"**                    **#428**

## \*BENEDICTION/SENDING

L: Now, we are scattered by our God,

**P: to go carry grace into a broken world.**

L: Now, Jesus scatters us,

**P: to bring justice to the outsiders, to visit all who are alone and lonely.**

L: Now, filled with the Spirit, we are scattered,

**P: to gather up the dispirited, to take hold of the lost and embrace them as family.**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** "Let There Be Peace"

***\*Those who are able please stand.***

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**ORGANISTS: John Griffin and Elaine Bilger**

**COMMISSIONED RULING ELDER: Denise Ann Todero**

**WORSHIP LEADER: Tina Varner**

**Offering: 1/17**  
**Attendance: 27**  
**Local        531.95**  
**Benev.       36.85**  
**Improv.     31.20**  
**Total       600.00**

**Sunday January 31st**  
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
**Installation & Ordination**  
  
**Sunday February 7th**  
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
**Souper Bowl of Caring**

**Our Christian Sympathies** go out to the family of Janet Miller who passed away on January 20th

**Session** will meet today after worship.

**First Fruits (Per Capita)** for 2016 is \$25. Please use the envelope provided with your offering envelopes.

**The Souper Bowl of Caring** will be held on next Sunday (Feb. 7). Following the service, a soup and sandwich luncheon will be served in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend both the service and the luncheon. See Ray Sheets for more information.

**Lay Leaders** are needed for 2016. If you are interested in helping out, please sign up on the bulletin board.

**Weekly Flower Orders** for 2016 are now being accepted. The cost is \$24 per week. If you are interested in ordering flowers for a week, please sign up on the back bulletin board.

<b>Concerns: Keep the following people in your prayers...</b>	
Don & Marlene Bennett	Greg Kaiser
Michael Robert Rose III	Bill & Patty Gramling
Darlene Rager	Bill Kegg
Phyllis Pfuhl	George Rager
Harry & Lillian Thiel	Jack Weiss
Lois Henry	Pat Minahan
Melinda Mendoza	Justin Korenoski
Jim Runkle Sr.	Kathy & Robert Wilks
Wanda Keifer	Marlene Rager
Katherine Minahan	Rob Dimitt
Gene Manners	John Norris
The Fockler Family	Logan Weaver
Jack Forsha	John Hale
Andrew Mayak	Mark Decoske
Dan Kresko	Robin Lazor
Olivia & Patrick Bragdon	Patty Coleman
Dick Dunkle	The Faint Family
Elizabeth Betty Molnar	The Miller Family
Christine Emerick	All Shut- Ins
Larry Holbay	All Service Men & Women

**To Place Announcements Or Concerns List Names** in the bulletin contact Ed Sheets at 539-3495 or email at [esheets91@hotmail.com](mailto:esheets91@hotmail.com) or contact Pastor Denise at 479-2382 or email her at [datodero@atlanticbb.net](mailto:datodero@atlanticbb.net).

**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.