

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

January 31, 2020

8:30 AM

WELCOME

GATHERING SONGS

1. King of Kings by Brooke Ligertwood

In the darkness, we were waiting
Without hope, without light
'Til from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfill the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings

And the morning that You rose
All of Heaven held its breath
'Til that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

And the church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel, shall not faint

By His blood and in His name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me, ohh

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2. In Christ Alone by Stuart Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

OPENING PRAYER:

Before we speak, God is here, within us and among us, knocking at our door.

Living God, open what is closed, that the Spirit may come in.

Open our hands to give and to greet. Open our minds to new truth and old wisdom. Open our hearts to new hope and old assurance.

Open what is closed, that the Spirit may come in.

ASKING FOR FORGIVENESS

Persistent, tenacious God, our Creator, our Lover: you call, but we do not listen. You offer signs of your presence, but we are too preoccupied to see them. You offer your comfort, but we resist and seek our own way. Our own anxieties are signs that things in our lives and our world are not as they should be, but we choose pushing ahead over substantive changes. Yet you remain our persistent, tenacious God, our Creator, our Lover. That does not change. Forbid it, God, that at the end of the day our Lord would weep over us, saddened to the core at what could have been, had we listened and seen. Overwhelm us now with your grace and love. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

This is the story we tell:

God loved the world so much that God sent the only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. God did not send the Son to condemn the world, but that through him the world might have life.

This is the story we tell:

Nothing in all creation shall ever be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Jesus is Lord. He was Lord in the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Creator God, you created us with free will and freedom of choice. By the power of the Holy Spirit, speak your Word through the words of Scripture, that we may live according to your will; through Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

FIRST BIBLE READING

The Book of Job (selected verses)

MESSAGE

Dr. Bob Spratt

SECOND BIBLE READING

Psalm 88

BELL ANTHEM

“Shine, Jesus, Shine” by Graham Kendrick, arr. By Christine Anderson

PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO SUPPORT CHRIST’S CHURCH

Holy One, bless and multiply these gifts we give as tokens of our trust in you. Use them to bless the poor, feed the hungry, and comfort those who weep. In Jesus name, Amen.

CLOSING SONGS

1. You Are My All In All by Dennis Jernigan

You are my strength when I am weak
You are the treasure that I seek
You are my all in all

Seeking You as a precious jewel
Lord to give up I'd be a fool
You are my all in all

Jesus Lamb of God worthy is Your name
Jesus Lamb of God worthy is Your name

Taking my sin my cross my shame
Rising again I bless your name
You are my all in all
When I fall down you pick me up
When I am dry You fill my cup
You are my all in all

Jesus Lamb of God worthy is Your name
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2. The Blessing by Karl Jobe

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His
Face toward you
And give you peace

Amen, amen, amen
Amen, amen, amen

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His
Face toward you
And give you peace

Amen, amen, amen (we sing, we sing)
Amen, amen, amen

May His favor be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family and your children
And their children, and their children
May His favor be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family and your children
And their children, and their children

May His presence go before you
And behind you, and beside you
All around you, and within you
He is with you, He is with you

In the morning, in the evening
In your coming, and your going
In your weeping, and rejoicing
He is for you, He is for you
He is for you, He is for you
He is for you, He is for you
He is for you, He is for you (I know, I know)

Amen, amen, amen
Amen, amen, amen

May His presence go before you
And behind you, and beside you
All around you, and within you
He is with you, He is with you

In the morning, in the evening
In your coming, and your going
In your weeping, and rejoicing
He is for you

BLESSING

BETHANY CALENDAR

Sunday	1/31	9 am	Present Word – (Zoom)
Sunday	1/31	10 am	Virtual Worship Service – (Zoom,Facebook Live, Boxcast)
Sunday	1/31	11 am	Virtual Coffee Half Hour – (Zoom)
Sunday	1/31	12 pm	Session (Zoom)
Monday	2/1	3 pm	Serendipity (Zoom)
Monday	2/1	7 pm	Stephen Minsitry
Wednesday	2/3	10 am	Staff meeting – (Zoom)
Wednesday	2/3	4 pm	Organ Task Force meeting - (Large Hall)
Thursday	2/4	7 pm	Spirituality & Justice group – (Zoom)
Thursday	2/4	7 pm	Choir meeting (Zoom)
Saturday	2/6	2 pm	Shepherding Walk (Henpeck Park)
Sunday	2/7	9 am	Present Word (Zoom)
Sunday	2/7	10 am	Virtual Worship Service – (Zoom,Facebook Live, Boxcast)
Sunday	2/7	11 am	Virtual Coffee Half Hour – (Zoom)

Monroe County-wide Prayer Initiative 2021 for the week of January 31st
– Charlotte.

The **Annual Meeting** of Bethany Presbyterian Church has been called for **Sunday February 21, 2021 immediately following the virtual worship service (on Zoom)** for the purpose of hearing reports, receiving the 2021 annual budget and the pastors terms of call, and for any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

This will take place immediately after the virtual 10AM worship service.

EMERGENCY CONTACT: At times, families or individuals may find they need pastoral support for various reasons ranging from a long-term matter or an emergency. In the event of a pastoral emergency, this can be sought by calling the church office (585) 663-3000 during normal business hours or after hours at (585) 496-4699. In addition, there are several members of the congregation that can be called on for support called Stephen Ministers. Stephen Ministers are congregation members trained by Stephen Leaders to offer high-quality, one-to-one Christian care to people going through tough times. To receive support from a Stephen Minister contact Kim Bolinger at (585) 227-2540 or Wendy Watt (585) 415-2351.

REQUEST FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP VIDEO CAMERA OPERATORS:

Are you anxious to get back into the sanctuary? Would you like to learn a new skill? We are looking for volunteers to assist in live streaming our Sunday worship services as camera operators. Please contact Ron Fisher (rfisher97@gmail.com) or Jim Hetzler (jmshetzler@gmail.com) for more information. *COVID-19 protocols are followed for everyone's protection.*

SERENDIPITY LIFE GROUP #3: is one of the Life Studies groups at Bethany. The meetings are relaxed and based around passages from the Serendipity Bible. The discussions are not "heavy" and are relatable to our everyday lives and experiences. It is an enjoyable experience to get to know the other members of our church family. Any questions, please call Jack Bansbach at 227-1265. We are currently meeting via Zoom every other week, Monday's at 3PM, next meeting February 1.

LIFE GROUP #4: Are you looking for a light, casual Bible study that meets in the afternoon? Join Bev Bennett on Friday, February 26, 2021 at 3:00 in the Large Hall. Due to Covid-19 guidelines and session regulations, there is a maximum of 10 for in-person meetings. Please call Bev Bennett (585)-225-0206 in advance to sign-up.

LIVESTREAMING: If you have a Smart TV or connect to internet channels on your television with Roku, Amazon Fire Stick, Apple TV, or Chromecast you can add the BoxCast channel and view our Sunday Services live on your TV. Past services will also be available on the BoxCast channel, so you can get caught up or re-watch any time.

The logo for BoxCast, featuring the word "BOXCAST" in white capital letters on a teal square background.

1. Add the BoxCast Channel to your internet-connected TV
2. Click on [Find an Organization]
3. Type: **bethany presbyterian**
(Two organizations are named "bethany presbyterian", ours is the one with the picture of the sanctuary)
4. Click on our "bethany presbyterian" to select this channel
5. View a recent broadcast or live worship service here
6. Return to the BoxCast main page when finished
7. Bethany Presbyterian Church will be saved to the main page - just click for future viewing

Sunday services will continue to be available on Zoom and Facebook and you can continue to use Facebook chat for sharing your prayer requests during the service.

New Boxcast Link <https://boxcast.tv/view/bethany-sunday-service-391388>

Join Zoom by phone only by calling +1 (646) 558-8656 on your land line or (646) 558-8656 on your cellular phone (there may be a long distance charge) and enter the following Meeting ID# 243 911 4010 when prompted, followed by the # sign.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2439114>



We are a welcoming Christian family who worships God and nurtures spiritual growth through friendship, learning, music and serving others.

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