

**Bethany Presbyterian, Johnstown, PA**  
**MORNING WORSHIP**  
**July 6, 2025 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

**CALL TO WORSHIP\*\***

L: Sing praises to our Lord:

**P: who heals us and makes us whole.**

L: Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God:

**P: whose joy rises in our lives each and every day.**

L: Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God; give thanks to God's holy name:

**P: God's Kingdom is near to us; God's peace resides in our hearts.**

**HYMN "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" #571**

**CALL TO RECONCILIATION\*\***

L: Unlike ours, God's anger does not last. But God's favor, God's grace, God's forgiveness are for us, not just in this moment, but forever. How can we not want to confess to such a One who is ready to heal us? Please join me as we pray, saying,

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

**P: Holy One, why is it that we can grow so weary of doing what is right, yet always energetically do that which we know is harmful to us and others? We sow seeds of hurt and anger, and wonder why we harvest so much bitterness. We spend too much time comparing ourselves to those around us, and too few moments in following Christ's example.**

**Rather than letting our sins gloat over us, Healing God, we would open ourselves to your mercy and grace. As you reach out to heal us with your forgiveness, may embrace your love, your mercy, your grace for our lives. As you pour out your Spirit of gentleness, may we bring the peace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to all the world.**

**SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON\*\***

L: Sing praises to our God, faithful children. God has heard our prayers and made us whole.

**P: We will not be silent, but will sing our joy to the One who has forgiven us and made us a new creation.**

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 by saying, "The Peace of Christ be With You.")*

**REDEDICATION OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE**

**Offertory**

**Doxology**

**#625**

**Prayer of Dedication\*\***

In the offering of our gifts, as well as the living of our days, may we not grow weary of doing what is right, but commit to speaking up for the voiceless, healing the broken, feeding the hungry, and all those mercies which are such a part of your heart and hopes for all your children. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

<b>First Lesson</b>	<b>2 Kings 5:1-14</b>	<b>p.323</b>
<b>Second Lesson</b>	<b>Galatians 6:7-16</b>	<b>p.1015</b>
<b>Gospel Lesson</b>	<b>Luke 10:1-11,16-20</b>	<b>p.901</b>

**MESSAGE: Randy Knupp**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed**

**HYMN "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" #575**

**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: Let us never grow weary of doing what is right!

**P: We will go to seek justice for all of God's children.**

L: Let us not grow weary of leading others to the kingdom!

**P: We will go to follow Jesus' example of gathering all into grace.**

L: Let us not grow weary of speaking of hope and peace.

**P: We will go to sow the Spirit's seed of life and hope.**

### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

"America, the Beautiful" #572

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ORGANISTS: John Griffin and Elaine Bilger

*What would happen in the national consensus  
if these nine words came to mind  
when you said the word "Christian":*

*love, joy, peace,  
patience, kindness, goodness,  
faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control?*

*Philip Yancey, I Was Just Wondering*



**Offering: 06/29**  
**Attendance: 15**  
**Local 208.00**  
**Benev. 14.50**  
**Improv. 12.50**  
**Total 255.00**

**Sunday July 6th**  
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

**Sunday July 13th**  
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

**A Congregational Meeting and Covered Dish Luncheon** will be held on Sunday July 20<sup>th</sup> following Morning Worship. Discussion will be held on how the church will proceed going forward, so we encourage all members to attend. Please see Ray or Linda with any questions.

**Sign Ups** for 2025 Lay Leaders are still being accepted. If you are interested in helping out, please sign up on the back bulletin board.

**Orders** are being taken for 2025 Flower and Bulletin Sponsorships. Order forms and more information can be found on the back bulletin board and can be placed in the offering plate. Orders can also be placed on the church website.



Concerns: Keep the following people in your prayers...	
Dawna Sheets	Bobbie Johnson
Jeanne Lehman	Nancy Thomas
Marie Whorl	Barry Ross
Bev Holbay	Dave & Karen Vivis
Mark Toderro	Joshua Holbay Family
Carl Newfield	Dominic Serratore
Beverly Rager	Irene Barefoot Bischof
Frank Cassat	Tammy & Louie Noss
Nancy Kahl	All Shut- Ins
Linda Hayes	All in Nursing Homes
Matt Molnar	All First Responders
Joyce Norris	All Service Men & Women
	All Healthcare Professionals

**To Place Announcements Or Concerns List Names** in the bulletin please email bethanyjtown@hotmail.com.

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**Donations** of non-perishable foods and cleaning products for the West End Food Pantry can be placed in the bins by the Blaine St. entrance. Monetary donations can be placed in the offering plate. Thank you for your support.