

## Bethany Presbyterian, Johnstown, PA

### MORNING WORSHIP

## CALL TO WORSHIP\*\*

L: It is in this place of holiness that we can come with our fears, our doubts, all the questions of our hearts.

**P: We come to this place, to hear the words of peace, of hope, of joy God speaks to us.**

L: It is in this place of discovery that we can come searching.

**P: We come to this place, to find the One who has been looking for us.**

L: It is in this place of openness that we can come knocking.

**P: We come to this place, to be embraced by the One whose heart is never locked.**

**HYMN      "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"      #108**

## CALL TO CONFESSION\*\*

L: We are invited to pray - all who have hurt someone else, and all who have been hurt by another. We are called to pray: for hope, for healing, for mercy. We pray to the One who seeks to make us whole; whose will is to restore us to new life. Join me as we pray, saying,

## UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION\*\*

**We do not find it easy to speak of how we do not live as your people, but you invite us to share our weaknesses and failures with you, Inviting God. Tempted to think your salvation is for a select few, we put up barriers for others. Clinging to all you give to us, we are reluctant to share with those in need. Surrounded by evil and violence, we find it easier to close ranks with those just like us, rather than seeking peace and reconciliation for our world.**

**Forgive us, Salvation's God. Open our eyes to our sisters and brothers all around us. Open our ears to the word of hope you speak to us. Open our spirits to the presence of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who flings wide the open doors**

**of your kingdom, that all might find life with you.**

## SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON\*\*

L: Here is the good news, my friends: Christ came searching for us, calling us by name, leading us into God's kingdom.

**P: In Christ, we become new people: broken, we are made whole; lost, we are found; forsaken, we are restored to new life.**

## 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

### Prayer of Dedication\*\*

## #625

As you have done with us, may we do for others, holding nothing back, but offering our treasures and lives that hope may be restored, that healing might touch the broken, that the suffering might be revived, and that all might know of your steadfast love in their lives. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

## LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

<b>Old Testament Lesson</b>	<b>Hosea 1: 2-10</b>	<b>p.776</b>
<b>New Testament Lesson</b>	<b>Colossians 2:6-15</b>	<b>p.1027</b>
<b>Gospel Lesson</b>	<b>Luke 11:1-13</b>	<b>p.903</b>

**MESSAGE**      **Tammy Noss**

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH      The Apostles' Creed

**HYMN** "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" #435

**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** "O Jesus, I Have Promised" #369

**BENEDICTION/SENDING\*\***

L: You have heard the words of peace and hope from God, so go.

**P: We will go to speak to those filled with fear and doubt.**

L: You have been reminded of the One who came looking for us, so go.

**P: We will go to search for all tossed aside by the world.**

L: You have been embraced in the love and grace of the Spirit, so go.

**P: We will go to open our hearts to all searching for hope.**

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

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**ORGANISTS:** John Griffin and Elaine Bilger

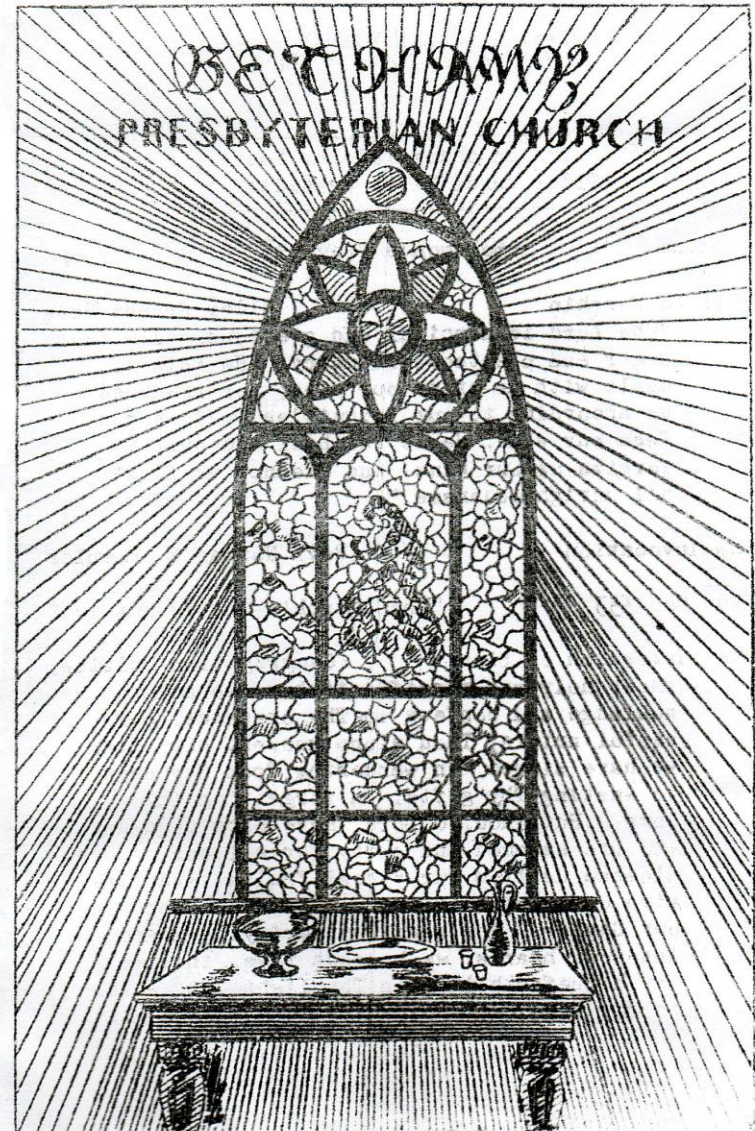
**WORSHIP LEADER:** Brenda Molnar

**Love to pray. Feel often during the day the need for prayer,  
and take trouble to pray.**

**Prayer enlarges the heart until it is capable of containing  
God's gift of Himself.**

**Ask and seek, and your heart will grow big enough  
to receive Him and keep Him as your own.**

**Mother Teresa, A Gift for God**



**Offering: 07/20**  
**Attendance: 16**  
**Local 421.00**  
**Benev. 29.30**  
**Improv. 24.70**  
**Total 475.00**

**Sunday July 27th**  
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

**Sunday August 3rd**  
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

**This Morning** we welcome Tammy Noss as our guest speaker for Morning Worship.

**Visit** the Westmont Presbyterian Church Farmer's Market, held in their church parking lot. The market is every Saturday from 9-12 and features a variety of produce and other items.

**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	Barry Ross
Marie Whorl	Dave & Karen Vivis
Bev Holbay	Joshua Holbay Family
Mark Todero	Dominic Serratore
Carl Newfield	Irene Barefoot Bischof
Beverly Rager	Tammy & Louie Noss
Frank Cassat	All Shut- Ins
Nancy Kahl	All in Nursing Homes
Linda Hayes	All First Responders
Matt Molnar	All Service Men & Women
Joyce Norris	All Healthcare Professionals
Bill Gramling	

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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.