

18th Sunday After Pentecost

*Indicates that all who are able are invited to stand.
Bold type invites the people to respond.
PH by hymns denotes the large hymnal &
STF is the blue soft sided hymnal

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude
Lighting the Candles and Ringing of the Bell
Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:
One: Come and see what God has done.
All: God is awesome in God’s deeds.
One: God turned the sea into dry land.
All: God’s people passed through the river on foot.
One: Make a joyful noise to God all the earth.
All: Sing the glory of God’s name.

*Morning Prayer
*Hymn Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven PH-478

Call to Confession
Prayer of Confession

Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. We keep our distance from you, for we are broken and sick with sin. Yet you see us, and cleanse us, and make us whole. Forgive us when we forget to return to you – have mercy when we fail to praise your name...
(Pause for a few moments of silent reflection and personal confession.)
...and help us to exude the faith that makes us well.
Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness
Words of Peace

*Please turn to one another with a wave and a smile as you share God’s peace.
*Congregational Response Glory Be to the Father PH-579

We Listen For God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
Reading ends: This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsive Psalm and Psalm Prayer Psalm 66:1-12
One: Be joyful in God, all you lands; be joyful, all the earth.
All: Sing to the glory of God’s name; sing the glory of God’s praise.
One: Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.
All: All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your name.”
One: Come now and see the works of God, how awesome are God’s deeds toward all people.
All: God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the waters on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.
One: Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations; let no rebels exalt themselves.
All: Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.
One: Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.
All: For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us just as silver is tried.
One: You brought us into the net; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
All: You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
One: God of awesome deeds and unfailing love, you bring your people through the waters of salvation to the shores of new life. Hear our prayer, receive the praise we offer, and loosen our tongues to tell with joy the great things you have done for us through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

New Testament Lesson 2 Timothy 2:8-15
Reading ends: This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson Luke 17:11-19
Reading ends: This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

We Respond to God’s Word
*Hymn Now Thank We All Our God PH-555

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering
Thank you for your gifts of financial support of Bethel's ministries which may be placed in the offering plate near the main entrance to the sanctuary. Please hold our ministries in your prayers as music is shared during this time.

*Congregational Response Doxology

*Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication

*Affirmation of Faith

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God’s purpose.

We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

We Leave to Serve God

*Hymn Give Thanks STF-2036

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response Song of Hope PH-432

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's worship leaders: Rev. Lori Kleppe; Stephen Bartenhagen, Lay Worship Leader; Linda Johansen, Musician

Pastor Kleppe would welcome visiting you in your home or at a coffee shop in town. Her contact information is 563-380-8187 or lori.kleppe@gmail.com

"Sanctuary Sips", a hospitality table, has been placed in the narthex. Please help yourself to a beverage which may be brought into the sanctuary.

THIS WEEK AT BETHEL

Today, October 12

10:00 a.m. – Morning Worship
Fellowship following
Session Meets

Monday, October 13

9:30 a.m. – Diaconate

Thursday, October 16

10:00 Women's Bible Study

Next Sunday, October 19

10:00 a.m. – Morning Worship
Luncheon following
Sarah Updegraff Murray speaks

"Hope Is A Strategy"

Sarah Updegraff Murray speaking October 19th
Light luncheon from 11-11:30
Sarah speaking at 11:30
Dessert will follow.

Members and friends of Bethel who seek healing and wholeness in their lives are kept in prayer during worship. Today we are remembering – Cathy Bemiss, Teri Brockway, Don Durscher, Sarah Updegraff Murray, Kirk Bruso, baby McCoy, and Rose Marie Knight (Julie Larson's mom).

Stoney Brook - Kate Ewing, Kathy Meyer

Good Samaritan Center - Peggi Pape

Eastern Star Decorah – Doyle Gorden

Ossian Care Center – Cindy Barness

Maple Crest – Tex Heyer

Welcome to Worship at Bethel Presbyterian Church!

-The order of service is found in your bulletin and projected on the screen.

-An * shows the time when the congregation stands. If it is more comfortable to remain seated, please do so.

-Restrooms are found on each level of the church. An usher will help you find your way. Fully accessible restrooms are located in the basement.

-A nursery room is available but we welcome hearing the sound of small children.

-Communion is offered on most first Sundays of the month. All are welcome to receive the elements of the meal. An usher will invite you forward or servers may come to you in the pew.

-We are so glad you are worshiping with us this morning. If your schedule allows, please join us for a time of fellowship following the service.

The Worship Ministry Team would like to invite our Bethel Congregation to participate in our "Give *Digital* Thanks" video during November. Send us a photo of what you are thankful for with a one or two word caption. We love hearing from our Bethel Family and this video is so enjoyable for everyone because it is created by YOU! What a great way to stay connected with our extended church family. ***What are you thankful for?***

Send your photo to bethelpresbych@q.com

If you don't use email, bring a photo to the church office to scan.

The West Union Lions Club's annual French toast breakfast is Sunday, October 19th. 8:30 – 12:30 at the North Fayette Valley High School.

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where everyone is welcome.**

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