



Bethany

loving with the heart of Jesus

*January 22, 2012
10:00 o'clock*

*Sermon:
"It's Not What You Know
But Who You Know"*

"Now this is eternal life; that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent...I in them and you in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me."

John 17:3 and 23

Our Mission
To trust in Jesus...
love like Jesus...
grow in Jesus...
bring others to Jesus.

WELCOME TO BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“Enter this Church not as a stranger, but as a guest of God. May the blessings of God rest upon you, both in your coming in and your going out.”

We are delighted to have you in worship. We ask that you please sign the Fellowship Pad at the end of the pew. For your convenience, we have a warm and loving nursery adjacent to the sanctuary, complete with an available paging system. We also have a Cry Room at the back of the Sanctuary (near the usher’s table) on the pulpit side with a speaker so that you can see and hear the service. If you have any questions or need literature regarding the life of Bethany Presbyterian Church, please visit the Welcome Center, located next to the sanctuary.

WE GATHER BEFORE GOD

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

THE WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

THE PRELUDE

“Pearly of Praise”
Bethany Ringers

D. Edwards

Please take time during the Prelude to meditate & prepare for worship.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*THE HYMN No. 87 “Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison) Robbie Ytterberg
Eternal God, in love You created us, through love You have kept us
and by Your love You would make us perfect. We humbly confess we
have not loved You with all our heart and soul and mind and strength
and that we have not loved one another as Christ has loved us.
Forgive what we have been. Help us to let You change what we are.
Direct us to become what You would have us be. Begin to live in us
so that others may see the fullness of Your glory as it was revealed in
Christ Jesus in whose name we pray. Amen.

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE RESPONSE: HYMN No. 734 “Gloria Patri.”

THE CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Robbie Ytterberg

CARING FOR ONE ANOTHER:

Please let us know if you are going into the hospital, having surgery or will be an outpatient. Also, let us know when you return home.

In the Hospital as of January 20:

George Whoolery – Jefferson Regional (Mike Whoolery's father)
Charlotte Guisewite – Florida
(Marlene Haley, Maxine Berton & Joy Heaps' mother)

Discharged:

Linda Karns
Mary Eichler – (Paul's mother)
Tom Woodward – Lifecare Hospital Care of Pittsburgh

Remember in Prayer:

Zach Noel (Shirley Ellis' grandson) Brandy Stevens
Albert Eisenbeis – (Jean Roemer's father) Jimmy Slack
Clifford & Lambert Families

The Blue Fellowship of Prayer Request Cards are for those having a prayer request, interested in being a part of this group, or wanting more information.

Respite Care: Did you know that your church family can cook a meal, shop, drive or just visit for a few hours to give your family or caregiver a break. We are not a permanent or long term solution but we can help. For information or to volunteer please call Margie Smith at 412-221-3730.

NEWS FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST

Baptism dates for 2012:

January 29 March 22 May 22
July 29 September 30 November 25

Call the Church Office to request a date for Baptism.

Communion dates for 2011:

February 26 April 5 May 6
June 24 August 5 September 9
October 7 December 2

Children wanting to receive Communion must first talk with the pastors. Call the pastor to make an appointment.

The next New Members Class will be held Sunday, March 18, 2012 at 12:30 p.m. at the church. We will provide lunch and the class will run between 3 and 4 hours. We look forward to personally meeting you at that time. If you are interested in joining the Family of God here at Bethany please note this on the Fellowship Pad along with your name, address and phone number or fill in the red card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate.

Parking for Sunday Services – The Property Team would like to reserve the front row spaces near the entrance for the elderly, for those with special needs and for visitors. Those who may have a greater need than others just might get discouraged from attending church because they have to walk so far.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

The Session has called a Congregational meeting to be held today, Sunday, January 22, 2012 at 11:00 AM, immediately following the worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to affirm the recommendation of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee for the calling of Robbie Ytterberg to the position of Associate Pastor of Discipleship.

JAMES: MERCY TRIUMPHS – Women’s Bible Study

On Friday, January 27 at 9:30 am we will begin a new and very different Bible study for women. It is a study on the life and the New Testament book of James, and the title is *Mercy Triumphs*. A Thursday evening group will begin in early February.

This particular Bible study offers a 5-tiered approach, so that more women will be able to participate...and participate at the level they want/need/choose. Tier one involves coming to class and watching the teaching dvd by Beth Moore, followed by class discussion. Tier two adds a workbook, with 5 daily lessons. Tier 3 adds writing out the entire Book of James. Tier 4 brings the opportunity to complete a “What could I do to go deeper?” section (a response to many requests for increased scholarship...original languages, cultural setting, etc.). And tier 5 offers the challenge of memorizing the Book of James as you study it. We will order study books for all those who will be choosing tier 2 and higher. If you choose to come to class but not take on the daily studies, we will print out the viewer guides for you to use as you watch the dvd lesson...but you will not need a study book. It is important that we have an accurate number of participants, and know how many will need study books. The cost of the book is \$16. We will have childcare for the Friday morning class. If you have never participated in an in-depth group Bible study before, why not start now? You can choose your level of involvement. Please call the church office to let us know if you would like to participate, and if you will need a study book. If you have any questions, contact Melany Hamilton at mhamilton@bethanypresby.org; or 412-276-1013.

Soup n Sandwich – Homemade delicious chicken noodle, green pepper soup, chicken salad and ham salad sandwiches will be available after the service on January 29th. Any adult interested in serving on the WV or Tapestries of Life mission trip is invited to help prepare the food on Friday, January 27th at 7:02 p.m.

Need Scrip? Stop at the Welcome Center after worship or at the office during the week and purchase a card(s) for Home Depot, KMart, Wal-Mart, Lowes, Target, and many more cards are available. How about going out to eat after a busy day – we have cards available for several restaurants. We even have cards for BP and Sunoco for vacation trips. You can also purchase Giant Eagle and Shop n Save cards. This is the easiest fundraiser you will ever participate in because it doesn't cost you anymore than you already spend. Thank you for supporting the mission work of the church through this program.

February is the month to provide desserts for Meals on Wheels. Ruth Doyle, Site Manager, would appreciate cupcakes, brownies, sweet breads or cake instead of cookies. Cookies are good, and we won't turn them down, but South Fayette PTA has donated a lot of cookies. A calendar is in the Welcome Center. Please sign-up. Fresh fruit, on certain days, as noted on the calendar is needed. The amount of fresh fruit is 60 pieces. Coordinate a day with a friend if you can't do it all yourself.

The Rummage Sale will be held May 5th and now is the time to start cleaning out and saving for the rummage sale.

Are you missing a baking dish? Check the kitchen.

Donate new or gently worn bras and support women in need no later than February 26th. Bras are the most needed and least donated clothing item. Bras collected will benefit Womansplace in McKeesport. A box is in the Welcome Center for your donations.

Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women Orlando, Florida • July 18–22, 2012

Presbyterian women from around the globe will gather in Orlando, Florida, July 18–22, 2012, to celebrate through the theme “River of Hope.” Inspiring worship, Bible study, thought-provoking speakers and workshops on mission, leadership and spiritual growth will provide nurture and challenge for all who attend. This also will be a time for fun and renewal in The Sunshine State! For more information, please visit www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering

Bonnie, Barb, Lynne, Rhonda, Carolyn & Becky are going. Are you? Join us and get your T-shirt. Call Barb at 412-221-5132 if you plan to go.



Beginning in the fall of 1826, the minutes of the Session of Bethany only records one action – the trial of Laird v. Wilkeson. Mr. Laird is being accused of slander for telling people that Mr. Wilkeson had stolen his wheat which was stored in Mr. Isaac Walker's mill. We continue this week with the minutes of March 29th, 1827 and the deposition of Mr. James Laird, Jr., son of the defendant.

James Laird, Jr. being sworn saith:

About the 25th of Aug last I think it was, at a frolick we had in taking out manure, a conversation took place between my Father and Mr. Wilkeson concerning wheat we had in the mill. Mr. Wilkeson said it was the best wheat he ever had seen. Father replied, it was the best he had ever seen, and said it weighted 65 or 66 lbs per bushel. Mr. Wilkeson asked if his wheat was as good this year as it was last. Father replied - he thought not and told me to let Wilkeson see some of what we had threshed. I showed him some and he said he thought it was not quite so good as the last year's, it was still very good and he would like to have some of it for seed. Father replied that he had only picked about as much as he would need himself and had put it on the top of the mow. But he was thinking of sowing some old wheat- but not certain he should – if he did, he might perhaps have more than he would need. I believe that this was all that happed that day about wheat.

Q by Session – *Where did this conversation take place?*

A – *At the upper side of the barn.*

Q – *What time in the evening?*

A.- *Near sundown.*

Q.- *Did you hear your Father tell Wilkeson he might have wheat out of the mill?*

A.- *No – sometime after this, my brother asked Wilkeson if Father had given him liberty to take the wheat and he said he had not.*

Q – *Did you hear your Father object to Wilkeson's getting the wheat he said he would like to have for seed, from the difficulty of threshing or from its situation in the mow?*

A. *No!*

Q – *Who were present at this conversation?*

A – *Robinson, Elliot, Rogers, my brother William, and I think Ebenezer Nesbett came before the conversation ended.*

Q. – *After the conversation commenced, were you in the company of your Father and Mr. Wilkeson – as long as they continued together in that place?*

A – *Yes.*

Q. *Did this conversation end before the feeding of horses commenced?*

A. *Yes, and I will now farther state.....**to be continued next week with the continuation of the deposition of James Laird, Jr, son of the Defendant.***

PLEASE MAKE SURE LIGHTS ARE OFF AT NIGHT WHEN YOU LEAVE. THANKS!

Gifts for the Chapel Stained Glass Window Fund have been received in memory of Ruth Aspinall from Mr. & Mrs. Charles Purucker, Gladys Kennell, Julie Abreu, Tom & Carole Aspinall.

A gift for the Bethany Education Fund has been received in memory of Ruth Aspinall from Dolly Rastetter.

Thanks:

Our family would like to thank you for all of the cards, prayers of support during our time of loss with my mom. Thank you tremendously to our Bethany Church Family. Pat Swanson and Family

Many thanks for your prayers and concerns during my recent hospital stay. A visit and prayers from Rev John and Rev Melany were very much appreciated. Both Tom and I feel blessed to be in your thoughts and prayers. Carol and Tom Willhite

From the Bridgeville Area Food Bank for the donations and support during the past year from Bethany. Food Bank Volunteers

Welcome one and ALL! Malawi Partnership meeting, kick –off for 2012!

When? Monday evening, January 23, 2012. **Where?** Pittsburgh Presbytery located on the North Shore. **Why?** Let's support our newly elected Vice Moderator of the Partnership, our VERY OWN Carl Suppo! Let's find out about Pittsburgh Presbytery/ Malawi Partnership. The general meeting begins @ **7:00 P.M.** You may **google** the Presbytery's address for **directions**. 901 Allegheny Ave., Pittsburgh, PA. 15233 **Any questions?** 412-323-1400.

Want to Get Away??? – Bethany Presbyterian Church announces the return of the All Church Retreat in 2012 – March 9th through March 11th. Mark your calendars and watch our bulletins, newsletter and website for more details coming soon! If you think that the discount airlines have great getaway deals...when was that last time one of them saved your soul???

FROM THE BETHANY CHURCH OFFICE

Attendance for Sunday, January 15 8:15 – 101 10:45 – 296

Bethany Church Preschool News

Priority Registration for 2012 -2013 for Church Members – January 30

Registration forms may be picked up at the Welcome Center beginning Sunday, January 29. They must be returned by February 3, before public registration. The non-refundable registration fee of \$50 is payable with registration. Make checks payable to Bethany Church Preschool. Children must be 3 years old by Sept. 1 and be toilet trained. **Remember**, some classes fill faster than others, so be sure to register as soon as possible. We don't want to miss you!

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Sunday January 22 (Psalm 59:1-17) *Candidate Robbie Ytterberg*

Pray for Kathryn Teller & Azia Gardner

- 10:00 A.M. – One Worship Service** – Nursery for children 5 and under
 - No Sunday School, Second Hour, Children’s Worship & Wonder
- 11:00 A.M. – Congregational Meeting - Sanctuary
 - Junior High Youth – Paint Ball
- 7:15 P.M. – Senior High Youth – Youth Room

Monday, January 23 (Psalm 60:1-12)

Pray for Richard, Veva & Tim Tessmer

- 6:00 P.M. – Upward Practice – Great Room
- 7:00 P.M. – Session Meeting – Room 245

Tuesday, January 24 (Psalm 61:1-8)

Pray for Rosemarie Thielet

- 9:15 A.M. – Staff Meeting – Rev. John’s Office
- 5:00 P.M. – LOGOS – various rooms
- 7:00 P.M. – Upward Practice – Great Room
- 7:00 P.M. – Upward Cheerleading Practice – Chapel
- 7:00 P.M. – Youth Bell Ringers – Choir Room
- 7:30 P.M. – Senior High Bible Study – Youth Room

Wednesday, January 25 (Psalm 62:1-12)

Pray for Donna Thrasher

- 6:00 P.M. – Upward Practice – Great Room
- 6:00 P.M. – Upward Cheerleading Practice – Chapel
- 7:00 P.M. – Adult Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room
- 7:00 P.M. – Young Adults Bible Study – Youth Room
- 8:30 P.M. – Bethany Ringers – Choir Room

Thursday, January 26 (Psalm 63:1-11)

Pray for Tanya & Kaden Thrasher

- 9:00 A.M. – MOPS – Fellowship Hall
- 9:15 A.M. – Quilting – Room 144
- 12:00 P.M. – Thursday Knitters – Room 224
- 6:00 P.M. – Upward Practice – Great Room
- 6:00 P.M. – Upward Cheerleading Practice – Chapel
- 6:30 P.M. – Adult Bible Study – Room 224
- 7:00 P.M. – Women’s Bible Study – Room 244
- 7:00 P.M. – Dartball – Fellowship Hall
 - (Marlins @ Giants Tigers @ Indians)
- 8:00 P.M. – Adult Basketball – Great Room

Friday, January 27 (Psalm 64:1-10)

Pray for Dan, Kelly, Mackenzie & Aaron Timco

- 9:30 A.M. – Women's Bible Study on James – Room 244
- 12:00 P.M. – Men's Luncheon – Kings Restaurant
- 1:00 P.M. – Friendship Bible Study – Room 240
- 6:00 P.M. – Upward Practice – Great Room
- 7:00 P.M. – Soup n Sandwich Prep – Kitchen
- 7:30 P.M. – Friday Night Group – Room 224

Saturday, January 28 (Psalm 65:1-13)

Pray for James, Jim, Alysa, Madison & Jacob Todd

- 9:00 A.M. – Women's Bible Study on Colossians – Room 224
- 9:00 A.M. – Upward Game Day – Great Room / Kitchen
- 10:00 A.M. – Saturday Knitters – Room 224
- 11:45 A.M. – Secret Sisters Gathering – Welcome Center

Sunday January 29 (Psalm 66:1-20) *Soup n Sandwich Take-outs*

Pray for Jack & Georgina Townsend

- 8:15 A.M. – Worship – Sanctuary
- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:45 A.M. – Worship – Sanctuary
- 6:00 P.M. – Junior High Youth – Youth Room
- 7:15 P.M. – Senior High Youth – Youth Room

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING WHO ARE SERVING THE LORD

Ushers: Stephanie Saracco, Carolyn Garretson, John & Karen Talerico
Bill and Libby Just & Ed and Meredith Stewart

Fellowship Greeter is James Myers.

The rosebud announces the birth of Callan Harrison Humble born January 10, 2012 to Brennen & Amy Humble.

The flowers are in honor of Robbie, Abby, Wesley and Ella Ytterberg.

**Annual Reports
are due into the office by January 23rd.**

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Dear Friends of Rebuilding Together Pittsburgh,

WE NEED YOU! We have received an unbelievable **250** qualified applications for our 20th Annual Rebuilding Day coming up in April, and WE NEED YOU to help us get out there and evaluate these homes! To help motivate us all to brave this winter weather and Volunteer as a Home Previewer, we're launching the...2012 Snow Tire Challenge! *Shovel your driveway, warm up your car, and spend an afternoon volunteering as a Previewer with Rebuilding Together Pittsburgh*

Homeowners in need:	130
Volunteers Committed:	ZERO
Previews Assigned:	ZERO
Previews Completed:	ZERO
Days to Go:	30 Days!

Contact Jackie Nixon at Office Direct: (412) 943-7130

Email: jacquelyn.nixon@yahoo.com

Free Income Tax Assistance will be available at The Bible Chapel, 300 Gallery Drive, McMurray, beginning Wednesday, February 1st through April 17th from 8:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. There are no appointments, only walk-ins. Closed Good Friday. See the bulletin board in the Welcome Center for further information.

Bridgeville First Responders and Friends Blood Drive will be held Saturday, January 28th from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Bridgeville Fire Hall. To schedule a time, please call Mary at 412-221-5651 after 6:00 p.m. or Kathy at 412-209-7622.

CHURCH STAFF

Dr. John Hamilton, Senior Pastor

Rev. Melany Hamilton, Interim Associate

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Barb Crawford, Interim CE Director

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WE GIVE TO GOD

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY

“I Will Rejoice”

B. Harlan

*THE RESPONSE: HYMN No. 34 “The Doxology”

*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*THE HYMN No. 581 “Called As Partners in Christ’s Service”

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD’S PRAYER

WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Robbie Yetterberg

New Testament: Philippians 3:7-11

See page 1829 in pew Bible

Gospel Reading: John 17:1-6, 10-26

See page 1679 in pew Bible

L: *“The word of the Lord”*

P: ***“Thanks be to God”***

THE SERMON

Robbie Ytterberg

“It’s Not What You Know But Who You Know”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison reading)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*THE HYMN No. 544 “The Church’s One Foundation”

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE RESPONSE “Threefold Amen”

arr. D. Moore

*THE POSTLUDE

*All who are able and willing, please stand

A Congregational Meeting will be held following the service.

A Prayer for Robbie

O God, the Father eternal, who has made Thy risen and ever-glorious Son, Jesus Christ, Head over all things to Thy Church; Bestow upon this Thy servant, whom we bless in Thy name, the sevenfold gifts of Thy Holy Spirit, that he may be endued with power to preach Thy Gospel, and may prove his fitness to serve Thee in the ministry of the Word. Grant unto him riches of heavenly wisdom, and guidance of divine love, that he may live near to God and near to man, in fellowship with Thy Son. Strengthen his faith, confirm his courage, and deepen his joy in work for Thee, renewing in his heart and on his lips the glad tidings of salvation, and giving unto him the great reward of those that turn many to righteousness. Amen.





*Bethany Presbyterian Church
Bridgeville, PA*

INTRODUCING

DONALD "ROBBIE" YTTERBERG

*AS A CANDIDATE
FOR THE POSITION OF
ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF DISCIPLESHIP*

*SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2012
10:00 A.M.*

Donald “Robbie” Ytterberg is a native of Colorado, growing up in Evergreen near Denver. He attended the University of Colorado where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering. It is here where he met his wife, Abby. While in college Robbie felt the call to ministry and shortly thereafter served churches in Chattanooga, TN and Austin TX as an Interim Youth Director and Director of College and Young Adult Ministries. He graduated from Fuller Seminary in Seattle, WA in August 2011 with a Masters in Divinity Degree. While attending seminary Robbie was a Pastoral intern at a church in Shoreline, WA. He and his family currently reside in Seattle, WA.

Robbie’s experience has included leading global mission trips, creating and leading whole-life stewardship campaigns and officer training, planning and leading contemporary and traditional worship for multiple generations as well as developing small group discipleship programs. He also has served as a chaplain providing pastoral care to hospital and hospice patients and families.

Robbie is married to Abby who is an RN specializing in pediatric oncology and bone marrow transplants. They have two children Wesley who is seven years old and Ella who is four years old. Wesley loves everything that involves sports while Ella loves everything that involves dancing and crafts. They are an active family that enjoy outdoor activities such as hiking, biking and camping in addition to playing with their dog Rudy.

Robbie has a real passion for serving the Lord. His heart for ministry is readily apparent, not only as a servant in ministry but also as a father and husband. In his Personal Information Form he stated that:

“My call is to respond to God’s grace and love by offering myself back to Him. I am to be the best husband and father I possibly can.. Any authority I have in leadership comes from the Lord and as such is delegated authority. I am first a follower of Jesus and as such my character, integrity and spiritual development are of utmost importance.”

He along with his family is very excited to begin making Pittsburgh and Bethany Presbyterian Church their home.

Members of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee are:

Mark Bonosky	Doug Bovard
Niki Ciaramella	Terry Kohlmyer
Catherine Price	Mike Segeleon
Cathy Schulz	Tammie Suppo
Becky Yanak, Chairperson	

We also would like to thank George Krock, retired Director of HR Planning and Development at PPG industries who was the Committee of Ministry liaison. George walked us through the process of calling a pastor, attended meetings regularly and was available at all times to answer our questions. His contagious smile, passionate personality and love for the church were a blessing to our committee. Along with John Hamilton, they provided much wisdom and direction.