Bethany

loving with the heart of Jesus

March 18, 2012
8:15 & 10:45 o'clock

Sermon:
"Prayer: Aware of the Holy"

Fourth
SUNDAY IN
LENT

"Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be Your name."
"Matthew 6:9

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.

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

WE GATHER BEFORE GOD

THE CHIMING OF THE HOUR

THE WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

THE PRELUDE 8:15 "More Precious Than Silver" Arr. L. Hollander
Bethany Youth Ringers
10:45 "Lead Me to Calvary"
Bethany Men's Chorus

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

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*THE HYMN No. 136 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Dear God,
You are Creator, we are your creation:
forgive us for trying to reverse the order .
You are God, we are human:
forgive us for replacing You
with false gods that rust and die.
You are Lord, we are your subjects:
forgive us for trying to remove You
from the throne.
You are Shepherd, we are your sheep:
forgive us for trying to go our own way,
living without You.

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 March 16:

Ronald Bolam – Allegheny General

Discharged:

Jackie Nixon

Remember in Prayer:

Zach Noel (Shirley Ellis' grandson)
Albert Eisenbeis (Jean Roemer's father)
Clifford & Lambert Families
Cliff & Betty Durocher
Nancy Sherman (Alice Sherwin's sister)
Jack Crawford
James Vokun (age 7) Jean Roemer's grandson
Brandy Stevens
Linda Karns
Bob Pulice
Mary Schneider
Robbie Ytterberg & Family
Eileen Douglas
Tom Clarke

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.

Sympathy of the congregation is extended to Rich, Janice, Carly & Halie Ralston on the death of Janice's mother Shirley Sherry.

The rosebud announces the birth of Amelia Evelyn Smith born March 12, 2012 to Megan and Jason Smith. Jim & Cheryl Smith are the grandparents.

NEWS FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST

Hearing Devices: There are personal hearing amplification devices that are available to use anywhere in the sanctuary. They are a small unit, similar in size to a smart phone. If you are interested in using one, please see one of the ushers.

Baptism dates for 2012:

March 25 May 27
July 29 September 30 November 25

Call the Church Office to request a date for Baptism.

Communion dates for 2012:

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 New Members Class will be held today, 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.

Upcoming classes are scheduled for June 3rd and November 4th. 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.

New members will meet with the Session Sunday, March 25th following the 10:45 service in Room 244/245 and be received by the congregation April 1st.

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. Need a new Easter outfit? 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. **Carol Willhite will be in the Welcome Center after the 8:15 service and Earl & Pat Swanson after the 10:45 service.**

Parking for Sunday Services The Property Team asks that we 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.

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

The Video College of Biblical Knowledge during Lent is doing, *Surprised by Hope*, by Rev. R. T. "Tom" Wright. This class meets in Fellowship Hall under the leadership of Mark & Kitty Rackley. Why not join us?

A Welcome Reception will be held Sunday, March 25th after each service for Robbie Ytterberg and family. Plan to join us. A formal welcome will be held when he is ordained and installed.

Dear All: I want to thank all of you for your love, prayers and support during the past week. My dad loved Bethany and loved the people. I am asking for prayers for my sister, Sheryl Lammay and her family. Sheryl's father-in-law, Al Lammay died today and so in one week, she and her family have lost two earthly fathers. We are assured that they are both in heaven and in no pain, but those who are left behind are grieving. Blessings to each of you.

Love, Karen Talerico

Thanks to those who have been picking me up and taking me back home from worship. Sometimes, they go out of their way to do this. Just want to let you know that I appreciate it very much. Joan Franks

Attention All Bethany Hackers:

The date for the Annual Bethany Golf Outing is Saturday, June 23rd at Fort Cherry Golf Club. Contact Ron Gastgeb (412-833-5191) for cost and to reserve your spot. A sit down dinner with prizes will follow the golfing.

The golfer's hymn is "There's a Green Hill Far Away."

Annual Lenten Congregational Brunch – April 1, 2012 (Palm Sunday)

If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. – 1 Peter 4:11 (NIV)

The Men's Ministry Team will be serving the Annual Lenten Brunch after both services on Sunday, April 1, 2012 in the Great Room. You won't want to miss this event, which gets better each year (and that's no April Fool's joke!). All are invited. No tickets required – a "free will" offering will be accepted. All proceeds will go to the continued development of a men's ministry at Bethany Church. Also, the Team is looking for men to help in the set-up, preparing, serving and clean-up for the Brunch. What better way to bring praise to God than serving others in His name. If you can help, please contact Dennis Biearman (dbiearman@yahoo.com) or Paul Bonosky (pbonosky@yahoo.com).

Ways to Serve: 2012 Mission Opportunities!

For more information, see the Mission team insert in today's bulletin:

Rebuilding Pittsburgh – Saturday, April 28
Tapestries of Life (Family Trip) – June 9 -16
West Virginia Trip – August 5 -11
Tapestries of Life (Adult) – November 10-17

✞ Many of you are aware that Jean Roemer's 7 year old grandson, James, has been critically ill over the past several weeks, diagnosed with "HLH," a rare, genetic, immune disease. He is headed for a bone marrow transplant. We are calling for volunteers to register. You must be healthy and between18-44. Registration is easy – sign up, be mailed a kit, swab your cheek and send it back. See guidelines on the national bone marrow transplant website: http://marrow.org/Join/Join_the_Registry.aspx Please do not hesitate to forward this on to anyone who might be interested. Blessings.

GLORY ROAD

Mark your Calendar for 6:00 pm Saturday, March 31, 2012 and come down to the great room at Bethany and watch the Walt Disney movie Glory Road. Enjoy some tacos, nachos and burritos and be prepared to laugh a little, enjoy a little romance, cry a little, and learn how God brings about His will in our lives and in our world - in unlikely places and through unlikely people!

Free admission.

Free will offering for the West Virginia missionary trip.

The movie Glory Road was released in 2006 and it tells the true story of Coach Don Haskins and Texas Western College's amazing triumph - winning the 1966 men's NCAA basketball championship. But there was a heavy price to pay. While church bells rang all day, and people celebrated in El Paso, Texas, many throughout our country seethed in anger and planned their revenge. For Texas Western there would be no appearance on the Ed Sullivan Show; no meeting with the President; no commemorative cover on the Wheaties box - just lies and slander published in newspapers and magazines such as *Sports Illustrated*. And there would be an NCAA investigation that uncovered - nothing. Why all the hate and slander?

Well it was a festering national problem. For some folks, Texas Western College had too many of "the wrong color" on their team. For other folks, our athletes were "Uncle Toms" being exploited by their white coach. Welcome to the 1960's in America. But what TWC achieved in 1966 would change basketball and college sports forever - as the walls came tumbling down. Overnight scholarships for basketball and other college sports would be offered to those people of "the wrong color". And many years later, Texas Western's championship game against the University of Kentucky would be called the most important basketball game ever played.

And guess who will be your host for this movie - Doug Bovard! Doug will fill you in on some interesting details, and we will listen to the players and coaches describe the historic events "in their own words". Why will Doug be your host? Because God provided him with a front row seat to this amazing piece of History. You see, in 1964 his father started teaching accounting at TWC; Doug often walked to school with Mark Haskins (Coach Don Haskins son); and Doug went to every home game with his best friend Mike, and watched every away game on the family's black and white Admiral TV. It was an event that had a profound effect on his view about people; race relations; ethnic differences; hard work; toughness; and courage. Maybe it will have the same effect on you!

The time has finally arrived for us to do a new pictorial directory! Picture sessions will be on April 10, 11, 12, 13,14, 17 and 18, and May 17, 18, 19. You can sign up on line to reserve your preferred appointment time through a link on our website. Sign-ups will begin today, Sunday, March 18th, for those who don't want to sign-up on line. Additional information can be found in the Welcome Center.

Upcoming dates:

Palm Sunday – April 1st. Worship at 8:15 and 10:45. A children's processional and combined adult and children's choir anthem at 10:45.

Maundy Thursday – April 5th at 7:00 p.m. a Communion service, remembering Christ's institution of the Lord's Supper. Members of First Baptist Church will join us.

Good Friday – April 6th at 7:00 p.m. a service remembering Christ's ultimate sacrifice for us will be held.

Easter Sunday – Worship will be held at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. There will be no Sunday School.

A Sunrise Service will be held at 6:30 a.m. at Melrose Cemetery sponsored by the Bridgeville Ministerial Association.

FROM THE BETHANY CHURCH OFFICE

Sunday, March 11

Attendance

8:15 – 55 **10:45 –** 164 Retreat – 90

Finance Report

2012 Budget	776,373		
Year to Date Budget	176,830		
Year to Date Income	171,779	2011 Year to Date Income	180,351

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Sunday March 18 (Psalm 116:1-19) *4th Sunday in Lent*

Pray for Frances Zaloznik

8:15 A.M. – Worship – Sanctuary
9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
10:45 A.M. – Worship – Sanctuary
12:00 P.M. – Communications, Parents & Mentors Luncheon – Fellowship Hall
12:30 P.M. – New Members Class – meet in the Welcome Center
1:00 P.M. – Junior High Youth Service Project
7:15 P.M. – Senior High Youth – Youth Room

Monday, March 19 (Psalm 117:1-2)
Pray for Wilma Zavodnik
6:00 P.M. – Upward Practice – Great Room
7:00 P.M. – Session Meeting – Room 245

Tuesday, March 20 (Psalm 118:1-29)
Pray for Claudia Ziegler
9:15 A.M. – Staff Meeting – Rev. John's Office
9:30 A.M. – Women's Day Out – Fellowship Hall
5:00 P.M. – LOGOS – Various Rooms
6:00 P.M. – Upward Practice – Great Room
6:00 P.M. – Upward Cheerleading Practice – Chapel
7:15 P.M. – PW Coordinating Team – Room 224
7:30 P.M. – Senior High Bible Study – Youth Room

Wednesday, March 21 (Psalm 119:1-16)
Pray for Ellen, Tanner & Hayden Zissis
6:00 P.M. – Upward Practice – Great Room
6:00 P.M. – Upward Cheerleading Practice - Chapel
7:00 P.M. – Young Adults Bible Study – Youth Room
7:00 P.M. – Adult Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room
8:30 P.M. – Bethany Ringers – Choir Room

Thursday, March 22 (Psalm 119:17-32)
Pray for Michele, Adam, Evan, Stephen & Madison Zombek
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 on James – Room 244
8:00 P.M. – Adult Basketball – Great Room

Friday, March 23 (Psalm 119:33-48)
Pray for Shawn, Michele & Stacey Zwigart
9:30 A.M. – Women's Bible Study on James – Room 244
12:00 P.M. – Men's Luncheon – King's Restaurant
6:00 P.M. – Upward Practice – Great Room
7:30 P.M. – Friday Night Group – Bride's Room

Saturday, March 24 (Psalm 119:49-64)
Pray for Debbie & Austin Abel
9:00 A.M. – Upward Game Day – Great Room / Kitchen
10:00 A.M. – Saturday Knitters – Room 224

Sunday March 25 (Psalm 119:65-80)
5th Sunday in Lent / Upward Sunday / Baptism
Pray for Tim, Darlene & Erica Anderson
8:15 A.M. – Worship – Sanctuary
9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
10:45 A.M. – Worship – Sanctuary
11:45 A.M. – Session & New Members – Room 244/245
6:00 P.M. – Junior High Youth – Youth Room
7:15 P.M. – Senior High Youth – Youth Room

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Free Income Tax Assistance is available at The Bible Chapel, 300 Gallery Drive, McMurray, through April 17th from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There are no appointments, only walk-ins. Closed Good Friday.

Easter Basket Family Bingo: Sponsored by Holy Child Catholic PTG on Sunday, March 25th, 2012, at Holy Child School Gym. Doors open at 12:30 PM, early bird games at 1:30 PM, and regular games at 1:45 PM. Admission is $8.00 and includes all 14 games and one Chinese auction ticket. All children must be accompanied by an adult and there is no smoking allowed. Seating is first come first serve. Ticket quantities are limited so BUY EARLY. For ticket information call Sister Barbara Anne at @ 412-221-4720.

Picture yourself in the 1980's...Did you have big hair and know how to use it as you wore a banana clip, pegged your jeans, rocked a neon sweater dress and leg warmers over your converse high-tops? Then come re-live the fun at the "I LOVE the 80's Dance" at Club Cefalo's in Carnegie, Friday April 13th, 7-11pm! $10 Pre-Sale tickets. Proceeds benefit Holy Child Catholic School. Call Andrea (412) 977-0553 for tickets/info.

The Vineyard Christian Fellowship, Liberty Street, Bridgeville, will have the pleasure of having a free concert on March 29th by Mitch McVicker (formerly of Rich Mullins Ragamuffin Band). Doors open at 7:00 p.m. and Mitch starts at about 8:00 p.m. If anyone is interested in coming to see this concert they really need to be there by 7ish as we can hold only about 110 - 120 in our sanctuary. We will be taking a love offering for Mitch, and he will be selling his CDs. Thank you for your time. See the poster in the Welcome Center or call (412)969-1295 for additional information.

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THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING WHO ARE SERVING THE LORD

Lay Readers: 8:15 – Tera Bricker
10:45 – Terry Kohlmyer

Ushers: 8:15 – Amy Ramage, Eric & Ginny Millerschoen, Tom Harold
10:45 – Randy & Danielle Druchniak, Earl & Pat Swanson

Fellowship Greeters: 8:15 – The Ushers
10:45 – Kim & Samantha Hartnett

Good News Greeters: 8:15 – Dianne Fiorentini
10:45 – Fred Gossic

Nursery: 8:15 – Judy Vietmeier, Rosemarie Thielet
10:45 – Jenny Smith, Brittany Lytle, David Krieger

Two, Three & Four Year Olds – Room 149
10:45 – Scott & Laura Miller

Four & Five Year Olds – Children's Worship & Wonder – Room 144
10:45 – Dee Wolfe, Annie Doty, Brooke Ley, Lindsey Myers

At the Welcome Center: **8:15** – Jack O'Brien
10:45 – Mike Suchoza

You are Abba-Father, we are your children:
forgive us for rebelling against You,
rejecting your love.
We fall before You, God,
asking for your mercy,
ready to receive and eager to share it with others.
Thank You that You are God
...and we are not.
In your Son's name.
Amen.

Rev. Dr. John G. Hamilton

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE No.382 All Sing Together verse 1

Forgive our sins as we forgive you,
You taught us, Lord, to pray,
But you alone can grant us,
Grace to live the words we say.

WE GIVE TO GOD

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY

8:15	"All Night, All Day" John and Maureen Breitigan	arr. P. Simms
10:45	"If You Love Me""	M. Patterson

*THE RESPONSE - HYMN NO. 572 vs. 1

God whose giving knows no ending
from your rich and endless store;
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,
costly cross, grave's shattered door,
gifted by you, we turn to you,
offering up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever,
gracious donor of our days.

*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE ANTHEM

8:15	"Lead Me to Calvary" Bethany Men's Chorus	
10:45	"Down to the River to Pray" Bethany Ringers: Brooke Ley, Flute	A. Page

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS: Lay Reader

Old Testament: Isaiah 6:1-5	See page 1068 in pew Bible
New Testament: Matthew 6:7-15	See page 1504 in pew Bible
Revelation 4:6-11	See page 1918 in pew Bible

L: *"The word of the Lord"* **P: *"Thanks be to God"***

THE SERMON "Prayer: Aware of the Holy" Rev. John Hamilton

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

THE PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*THE HYMN No. 146 "Glorify Thy Name"

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE RESPONSE **10:45** "May the Road Rise to Meet You" J. Turner

*THE POSTLUDE "Lamb of God Most Holy" J. Pachelbel

*All who are able and willing, please stand