

# *Bethany*

*...loving with the heart of Jesus*

## ***“The Closed Door”***

Pastor John Hamilton

*“Here I am! I stand at the door and knock.  
If anyone hears my voice and opens the door,  
I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.”*

Revelation 3:20

***July 1, 2018***

*Our Mission*

*To trust in Jesus...love like Jesus...  
grow in Jesus...bring others to Jesus*

## WE GATHER BEFORE GOD

The Chiming of the Hour

The Welcome and News of the Church

The Prelude

8:15 -                    “*Give to Our God Immortal Praise*”                    W. Held

10:00 -                    “*Battle Hymn of the Republic*”  
                                  Karen Harkins, Violin

\*The Call to Worship (from Psalm 24:7-10)

\*The Hymn No. 317            “*Crown Him With Many Crowns*”

\*The Prayer of Confession

*Lord, we remember in these moments what  
we would be without You:*

*captive to our sins and impulses,  
    our fears and regrets,  
    alone in our failures...  
    existing but not alive.*

*We remember what we are with You:*

*forgiven and set free,  
    saved and blessed abundantly,  
    given life and hope.*

*In these moments we confess our need  
and express our thanks...*

*Amen.*

\*Silent Prayer

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

# WELCOME TO BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**We are delighted to have you in worship with us today!**

Our services today are at 8:15, 10:00 and 6:00 PM.

**A Nursery** is adjacent to the Sanctuary for infants through 2 years of age, and has a paging system available.

**A Cry Room** with windows and speaker is at the rear of the Sanctuary (near the usher's table) on the pulpit side.

**Child Care (2<sup>nd</sup> Hour)** for ages 2 and 3 is available in room 149.

**Worship and Wonder**, available for children age 4 thru 2<sup>nd</sup> grade during our 10:00am service. Children will be escorted by their teachers after the offering to the class, which is held in Rm 144. Parents can pick up their children in the classroom after church.

**Coffee, cookies/donuts and fellowship** are in the Welcome Center

**Please sign the Fellowship Pad** at the end of the pew and pass it on.

Sound amplification devices are available to those who might need or want to use them.

Our ushers are available to help with any needs that you have during worship.

***Please turn off cell phones before worship. Thank you.***

\*on the Worship bulletin indicates all who are able, please stand.

## Keep in Prayer:

Ken Cook - at St. Clair

Lou Nowasielski – recovering at home after surgery

Cheryl Smith – at home, recovering from surgery

**Flowers:** Flowers are in honor of my mother's birthday, Beverly Mackel from Peggy Walsh.

## THANKS TO THOSE SERVING THE LORD THIS MORNING

**Ushers:** 8:15 – Marlene Haley, Maxine Berton, Brian & Valerie Bartels

10:00 – Rusty & Sandy North, Tom & Carole Aspinall

**Worship & Wonder:** Debby Hayes & Sara Sunderlin

**2<sup>nd</sup> Hour:** Dan & Christine Furman

**Scrip Table:** Ginny Millerschoen, Judy Gardner

**Nursery:** 8:15 – Beckie Price

10:00 – Sandy Fricker & Jenny Smith

## NEWS FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST

*We pray for those who have been affected by recent severe rains and flooding.*

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### **Does the church have your current contact information ?**

(Address, Phone Numbers, Email)

This information will need to be updated for the New Church Directories that will be printed soon. If any of your information has changed please contact the church office.

Call 412-221-5132 or email at [Office@BethanyPresby.org](mailto:Office@BethanyPresby.org)

We are also searching for an appropriate photo for the cover. If you have a photo that you think could be used for the next church directory please submit it to the office or contact Mike Segeleon at [msegeleon@msn.com](mailto:msegeleon@msn.com).

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**Supplies Needed for Future Art Projects:** If you can help in any way, please save these items and bring to church on the collection date.

Thank you, Sharon Salvini

-50, 2 liter pop bottles with lids will be collected Sunday, July 15th.

-50, 8 or 12 oz tin cans will be collected on Sunday, Aug 19th.

-150 empty, cardboard, toilet rolls or paper towel rolls are needed by Sunday, September 2nd and will be collected through out summer.

-50 meat trays, any size will be collected on Sunday, September 16th.

-100 egg cartons are needed for an art project and will be collected Sunday, Oct 14<sup>th</sup>

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**Preschool News:** There are four openings for the 3 year-old classes at Bethany Preschool. Children must be 3 by September 1, 2018 and be toilet trained. If interested please call the church at 412-221-5132 as soon as possible.

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### **July Special Offering - Adult Mission Trip**

The special offering envelope for July supports all of Bethany's Adult Mission Trips, including West Virginia, Haiti, and Mexico.

Online giver? Not receiving envelopes? You can still donate to this special offering either by selecting "Adult Mission Trip" in the online giving portal or noting that your donation is for the Adult Mission Fund on your check or a pew envelope.

Thank you for your contribution to these incredible mission trip projects!

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## **Huge Thank You!**

We want to extend a huge thank you for all who served as leaders and helpers for our Vacation Bible School, "Shipwrecked".

Each day, around 150 children and helpers participated in rousing songs, creative crafts, delicious snacks, insightful lessons, exciting races and games. All of this was accomplished in days of heat, rain and even flooding!

And all of this was so that the children and parents would know

Jesus Rescues...

When you are lonely, Jesus rescues.

When you worry, Jesus rescues.

When you struggle, Jesus rescues.

When you do wrong, Jesus rescues.

When you are powerless, Jesus rescues.

Praise God for All of You!

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### **SAVE THE DATE!**

Church Picnic on August 26, 2018 at Chartiers Park.

Worship starts at 10:00 AM with Picnic to follow.

Please look in future bulletins for more information.

## FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

Attendance for June 24, 2018: 8:15 AM– 70, 10:00 AM – 250, 6:00 PM – 30

### **Finance Report: As of June 24, 2018:**

(\$)	2018 YTD	2017 YTD	+/-
Contributions and investment income	254,367	278,361	(23,994)
Contributions received in 2017 designated for 2018	17,700		17,700
General Fund Subsidies (transfers)	110,936	86,840	24,096
Total General Fund Income	383,003	365,201	17,802
Year to Date Budget	375,201		
+/- Budget	7,802		

### Calendar and Events for the Week

#### **Monday, July 2**

*Pray for Karry Smith*

6:15 PM – PW Body Carpenter Workout

#### **Tuesday, July 3**

*Pray for Mackenzie Smith*

6:30 PM – Men’s Huddle Group

7:30 PM – Quartet Practice

#### **Wednesday, July 4**

#### **Fourth of July**

*Pray for Sandy Smith*

OFFICE CLOSED

#### **Thursday, July 5**

*Pray for Steve, Cathy, Sarah & Emily Smith*

9:15 AM – Quilting

12:00 PM – Thursday Knitters

7:00 PM – AA Mtg

#### **Friday, July 6**

*Pray for Jason, Richelle, Noah, & Andrew Sommerfield*

#### **Saturday, July 7**

Senior High Mission Trip

#### **Sunday, July 8**

Senior High Mission Trip

8:15 AM - Worship

10:00 AM - Worship

6:00 PM – Worship

\*The Response     *“The Gloria Patri”*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.*

## **WE GIVE TO GOD**

The Children’s Message

The Commissioning of the Sr. High Mission Trip Team

The Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

8:15 -                     *“How Firm a Foundation”*

D. Hustad

10:00 -                   *“If We Could See Beyond Today”*

Dick Visser, Bass Soloist

\*The Response                     *“Doxology”*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; Amen.*

\*The Prayer of Dedication

The Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

\*The Hymn No. 727   *“America the Beautiful”*

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

The Prayer of Illumination

The Scripture Lessons:

Old Testament      Isaiah 55: 6-9      page 1148

New Testament      Revelation 3:14-22      page 1917

Leader: The Word of the Lord      People: **Thanks be to God**

The Sermon      *"The Closed Door"*  
Pastor John Hamilton

The Prayer of Commitment

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\*The Hymn No. 461 *"Breathe On Me, Breath of God"*

\*The Benediction

The Postlude      *"Toccata"*      R. Thygerson

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Senior High Youth Group Mission Team to Texas:



Hope Trotta, Max Nagy, Katie Nagy, Jake Nelson, Abby Byers, Abby Sysak, Sarah Verduci, Kiley Simpronio, Judi Wolstoncroft, Connie Segeleon, Mike Segeleon, and Ryan Black