



Bethany Church

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN

March 17, 2024

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Welcome to Bethany Church!

Sunday Schedule

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Fellowship Time: 10:00 a.m.

Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

Children's Church: Dismissed halfway through service

Children's Programs

Nursery – Our nursery staff is available, beginning 10 minutes before the service starts, to watch children ages 0 to 3 years during the 10:30 a.m. Worship service.

Children's Church – Children (K through 5th grade) are dismissed halfway through the service to Room B08 downstairs. After the worship service is over, parents can walk downstairs and pick up their children.

This Week at Bethany

For a full calendar of events and detailed event information, check out our website www.bethanyepc.org

Monday, March 18th

Pickleball 6:00 p.m.

Women's Bible Study: God's Unbreakable Promises 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19th

Tuesday Club 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday Club for Adults 6:15 p.m.

Bethany Prayer Team Meeting 7:15 p.m.

Wednesday, March 20th

Youth Group 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 21st

Zooming Ladies Small Group 9:00 a.m.

Session Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 23rd

Bethany Church Outdoor Landscape Work Day 8:00 a.m.-Noon

Upcoming Events

Thursday, March 28th

Maundy Thursday Dinner & Communion 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 31st

Easter Pancake Breakfast 8:30-10:00 a.m.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt immediately following the worship service

ORDER OF WORSHIP – 10:30 A.M.

Call To Worship

Psalm 96:10-13

Leader

Say among the nations, “The Lord reigns!

Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved;
he will judge the peoples with equity.”

People

**Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
let the field exult, and everything in it!**

Leader

Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
before the Lord, for he comes,
for he comes to judge the earth.

People

**He will judge the world in righteousness,
and the peoples in his faithfulness.**

Open Up The Heavens

Prayer of Adoration

Come, Christians, Join To Sing

Hymn #302

Prayer of Confession

Congregational Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Choir Anthem

Lenten Anthem (Jay Althouse)

Offering

Doxology

Hymn #731

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Goodness Of God

Children (K-5th) Dismissed for Children's Church

(First-time attendees should be accompanied by an adult for initial sign-in)

Scripture Reading

Matthew 7:1-6

Prayer

Sermon

Kingdom Judgment

Prayer

Beneath The Cross Of Jesus

Hymn #251

Benediction

PRAYER REQUESTS

Kate (friend of Rodney & Deidre Craig) - dealing with family illness and losses

Laura (friend of Nan Barton) - employment

Melissa Toland - on the anniversary (March 17) of the passing of her son, Connor

Rolls, Anne, & Sophonie (members of the Metellus family) - please pray for approval of their application to come to the U.S. from Haiti. The area where they live is getting more and more dangerous.

Health Issues

Nick

Jay Pennypacker

Rich

Bob Scotti

Paul Cruz

Cliff Swanson

Anita Hoicker

Ruth Tress

Gary Hoicker

Glenn Walker

Bernice Napier

Ministry Prayer Focus

That Bethany Church will become a people of prayer

March Missions' Prayer Focus

Chosen People Ministries and their work to pray for, evangelize, disciple, and serve the Jewish people

***Prayer requests will remain in the bulletin for about one month and renewed upon request.**

IN NEED OF PRAYER?

Tell us your request by filling out a prayer card in the pew pocket and place in the offering box or hand to an usher.. Prayer requests can also be e-mailed to prayer@bethanyepc.org. All requests are confidential. If you would like your prayer request in the bulletin, please call the church office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: GOD'S UNBREAKABLE PROMISES

Monday, March 18

7:00 p.m. | Youth Room

We will be studying about God's Unbreakable Promises. This study will meet monthly through June

OUTDOOR LANDSCAPE WORK DAY

Saturday, March 23

8:00 AM - Noon

Clean up, debris removal, pruning, mulch, plant new bushes, etc. Bring your shovels, rakes, pruners, wheelbarrows and enthusiasm to help beautify Bethany's outdoor area. There are tasks for all ability and age levels from picking up sticks to digging for new bushes.

MAUNDY THURSDAY DINNER AND COMMUNION

Thursday, March 28

6:00 p.m. | Gym

Experience Maundy Thursday this year with your church family! Gather to experience a portion of what Jesus shared with His disciples, taste some traditional food, and learn the meanings behind elements of the Passover meal. We will enjoy a family-style meal and the celebration of Communion! Register by **Sunday, March 17th**

EASTER FLOWERS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

The Deacons are purchasing flowers (6" tulip plants of various colors and 6" daffodil plants) to help decorate the sanctuary for Easter. If you would like to dedicate one or more of these plants "in memory of" or "in honor of" a friend or loved one OR if you just want to help defray the cost of the flowers, please register and donate online or using envelopes available in the narthex.

Easter Flower donations are open until **Sunday, March 24th**.

EASTER PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, March 31

8:30-10:00 AM | Gym

All are welcome to enjoy an Easter Sunday pancake breakfast! Bring the family. Bring friends. Make sure to register so we know you are coming!

SPECIAL EASTER OFFERING

March 1-March 31

This year's Special Easter Offering will be given to **Chosen People Ministries**. The organization exists to pray for, evangelize, disciple, and serve Jewish people everywhere, and to help fellow believers do the same.

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

Sunday, March 31

Immediately following the Worship Service | Front Lawn

Easter is upon us and we like to celebrate by hosting our annual Easter Egg hunt. It is for all kids. Come directly out to the front lawn after the service. We'll have a secondary area for kids under 3 in a designated area.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE AT BETHANY CHURCH

Thursday, April 11

2:00-7:00 PM | Gym

Be part of the lifesaving cause and schedule your appointment today.

WOMEN'S IF GATHERING 2024 AT BETHANY CHURCH

Saturday, April 13

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Youth Room

We are looking forward to gathering as a community for our annual women's retreat! At IF:Local 2024, we want to create the opportunity for you to experience Jesus. We want you to remember His character, power, mystery, love, and delight. Registration is now open.

Cost: \$30 (credit card or checks only) Continental breakfast, lunch, coffee & snacks included.



Learn more and register for these events on the Bethany Church Events page using this QR code

LEADERSHIP

SESSION – ELDERS@BETHANYEPC.ORG

Class of 2024

Dave Mensch

Harry Rezer

Dave Woods

Class of 2025

Larry Barton*

Paul Cruz

Quincy McDonald

Steve Taylor

Class of 2026

Key Coleman

Alex Dawes*

Matt Olson

DEACONS – DEACONS@BETHANYEPC.ORG

Class of 2024

Leslie Rindone

Bob Scotti

Debbie Taylor

Diane Whitehead

Class of 2025

Wayne Aiken

Susannah Mitchell

Sarah Olson

Cynthia Wells*

Joanne Wetzel

Class of 2026

Nan Barton*

Susie Keller*

Neicy McCracken*

Christie Mills*

Cyndi Scace

*serving in second term

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2023-24 Fiscal Year Results thru Feb 2024			
	YTD (Sep-Feb) Budget	YTD (Sep-Feb) Actual	YTD (Sep-Feb) Actual vs Budget
Tithes & Offerings	\$300,000.00	\$360,597.27	\$60,597.27
Expenses	\$299,524.08	\$374,506.83	\$74,982.75*
Net Result			-\$14,385.48

*includes \$67,639 in unbudgeted expenses for emergency maintenance, building improvement, and property security projects

Your offering can be placed in the offering box found in the Narthex; or, you can give online using your existing Church Center account (bethanyepc.churchcenter.com/giving)

CORE VALUES OF BETHANY EPC

●We value **God's Word** as the authority in our preaching, teaching, serving, and all of life. (Hebrews 4:12; 2 Timothy 3:16)

●We value **a personal relationship with Jesus Christ**. (John 15:15; Philippians 2:12-13)

●We value **worship** as being vital to the life of the church, celebrating who God is and what God has done for us. (Psalms 66:5; 2 Kings 17:39; John 4:24; Luke 4:8)

●We value **discipleship**, helping people of all ages in their pursuit of life-long spiritual growth. (Ephesians 4:11-14; Hebrews 6:1)

●We value **children and youth** and support their growth in a life-long relationship with Jesus Christ. (Matthew 19:14; Mark 9:37)

●We value **prayer** to shape our Christian lives and to conceive, plan and execute the ministries and activities of the church. (Matthew 7:7-11; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

●We value **service** and cherish opportunities to meet the needs of others. (Luke 19:10; Matthew 25:31-46; Philippians 2:3-11)

●We value **Christ-centered fellowship** and friendship and seek opportunities to join together as the family of God. (Acts 2:42; Ephesians 2:19-22)

●We value **the generous use of all that God has given us** individually: time, talents, and treasure. (Romans 12:4-6a; 1 Peter 4:10)

●We value **God's desire to reach all people** in our neighborhoods and the world and to reconcile humanity to Himself through Jesus Christ. (Isaiah. 49:6; Matthew 28:16-20; Acts 1:8)



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