



“Buildings, Memories, and Building Memories”

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2025
10:45AM

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

WORSHIP THE LORD

WE GATHER

PRELUDE

"More Than Conquerors"
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WELCOME

Pastor Brian Janssen

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Please Stand)*

Pastor Larry Ruby

Behold, the Lord is making all things new!

The former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

Heaven and earth may pass away, but the word of our God stands forever.

We come, trusting in the One who holds our future in mercy.

Let us worship the God of resurrection, renewal, and steadfast love.

We lift our hearts to the Lord, who makes all things whole.

Let us worship God!

OPENING PRAYER *(Please Stand)*

Pastor Larry Ruby

HYMN *(Please Stand)* **"All Creatures of Our God and King" led by Bloom Musicians**

Brent Milligan, David Crowder, St. Francis of Assisi, William Henry Draper © Words:
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Verse 1 All creatures of our God and King Lift up your voice and with us sing O praise
Him alleluia Thou burning sun with golden beam Thou silver moon with softer gleam O
praise Him O praise Him Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia

Verse 2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong Ye clouds that sail in Heav'n along O
praise Him alleluia Thou rising moon in praise rejoice Ye lights of evening find a voice O
praise Him O praise Him Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia

Verse 3 Let all things their Creator bless And worship Him in humbleness O praise Him
alleluia Praise praise the Father praise the Son And praise the Spirit three in One O
praise Him O praise Him Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia

CALL TO CONFESSION *(Please be seated)*

Pastor Larry Ruby

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor Larry Ruby

Eternal God, you promise a new heaven and a new earth, yet we live as though
your kingdom will never come. We cling to old hurts, harbor fears that paralyze
our faith, and doubt your power to renew all things. Forgive us, Lord. By your
Spirit, free us from despair, that we may live as witnesses to your resurrection
hope and trust the future you are bringing through Christ our Savior. Amen. *Silent
Confession*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Larry Ruby

Hear the good news: The One who endures the cross now reigns over all creation. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, restored, and made new. **Praise God! Amen.**

RESPONSE *(Please Stand)*

"Gloria Patri"

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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.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor Larry Ruby

Since God has forgiven us in Christ. Let us be at peace with one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all...**and also with you.**

The kids can come forward for the Children's Sermon as you all take a moment to share the peace of Christ with those around you.

WE LISTEN

CHILDREN'S ANTHEM

"Every Move I Make"

Youth Ukulele Choir and Sunday School Singers

by David Ruis © 1996 Mercy / Vineyard Publishing; Vineyard Songs Canada

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Pastor Larry Ruby

FIRST READING

Isaiah 65:17-25

Pastor Larry Ruby

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating, for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days or an old person who does not live out a lifetime, for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat, for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

SECOND READING

Luke 21:5-19

Pastor Brian Janssen

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my

name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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WE RESPOND

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

by Stead and Kirkpatrick; arr. Schmidt; cpr 2017 Wilhelm Schmidt

Soloist: Ruth Doyle

Bethany Choir

THE RESPONSE (*Please Stand*)

"Doxology"

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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 (*Please Stand*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray this in the name of our Savior, who taught us to pray, saying... Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be 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.

WE ARE SENT

HYMN (*Please Stand*)

"My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness"

led by Bloom Musicians

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Verse 1 My heart is filled with thankfulness To Him who bore my pain Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace And gave me life again Who crushed my curse of sinfulness And clothed me with His light And wrote His law of righteousness With power upon my heart.

Verse 2 My heart is filled with thankfulness To Him who walks beside Who floods my weaknesses with strength And causes fears to fly Whose every promise is enough For every step I take Sustaining me with arms of love And crowning me with grace.

Verse 3 My heart is filled with thankfulness To Him who reigns above Whose wisdom is my perfect peace Whose every thought is love For every day I have on earth Is given by the King So I will give my life my all To love and follow Him.

BENEDICTION

Pastor Larry Ruby

CLOSING RESPONSE "May the Road Rise to Meet You"

Bethany Choir

POSTLUDE

WELCOME TO BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are delighted to have you in worship with us this morning!

FOR OUR FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN - A Nursery Room is across the hall from the pulpit side of the Sanctuary. It is equipped with a speaker system from the sanctuary so any parent(s) who wishes to stay with their child(ren) in the nursery can hear the worship service. **A Cry Room** is at the rear of the Sanctuary – entry is through a door in the Narthex near the usher's table. *We encourage you to use these rooms as needed.* **Worship Bags** are available for children to use during the worship service. The bags can be found at the Usher's Desk. **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.

WORSHIP AND WONDER is during our 10:45am service! Children will leave with Miss Debby after the Children's Sermon. All kids from ages 3-2nd grade are invited! Teen helpers are to see Miss Debby and she can be reached at 412-266-0982.

NEWS FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST

Today's ushers are Laura Dugan, Heather and Karen Lucas and Connie Segeleon.

The flowers are presented to the Glory of God by Marge Jablonski in memory of her beloved husband, Walt.

The Congregation would like to congratulate Barbara Mours on the birth of her new grandchild, Brailee Rose.

Special thanks to our Youth Ukulele Choir and Sunday School Singers for sharing their anthem with us today! We are blessed by your gifts that you share with us!

A very special thank you to everyone who helped put on the Friendsgiving Celebration! Gary Phillips and the Discipleship Team would like to thank everyone who set up, tore down, and everyone who served and made all the food the day before and to those who brought dishes! You all made the event so wonderful for everyone who attended. See you next year!

PROGRAM AND EVENT NEWS

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is being held November 23rd immediately following the 10:45am worship service. Please plan to attend this important meeting at which we will elect Elders, Deacons and Auditors, and approve the 2026 Terms of Call for the Rev. Dr. Brian Janssen.

HOLY COW LISTENING SESSIONS

We will be hosting listening sessions for the Holy Cow Survey for the congregation. Sign up for a time on the [sign up sheet in the Welcome Center](#) or visit the link to sign up for a time that works best for you! The times available are:

Friday, December 5th 6:30pm

Saturday, December 6th 10am and 1:30pm

Sunday, December 7th after Worship

*Potential Zoom Session Monday, December 8, 6:30pm

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScqDdk7y-A1fOO9giSgG7zZZmdOR7-Qf8Vcd8Rx6MX6GSIffQ/viewform?usp=header>



BETHANY YOUTH GROUP UPCOMING EVENTS

November 16th will be BYG Group Night from 5:00pm-6:30pm. We will be focusing on Gratitude!! We hope to see you there!

The Laurelville Mud Weekend registration has been extended to TODAY, Sunday November 16th. Grab a packet in the Welcome Center for more information!!

Sunday November 23rd we will meet in the kitchen after church to bake a variety of treats to then deliver to the residents of Bridgeville Towers! Stay tuned for information on our December Events! We have some awesome things to look forward to!

SECRET SISTER REVEAL LUNCHEON – Join us for **The Reveal Luncheon FOR THE 2025 SECRET SISTERS** on December 7th at 12:00pm in Fellowship Hall to see who your Secret Sister has been this whole year! Contact Pat Mishizen 412-417-3541 or Judy Davidson 412-343-7530 for any questions. Appetizers and desserts will be provided. We can't wait to see you there!

MISSION NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

CHURCH FINANCES AS OF NOVEMBER 9, 2025

Thank you for your continued support.

	2025 YTD (\$)	2024 YTD (\$)	+/- (\$)
Contributions*	\$ 454,096	\$ 450,175	\$ 3,921
General Fund Subsidies (Transfers)	308,765	292,625	16,140
Investment Income **	13,609	35,097	(21,489)
Total General Fund Income	\$ 776,470	\$ 777,898	\$ (1,427)
Year to Date Budget	811,715		
+/- Budget	\$ (35,245)		

*For purposes of this report, any prepaid pledges have been spread over 52 weeks.

** Investment income is updated monthly upon receipt of investment statements.

A friendly reminder from the Stewardship team, please write the amount of your giving on the outside of the envelope when turning in your offering. This helps make the job of those counting much easier.



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“Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom the master puts in charge of his servants to give them their food allowance at the proper time? It will be good for that servant whom the master finds doing so when he returns.”

Jesus instructs us in Luke 12:42-43 that being a good steward of the Lord's abundance is a privilege and a responsibility. Let us live faithfully and be ready for the Master's return.

November Special Offering - Membership Support Fund

The special offering envelope for November supports the Membership Support Fund. This fund benefits Bethany members in need of assistance. Online giver? Not receiving envelopes? You can still donate to this special offering either by selecting "Membership Support" in the online giving portal or noting that your donation is for the Membership Support Fund on your check or a pew envelope. Thank you for your contribution to Bethany members in need through the Membership Support Fund!

WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, November 16

Pancake Breakfast

8:15AM and 10:45AM – Worship

9:30AM - Sunday School

5:00PM – BYG Group Night

Monday, November 17

6:30PM - Body Carpenter Workout

6:30PM - Men's Huddle Group

7:00PM - Deacons Meeting

Tuesday, November 18

7:00PM - Session Meeting

7:00PM – ALANON

Wednesday, November 19

11:30AM – Knitters

12:30PM – Hand Chimes

6:30PM - Troop 2 Scouts

7:00PM - Choir Practice

Thursday, November 20

9:00AM – Quilters

10:00AM – **ADULT** Ukulele

12:00PM – Rotary

12:00PM – Golden Oldies Luncheon

6:30PM – Bloom

7:00PM - Dart Ball

7:30PM - AA

Friday, November 21

Saturday, November 22

SUPPLEMENTAL DIAPER BANK

11:00AM – Knitters

Sunday, November 23

11:45AM - Congregational Meeting

8:15AM and 10:45AM – Worship

9:30AM - Sunday School

12:00PM – BYG Baking for Bridgeville Towers