

Bethany

...loving with the heart of Jesus



Palm Sunday

“An Invitation to Get Started”

Rev. Bill Youmans

April 5, 2020

Our Mission

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

Worship The Lord

Sunday, April 5, 2020

Palm Sunday

10:45 am LIVE STREAM

See below for instructions for joining the live stream

WE GATHER BEFORE GOD

Welcome and News of the Church

Pastor Bill Youmans

Chiming of the Hour

WE GIVE GOD PRAISE

Invocation

Pastor Bill Youmans

Hymn No. 265

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

Refrain:

*All glory, laud and honor
to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.*

*1 You are the King of Israel,
and David’s royal Son,
now in the Lord’s name coming,
our King and blessèd One! [Refrain]*

*2 The people of the Hebrews
with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before you we present: [Refrain]*

*3 As you received their praises,
accept the prayers we bring,
for you delight in goodness,
O good and gracious King! [Refrain]*

Music

“Hosanna”

Brook Frasier

Connie Segeleon; Elissa Hamilton; Bill Paviol

WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Jae Cho

Assurance of Pardon

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.*

Hymn No. 267

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

*1 Hosanna, loud hosanna,
the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple
the lovely anthem rang:
to Jesus, who had blessed them,
close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises,
the simplest and the best.*

*2 From Olivet they followed
'mid an exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving,
and chanting clear and loud;
the Lord of earth and heaven
rode on in lowly state,
nor scorned that little children
should on his bidding wait.*

*3 "Hosanna in the highest!"
That ancient song we sing,*

*for Christ is our Redeemer,
the Lord of heaven our King,
O may we ever praise him
with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence
eternally rejoice!*

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: Psalm 118:21-29

Children's Message

Mike Segeleon

Second Reading: Mark 11:1-11

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn No. 268

*“Ride on, Ride On in Majesty”
1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hear all the tribes hosanna cry;
O Savior meek, pursue your road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.*

*2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die.
O Christ, your triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.*

*3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The host of angels in the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.*

*4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Your last and fiercest strife is nigh.
The Father on his sapphire throne
awaits his own anointed Son.*

*5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die,
bow your meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O Christ, your power and reign.*

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Jae Cho

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.

Dedication of Gifts and Offerings

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.*

Benediction

Pastor Bill Youmans

NEWS FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST

Worship livestream with us on our Bethany Website by using this link this Sunday at 10:45am.

<https://www.facebook.com/bethanypresby/>

If you “like our Facebook page you should get a notification when we go live.

If you have any questions please contact Shaun Martinec at tech@bethanypresby.org

Holy Week Services:

Maundy Thursday Communion Worship: Thursday, April 9, 7:00 PM Watch Party

Members of First Baptist Church will provide inspiring music, and Pastors Glenn Loper, Jae Cho and Bill Youmans will lead worship. You can participate by having a piece of bread (or cracker, or other breakable carbohydrate) and a cup of juice (or wine or water) available to break and distribute. A worship guide will be sent out via email blast, or US mail.

Good Friday Worship: April 10, 7:00 PM, Livestream

Reflect on the fact of Jesus’ suffering on the cross as God’s way of fixing our problem with evil. Through simple readings and shared thoughts, we will feel God’s hope in even the darkest time.

Easter Sunday Worship:

6:45 AM Sunrise Worship, Melrose Cemetery

Gather in the Melrose Cemetery (3060 Washington Pike) among the tombs, and look for the empty one. Listen from your car, or gather observing safe spacing of 6ft. Test the preacher’s voice capacity and hear afresh the resurrection story.

10:45 AM Livestream Worship

In the weeks of Lent, you have heard Jesus invite you to find purpose in him, to resist all that pulls you off course, to pride in his life, to believe, and to obey. Hear now his invitation to new life, proven by an empty tomb and a risen Savior.

Bethany Youth Group: BYG Virtual youth group will be every Sunday from 4pm to 530pm. We will be covering what is going on in the world around us with highlights and lowlights, prayer requests, and a Bible scripture devotional and more. On Wednesday every week we are having a Youth virtual prayer lunch. Talking about your favorite topic. If you are interested in being a part of this sign in through the google hangouts meeting code.

<https://meet.google.com/tcw-rqix-fho> Also if you want to be invited, send Pastor Jae your email to jae@bethanypresby.org or you can text 412-880-7995.

Morning Prayer and More

Starting Monday, March 23, each weekday morning, from 9:00 to 9:15am Pastor Bill will lead a reflection on a Psalm for the day. And follow with a prayer for the day. Anyone wishing to fellowship with one another and the pastor may sign in to the meeting at anytime from 8:30am to 9, and stay after morning prayer till 9:30am. Our hope is to create a forum for communication of our needs and experiences during this global health crisis and beyond. You can participate via a computer with a video camera. Or you can just hear the audio and see the pastor and others using a computer without a camera. Or you can phone in to number below and hear the audio and be able to speak to others. If using your phone, you will be asked to enter the PIN below. What a great way to start the day!

Join Morning Prayer and More

meet.google.com/zvx-fxfi-aoz

Meeting ID

meet.google.com/zvx-fxfi-aoz

Phone Number

[+1 515-519-5891](tel:+15155195891)

PIN: 127 260 960#

Discipleship:

Sunday School - We will continue Sunday school digitally as the resources are available each week. Also for teens who in confirmation class and Sr. High are welcome to use Right Now Media for their studies. For more information check the Bethany website and with Kathryn Martinec.

Check out "**The Lent Experience**" by Eric Ferris on Right Now Media. Our Youth Group has been watching this and it's helping us grow in a deeper knowledge of what it means to follow Christ in this season. Sign up at Bethanypresby.org

GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER – BETHANY IS MAKING IT AS EASY AS “84321”

We have upgraded our online giving platform - Giving is now as easy as **84321!**

TEXT TO GIVE - That’s right, now you can text the amount of your donation to **84321!** It really is that easy - why not give it a try right now 😊?

ONLINE GIVING – Visit <http://bethanypresby.org/give> There, you can setup recurring or one-time donations using your bank account, debit card or credit card. You can also access the online giving platform through our Church’s newly upgraded website at <https://bethanypresby.org/>.

CASH/CHECK - If you have always given via cash or check, now is a great time to switch to online giving. In addition to being easy and secure, recurring transfers are budget friendly and help to ensure accurate, confidential crediting of donations in our records. Of course, we continue to appreciate cash and/or check donations as well. During this period of online worship, these can be mailed to the church at 740 Washington Avenue, Bridgeville, PA 15017; as always, please use your church offering envelopes to ensure proper crediting of donations.

SECURITY & COSTS - Online and text giving is easy and secure⁽¹⁾. In many ways, it is also more efficient and cost effective than cash and/or checks. Fees for online giving transactions are as follows:

ACH (bank transfers): \$0.25 per transfer – That’s the same as the costs to process a check.

Debit & Credit cards: 2.15% + \$0.30 per transaction – This is less cost effective than the ACH option, but there is an option for donors to cover these fees.

⁽¹⁾ *Payment information is TLS encrypted and stored at **Stripe** - a Level 1 PCI compliant payment processor. Bank verification powered by **Plaid**.*



Blood Drive: The Deacons have made the decision to postpone the Annual Blood Drive till later in the year. Anyone who wants to donate blood can do so at the Jewish Community Center, 345 Kane Blvd, Pittsburgh, PA 15243 at the following times: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm on Friday's April 3rd and 10th. Appointments to donate blood can be set up online. Just go to Vitalant.org or call 877-258-4825.

The Jewish Community Center is hosting blood drives in controlled and safe environments following CDC and Allegheny Guidelines.

Presbyterian Women- The Annual Rummage Sale has been cancelled for this year.

Weekly AA Meeting - AA is starting to hold "ZOOM" meetings this week. To Join Zoom Meeting, go to the website <https://zoom.us/j/aeGN4kUgeS> or the Zoom App on your phone.

Meeting ID: 306 983 003 Password: 019257

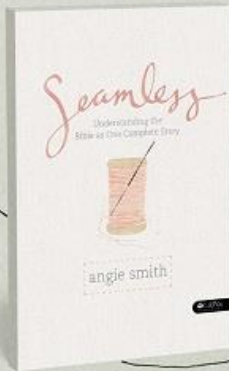


The Deacon, Session Teams and Session Meetings will be virtual this month. Please contact Beckie Price or Kevin Strouse for details.

The Men's Huddle Group is also continuing their studies online. Please contact Eric Gregory to join.



Everything you need
to piece together
the people, places,
and promises of the Bible.



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JOIN US for *Seamless*, a 7-session Bible study by Angie Smith!

Women's Bible Study
Fridays at 9:30am
Contact Judi @
412-527-8210

LifeWay | Women

Calendar:

Sunday, April 5 – Palm Sunday

9:30 AM – Sunday School, online

10:45 AM – Worship – Live Streamed

4:00 PM – BYG Jr. & Sr. High - Virtual

Monday, April 6

Pray for Randall & Darlene Shaffer

9:00 AM – Morning Prayer Call

7:00 PM – Deacon Meeting, Virtual

Tuesday, April 7

Pray for Sharon, Gabbie, Kyle, Bella & Ian Sharp

9:00 AM – Morning Prayer Call

Wednesday, April 8

Pray for Randi Shelton

9:00 AM – Morning Prayer Call

12:00 PM – BYG Virtual Prayer Lunch

Thursday, April 9 – Maundy Thursday

Pray for Kevin, Lora, Michael, Megan & Melina Shildt

9:00 AM – Morning Prayer Call

7:00 PM – Maundy Thursday Service – Watch Party

Friday, April 10 – Good Friday

Pray Tawyna & Andre Shrewsbury

9:00 AM – Morning Prayer Call

7:00 PM – Good Friday Service – Live Streamed

Saturday, April 11

Sunday, April 12 – Easter Sunday

6:45 AM – Sunrise Service at Melrose Cemetery

10:45 AM – Worship – Live Streamed

The Church Office will continue to be closed as per guidelines from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Employees are working from home. Please call the church office 412-221-5132 if you have any questions, leave a message and your call will be returned.

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE:

Finance Report: As of March 31, 2020

(\$)	2020 YTD	2019 YTD	+/-
Contributions*	129,174	140,935	(11,761)
General Fund Subsidies (transfers)	55,161	57,261	(2,100)
Investment Income**	(9,616)	10,249	(19,865)
Total General Fund Income	174,719	208,445	(33,726)
Year to Date Budget	196,120		
+/- Budget	(21,401)		

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

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

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Church Leadership for 2020:

Session: Tom Aspinall, Maxine Berton, Doug Bovard, Niki Ciaramella, Kara Julius, Terry Kohlmyer, Nina Morse, Barb Mours, Karin Nass, Jackie Nixon, Bill Paviol, Bill Pitzer, Ginger Platt, Bob Pulice, Dolly Rastetter, Sharon Salvini, Connie Segeleon, Edgar Shaffer, John Turnbull., Peggy Walsh and Ryan Wolstoncroft

Board of Deacons: Taylor Barbaryka, Kevin Cox, Clyde Davis, Gretchen DeRoss, Alice Eiszler, Judy Gastgeb, Karen Harkins, Janet Jones, Starr Lytle, Jim Mours, Nikki O'Brien, Greg Pitzer, Cat Price, Jeanine Rainone, Paul Rinald, Kevin Strouse, Michele Zwigart, Shawn Zwigart