



Cold Weather, Warm Hearts: II. The Joy of Waiting

SCOUT SUNDAY
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2026
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

"Symphony in D; Opus 11 No. 2, Movement 1"
by Chavalier de Saint-Georges

WELCOME

Pastor Brian Janssen

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Please Stand)*

Adith Loveson

Come, all who are weary and weighed down by worry.

We come seeking mercy, healing, and hope.

Come, all who wait in the long night of uncertainty.

We come trusting that God has not abandoned us.

Come, for God meets us in our weakness and lifts us with compassion.

Let us worship the God whose love never fails.

OPENING PRAYER

Srihan Bandlamudi

HYMN *(Please Stand)*

"Come Thou Fount"

No. 68

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1 Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise his name I'm fixed upon it, name of God's redeeming love.

2 Here I raise to thee an altar; hither by thy help I've come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, bought me with his precious blood.

3 O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

CALL TO CONFESSION *(Please be seated)*

Eric Lijo

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Advai Shyam

Merciful God, we confess that we often live as if hope is fragile and grace is scarce. We grow impatient when healing is slow, fearful when answers do not come quickly, and silent about the pain we carry. We trust our own strength more than your mercy and forget that you are near to the brokenhearted. Forgive us, restore us, and teach us again to wait with faith, to reach for you with courage, and to live as people made new by your compassion. Amen. *Silent Confession*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Eric Lijo

Hear the good news: God's mercy is not exhausted by our weakness, nor is God's love worn thin by our failures. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, healed, and made whole.

Thanks be to 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

Arvin Palanivel

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 SERMON

Debby Hayes

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Abinav Sakthi

FIRST READING

Lamentations 3:22-33

Asvin Palanivel

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), to give one's cheek to the smiter and be filled with insults. For the Lord will not reject forever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

SECOND READING

Mark 5:21-43

Pastor Brian Janssen

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him, and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue, named Jairus, came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live." So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians and had spent all that she had, and she was no better but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his cloak, I will be made well." Immediately her flow of blood stopped, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my cloak?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the

woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." While he was still speaking, some people came from the synagogue leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the synagogue leader, "Do not be afraid; only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the synagogue leader's house, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. Taking her by the hand, he said to her, "Talitha kum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl stood up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this and told them to give her something to eat.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

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WE RESPOND

WORDS OF GREETING FROM TROOP 2

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

"Blessed, How Blessed"

Bethany Choir

by David and Susan Cherwien; cpr 2019 Birnamwood Publications

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*)

"When Peace Like A River"

No. 428

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1 When peace like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well, with my soul

Refrain: It is well, With my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul

2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come let this blest assurance control
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, And hath shed His own blood for my soul
[Refrain]

3 My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
[Refrain]

4 And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a
scroll; the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend; Even so, it is well with my
soul. [Refrain]

BENEDICTION

CLOSING RESPONSE

"Go Now In Peace"

Bethany Choir

by Don Besig and Nancy Price; cpr 1988 Harold Flammer Music

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 Nick Crull, Jacob McGinn, Dhruv Manojanand, and Mikhail Zachariah.

The flowers are presented to the Glory of God by Karen Lucas in memory of Ryan Gricar.

Easter Flower orders must be in by March 1st!

The Service of Remembrance has been rescheduled for February 15th.

The Scouts who are reading during service today are:

Adith Loveson
Srihan Bandlamudi
Eric Lijo
Advai Shyam

Arvin Palanivel
Abinav Sakthi
Asvin Palanivel

PROGRAM AND EVENT NEWS

USHERS NEEDED – Ushers are needed for the Ash Wednesday service on February 18th at 7pm. If you are available, call or text Dale Anderson at 724-699-5631.

BETHANY YOUTH GROUP – Join us today at 12:00pm for our Superbowl Gameday party in the gym!

VBS – Save the date for VBS 2026 for June 15th – 19th from 9am – 12pm!

BLOOM WITH A TWIST - Starting February 19th at 6:30pm, join us for a time of sharing in art, fellowship, praying and worship music. Painting supplies will be available at the tables in the Welcome Center. We look forward to seeing you there!

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION – Preschool registration for the 2026/2027 school year is now open on our website! Contact Danielle Gioia at Gioia.preschool@gmail.com with any questions! We are so excited for the coming year!

ADULT UKULELE - Adult Ukulele continues on Thursdays at 10am.

HOT CHOCOLATE BAR - **The Membership Team** is holding a hot chocolate bar after each service on February 15th. Join us for a cup of hot chocolate, some cookies and fellowship.

BLOOM AND BETHANY CAFÉ – Bloom and Bethany Café begins again for the year! Our first event will be **Thursday, February 12th at 6:00pm!** There will be a catered dinner followed by a modern worship service for families! We are so excited to start this up again for the new year! We hope to see you there! **Sign up for the event on the signup sheets in the Welcome Center!**

UPWARD BASKETBALL - Upward Basketball at Bethany is underway! We have a record number of players registered this year. 306 players, ages K5 through 2nd grade, have begun practice with weekend games! The last game day of the season is **Saturday, February 28th**. We have a variety of ways you can help - from being on the courts as a referee, to running the scoreboard and clock, to making sure the players get their snack after their games. Please contact Beckie Price or Mike Suchoza for more information, or to let us know of your availability to help. Beckie can be emailed at upward@bethanypresby.org. Thank you!

HELP WANTED AT THE WELCOME DESK - Our Bethany Church Receptionist Desk is looking for PART TIME volunteers (male or female) to fill in for our regulars whenever they are unable to be at the desk. Help is needed **Monday – Friday: Morning - 9:00AM to 11:30AM & Afternoon - 11:30AM to 2:00PM** The Receptionist duties involve answering the telephone and greeting anyone whom may come in the door. Your free time at the desk can be spent reading, crocheting, knitting, watching a movie on your laptop etc. Occasionally we are asked to do a few desk duties to help out our church secretary. Whenever one of our regulars is not able to be at the desk, a notification is sent to Barb Crawford. If a request is made for help, a response to Barb is always preferred with either a YES or NO — no reason ever needed! Thank you!

MISSION NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE
CHURCH FINANCES AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 2026

Thank you for your continued support.

| | 2026 YTD (\$) | 2025 YTD (\$) | +/- (\$) |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Contributions* | \$ 52,421 | \$ 56,428 | \$(4,007) |
| General Fund Subsidies (Transfers) | 39,025 | 37,955 | 1,070 |
| Investment Income ** | 1,365 | 1,206 | 159 |
| Total General Fund Income | \$ 92,811 | \$ 95,589 | \$(2,779) |
| Year to Date Budget | 87,319 | | |



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| +/- Budget | \$ 5,492 | | |
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*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.

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms”. 1 Peter 4:10 calls us to action to share with others our God given talents and blessings. Let us receive His grace and strength so that we may glorify Him and serve generously.

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February Special Offering - Per Capita

The special offering envelope for February supports the 2026 Per Capita balance. This collection helps to defray the Per Capita cost that Bethany is required to remit to the Presbytery. The 2026 Per Capita amount is \$40.00. Online giver? Not receiving envelopes? You can still donate to this special offering either by selecting "Per Capita" in the online giving portal or noting that your donation is for Per Capita on your check or a pew envelope. Thank you for your contribution to the Per Capita Offering!

WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, February 8

8:15AM and 10:45AM – Worship
9:30AM - Sunday School
Youth and Adult Ukulele Practice after
the second service
12:00PM - BYG Superbowl Game Day

Monday, February 9

4:30PM - Upward Practice
6:30PM - Body Carpenter Workout
6:30PM - Men’s Huddle Group

Tuesday, February 10

4:30PM - Upward Practice
6:45PM – Session Teams Meeting
7:00PM – ALANON

Wednesday, February 11

11:30AM – Knitters
12:30PM - Hand Chimes
5:30PM - Upward Practice
6:30PM – Troop 2 Scouts
7:00PM – Choir Practice

Thursday, February 12

9:00AM – Morning Momco.
9:00AM – Quilters
12:00PM – Rotary
4:30PM - Upward Practice
6:00PM – Bloom and Café Bethany
7:00PM - Evening Momco.
7:00PM - Dartball
7:30PM – AA

Friday, February 13

Saturday, February 14

Upward GAMEDAY
8:00AM - Upward Picture Day
11:00AM - Knitters

Sunday, February 15

8:15AM and 10:45AM – Worship
9:30AM - Sunday School
Youth and Adult Ukulele Practice after
the second service
5:00PM - BYG Group Night