



“Long Live the King”

10:45

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2022

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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

Flute Piece

William Hine

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Welcome

Call to Worship *(Please Stand)*

Pastor Ellen Dawson

God calls to the lost, the least, and all who long for home;
**God calls when we wander from the path chosen for us
and waste the gifts we have been given.**
God calls and welcomes us back to worship this day;
**let us celebrate and rejoice in God's presence forever;
let us worship God together**

Opening Prayer *(Please Stand)*

Hymn *(Please Stand)*

"Crown Him With Many Crowns"

No. 317

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1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king
through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing
who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

3 Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified;
no angels in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bend their burning eyes
at mysteries so bright.

4 Crown him the Lord of years,
the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

Call to Confession

Pastor Ellen Dawson

Prayer of Confession

Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things we ask your forgiveness and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to You in our world. Remind us to be who You would have us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us
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

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

Pastor Ellen Dawson

First Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6 NRSV

Pastor Ellen Dawson

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear longer or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Hymn (Please Stand)

"At The Name of Jesus"

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1 At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every tongue confess him King of glory now. 'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

3 In your hearts enthrone him, there let him subdue, all that is not holy, all that is not true. Crown him as your sovereign in temptation's hour, let his will enfold you in its mighty power.

2 Humbled for a season to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom he came. Faithfully he bore it, spotless to the last, brought it back victorious when from death he passed.

4 Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again with the Father's glory, when he comes to reign. For all earthly powers soon to him must bow, so let us confess him King of glory now.

Second Reading

Luke 23:33-43 NRSV

Pastor Brian Janssen

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do

you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom.” He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Long Live the King”

Pastor Brian Janssen

WE RESPOND

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

**"Sing to the Lord!"
The Bethany Choir**

Deborah Govenor

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Sing to the Lord, bless His holy name; Sing to the Lord, hallelujah!
Sing to the Lord, bless His holy name,
and sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord!
Shout to the Lord, raise your songs of joy, Shout to the Lord, hallelujah!
Shout to the Lord, raise your songs of joy,
and sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord!
For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.
For all His works a song of thanksgiving we raise. Sing to the Lord....

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

COMMUNION

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: Holy God, we praise You. Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad. We bless You for creating the whole world, for Your promises to Your people Israel, and for Jesus Christ in whom Your fulness dwells. Born of Mary, He shares our life.

People: Eating with sinners, He welcomes us.

Leader: Guiding His children, He leads us.

People: Visiting the sick, He heals us.

Leader: Dying on the cross, He saves us.

People: Risen from the dead, He gives new life.

Leader: Therefore, we praise You, joining our voices with choirs of angels, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of Your name.

Sanctus

Unison: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. 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.

The Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer After Communion

WE ARE SENT

Hymn (*Please Stand*)

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

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1 All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall,
let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

2 Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
ye ransomed from the fall,
ye ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

3 Let every kindred, every tribe,
on this terrestrial ball,
on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

4 O that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall,
we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

Benediction (*Please Stand*)

Pastor Brian Janssen

Postlude

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PASTORAL CONCERNS

Alice Eiszler, Karen Lucas, Andrea Prohaska

PROGRAM AND EVENT NEWS

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – TODAY- The Annual Congregational Meeting of Bethany Presbyterian Church will be held today following the 10:45AM worship service for the purpose of electing Elders, Deacons, and Auditors, and to approve the Annual Terms of Call for the Rev. Dr. Brian Janssen. Please plan to attend this important business meeting

Slate of Candidates being presented by the Nominating Committee:

Elders – Class of 2025 (3 Year Term)

Kara Julius
Connie Segeleon
Alec Heiskell
Heather Lucas
Devin Underwood
Gary Phillips
Jeremy Hall

Deacons- Class of 2025 (3 Year Term)

Alice Eiszler
Nikki O'Brien
Jaymi Neely
Dick Pyle
Sarah Paviol
Karen Lucas

Elders -Class of 2024 (2 Year Term)

Tom Willhite

Auditors- Class of 2025 (3 Year Term)

Eric Gregory
Doug Bovard

Elders – Class of 2023 (1 Year Term)

Debby Hayes

Auditors- Class of 2023 (1 Year Term)

Melanie Bedner

2023 Terms of Call for the Rev. Dr. Brian Janssen

Salary \$60,696
Housing \$25,000
SECA \$6,556
BOP Pension & Medical \$33,421
Medical deductible \$1,714
Study Leave/Continuing Education allowance (vouchered) \$ 2,000
Professional/business allowance (vouchered) \$4,000
Two weeks of study leave (14 days including two Sundays)
Four weeks of vacation (including 4 Sundays)

URBAN IMPACT CHRISTMAS SHOW – Dec 2nd and 3rd. You are invited to support our mission partners, Urban Impact, by attending their annual Christmas Show. "Light the Night" will be presented on Friday, 12/2 & Saturday, 12/3 at 7:00pm at Christ Church at Grove Farm. This Christmas celebration event is free and it features multiple Performing Arts groups consisting of students uniquely telling the story of Christ's birth through art, instrumental music, singing and dance. More information about the program is available at <https://uifpgh.org/performing-arts/>.

SANTA'S SHOP - Saturday, December 3rd, from 5-8pm for children ages 4 and older. There is no cost for the event, just whatever spending money you'd like to send your child with to shop for gifts for their family. Kids will rotate between stations including, pizza dinner, shopping at our Bethany Santa's Shop, and Christmas movies with our Bethany 'concession stand'. *WE NEED VOLUNTEERS*. Please consider helping as a volunteer for this special children's event. Volunteers are requested from 4:30-8:30pm. Register on our website.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY CHRISTMAS GATHERING – Dec 10th. Women's Ministry Annual Christmas Gathering will be held on Saturday 12/10 from 2pm – 4pm in Fellowship Hall. This event will feature a Cookie Exchange and a Favorite Things Exchange. There is a sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center for the type of cookie you will be bringing. Once we know how many people are participating, we will be in touch with how many cookies to bring.

NEWS FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST

A BIG THANK YOU to all the people who ushered this past year. These men and women have appeared on their designated Sundays and served our church faithfully and without complaint. They did this with a smile and a friendly greeting. They personified Galatians 5:13.....serve one another in love.....The Worship Committee thanks you. If you would like to usher and serve Bethany on a particular Sunday for 2023, please call Judy Davidson at 412-343-7530.

WORSHIP AND WONDER – children 4 years old through 3rd grade are welcome to follow the Worship and Wonder teachers to the classroom (rm 234) after the children's sermon each week during our 10:45am service. Teen helpers 6th grade and older may attend if they have registered with Debby Hayes first.

MISSION NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

ANGEL TREES

For the Southwood Boys – Angels are available in the Welcome Center for gifts for the Southwood Boys. The Deacons will be hosting a Christmas Party for the boys on December 17 from 12:00pm – 2:00pm at the church.

Food Bank Angel Tree- Angels for our Food Bank Children are available in the Welcome Center. Please have your gifts/donations to the church by December 11th – unwrapped with the angel attached.

PRAYERS FOR OUR MISSIONS – The Fellowship of Prayer is targeting prayers each month for missions we support. For the month of November, we are asking for prayers for the Malawi Chiradzulu CCAP, Camp Crestfield, and the Washington City Mission's Avis Arbor Women's & Children's Shelter.

SARRIS CANDY – Proceeds from Sarris Candy sales in the month of November will be going towards supporting Presbyterian Disaster Relief (PDA) for the Florida Hurricane victims.

CHURCH FINANCES AS OF NOVEMBER 13, 2022:

	2022 YTD (\$)	2021 YTD (\$)	+/- (\$)
Contributions*	\$489,906	\$450,293	\$39,614
General Fund Subsidies (Transfers)	302,518	193,064	109,454
Investment Income **	(36,429)	18,770	(55,198)
Total General Fund Income	\$755,995	\$662,126	\$93,869
Year to Date Budget	791,894		
+/- Budget	\$ (35,898)		

*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.

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, Nov 20

8:15AM and 10:45AM– Worship
9:30AM – Sunday School
11:45AM – Annual Congregational Meeting

Monday, Nov 21

7:00PM – Body Carpenter Workout

Tuesday, Nov 22

9:00AM – PW Seated Workout
6:00PM – Coed Dartball
6:30PM – Men's Huddle

Wednesday, Nov 23

Thursday, Nov 24

THANKSGIVING

Friday, Nov 25
CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED

Saturday, Nov 26
DIAPER BANK
11:30AM - Knitters

Sunday, Nov 27
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
8:15AM and 10:45AM– Worship
9:30AM – Sunday School