



The Heart of a Father

SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2026
10:00AM

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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

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

arr. Hal H. Hopson; cpr 1983 Harold Flammer, Inc

WELCOME

Pastor Brian Janssen

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Please Stand*)

Pastor Brian Janssen

Come, all who are weary from wandering and all who have remained faithful through long seasons.

We come seeking the grace and mercy of God.

Come, all who have known failure and all who have known success.

We come trusting not in ourselves, but in God's steadfast love.

God welcomes the lost, restores the broken, and rejoices over every life renewed.

We gather to worship the One whose mercy is greater than our mistakes and whose love never lets us go.

Let us worship God.

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Brian Janssen

HYMN (*Please Stand*)

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

No. 23

- 1 All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing Alleluia, Alleluia!
O burning sun with golden beam, and silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
- 2 O rushing winds that art so strong, you clouds that sail in Heaven along, O praise him,
Alleluia! O rising morn, in praise rejoice, O lights of evening, find a voice.
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
- 3 O flowing water, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to hear, Alleluia, Alleluia!
O fire so masterful and bright providing us with warmth and light
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
- 4 All you who are of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part, sing praises, Alleluia!
All you who pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on him cast your care:
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

CALL TO CONFESSION (*Please be seated*)

Pastor Brian Janssen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor Brian Janssen

Merciful God, We confess that we often seek life on our own terms rather than trusting your wisdom and guidance. We turn away from you in ways both obvious and hidden. We cling to pride, nurture resentments, and withhold the grace we ourselves have received. Forgive us for the times we have wandered from your

**purposes. Forgive us for the times we have judged others more harshly than we judge ourselves. Forgive us for forgetting that every good gift comes from your hand. Restore in us a spirit of humility and gratitude. Teach us to rejoice when others experience your mercy. Renew us by your love, and lead us into the freedom and joy of life with you.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor Brian Janssen

Hear the good news: God's mercy is not earned; it is given. God's forgiveness is not limited by our failures, nor exhausted by our wandering. In Jesus Christ, we are welcomed, restored, and made new. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. 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

Pastor Brian Janssen

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

"God Is"

VBS Anthem

by Sam Mizell; Rainforest Falls VBS 2026; cpr 2025 Group Publishing

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Pastor Brian Janssen

FIRST READING

Joshua 5:9-12

Pastor Brian Janssen

The Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal, they kept the Passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and roasted grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

SECOND READING

Luke 15:11-32

Pastor Chris Atwood

Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the wealth that will belong to me.' So he divided his assets between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant region, and there he squandered his wealth in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that region, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the

citizens of that region, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, and no one gave him anything. But when he came to his senses he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." ' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate, for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field, and as he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command, yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your assets with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.' "

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Heart of a Father

Pastor Chris Atwood

WE RESPOND

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

"Perfectly Loved"

**Vocalists: Ashley and
Hannah Farabaugh**

by Andrew Ripp, Ethan Hulse, & Rachael Lampa; © Be Essential SongsHulse House MusicMamaKnowsMusicSongs By Fishbone

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*)

“This is My Father's World”

No. 21

1 This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas His hand the wonders wrought.

2 This is our Father's world: O let us not forget that though the wrong is great and strong, God is the ruler yet. He trusts us with his world, to keep it clean and fair- all earth and trees, all skies and seas, all creatures everywhere.

3 This is my Father's world: he shines in all that's fair; in the rustling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me everywhere. This is my Father's world: why should my heart be sad? The Lord is King, let heaven ring! God reigns; let earth be glad!

BENEDICTION

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.

NEWS FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST

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

The flowers are presented to the Glory of God by Steve and Cathy Smith.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Marge Jablonski, who joined the Church Triumphant on June 11, 2026. She was a beloved member of our church family. A memorial service will be held at Bethany Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, June 24 at 11:00am followed by refreshments at 12:00pm.

A huge thank you to everyone who had a hand in making VBS happen this year! Every child who walked through that door experienced the love of Jesus. This is a big deal and your love and care for these children has an eternal impact. Thank you so much for all of your help and dedication. A job well done with eternal results. To celebrate we are having a Strawberry Shortcake reception after the second service today.

PROGRAM AND EVENT NEWS

BETHANY CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE – Our next Blood Drive is scheduled for **Sunday, June 28, 2026, from 8:30am-1:30pm. OUR BLOOD DRIVE GOAL IS 18 DONORS!!!** We currently have 12 scheduled donors. We are hoping for 6 more to call and schedule your appt ASAP! If you can, would you please help this happen? Schedule your appointment ASAP to select a donation time that is best for you. Posters are at each door entrance with details or call 1-877-25VITAL to schedule your appointment and at vitalant.org provides a lot of information about donations and the urgent need. Thank you!

MUSIC MINISTRY - Sacred Music Sampling Classes start June 30th that we'd love to share with you! All ages are welcome to attend the class, though children must have a parent/guardian present. During this class, we will check out the different percussion instruments we use during Worship at Bethany! Come and make a joyful (and probably loud noise!) to praise the Lord! Meet us at **11am in the Sanctuary on June 30** to have some music fun!

Bell Tree Hour- Check out our new instrument technique! Pick up a few mallets and learn to play! Our hand bells will hang from a tree and during this class, you will learn to strike the bells with your mallets to make a joyful and beautiful noise to the Lord! Meet us in the choir room Wednesday mornings in July, at 9am (with the exclusion of July 15)

Creatives in the Chapel- Join us in the Chapel and Welcome Center on Thursday mornings in July to hear about some of our members' incredible talents and how God has worked through their creativity! July 2- Tim Anderson and Sharon Salvini- Photography; July 9- Joe Oyler- Writing (and a presentation of his book and it's Epilogue, Almost Forgotten, which is written about the men from Bridgeville and South Fayette that gave their lives while serving in the military); July 23- Joe Oyler- Mountain Dulcimer Music Demo; July 30- Bonnie Hendershot- Song Writing
Look for our fliers and online media for upcoming news on these incredible events!

PART-TIME POSITION - We are looking for a Part-Time Custodian! Interested applicants can email their resume to finance@bethanypresby.org. See our website for more details.

NEW BIBLE STUDY - What if Bible study felt less like a lecture and more like a conversation? Join us for Notes in the Margin, a welcoming, discussion-based Bible study where we explore Scripture, ask questions, and grow in faith together. Whether you're new to faith, returning after time away, or looking to deepen your walk with God, you're invited.

Bi-weekly meetings beginning Tuesday, July 14th from 6:30 to 7:30PM

Bring your Bible, your questions, and an open heart. No expertise required!

BLOOM AND CAFÉ BETHANY – Join us for our next Bloom and Café Bethany event on **Thursday, June 25th at 6:00pm!** There will be a catered dinner followed by a **modern worship service for families at 7:00 pm!** We hope to see you there! Please sign up for the event on the signup sheets in the Welcome Center!

USHERS NEEDED – Ushers are need for the summer months. If you are available, call or text Dale Anderson at 724-699-5631.

JOIN THE BETHANY AUDIO & VIDEO TEAM - Have you ever wondered how we operate our soundboard or record our services with video cameras? Volunteers are needed to support each service here at Bethany and we would love to have you join our audio & video tech team! This important ministry is another way to offer your God given talents to support the services and mission here at Bethany. No experience is necessary, we can teach you everything! Talk to any one of us after a service or Call or text Mike Segeleon at 412-389-0985 or email msegeleon@msn.com.

DEBBY HAYES PLAY AND PRAY – Great news! From **June 28th through July 26th** all children can leave after the Children's Sermon and go to the Worship and Wonder room for **Play and Pray!**

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!

SECRET SISTERS LUNCHEON – Join us on **June 28th in Fellowship Hall at 11am** for our Summer Secret Sisters Luncheon! Great food and great fun will be had! Don't forget to show love to your Secret Sister with cards, gifts, and treats! This makes it all the more special for the reveal at the end of the year. See you there!

DIAMOND DOTS AND DEVOTIONS – The Women's Ministry will be having a craft night! **Wednesday, June 24th at 6:30pm** we will make a craft and children are welcome to attend and make a craft of their own! Come for a night of fun, crafts, and cookies!

POPSICLE POP-UP! – On **July 12th** we will have a Popsicle Pop Up at **11am in the Welcome Center!** Join us for a sweet time and a sweet treat for the summer!

GOLDEN OLDIES TRIP – The Golden Oldies are going to see **JOSHUA** at the Sight and Sound Theater **September 9th and 10th** so mark your calendars! During the trip they will experience Turkey Hill Ice Cream and Lab as well as the Dutch Apple Dinner and Show of "Pretty Woman". Call Carole Aspinall at 412-833-8114 for details and any questions.



Bethany Presbyterian Annual Golf Outing



Saturday June 27th Calling All Golfers!

You're invited to attend Bethany's annual golf outing on Saturday at Fort Cherry Golf Club. Whether you're a foursome, pair or single player – all are welcome. Please join us for a great day of fellowship and golf. We'll be using a scramble format and traditional tee times beginning at @ 9:44 through 11:30am with lunch beginning at 3:30pm.

- Where: Fort Cherry Golf Course
- When: Sat June 27th tee times @ 9:44-11:30 am
- Why: **Great time with friends!**
- What: \$ 85 gets you Golf & BBQ Lunch afterwards

Don't delay – sign up TODAY!

Registering your team and/or paying is super easy! You can now register online via www.Bethanypresby.org and then make a payment for \$88 or you can write a check to Bethany Presbyterian c/o Golf outing for \$85 and put it in the offering plate on Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact one of the below Golf committee members:

Ron Gastgeb	rcgastgeb@verizon.net	412 953 – 7987
Bill Paviol	paviol@yahoo.com	412 722 – 3102
Bill Just	bjust@chubb.com	412 417 – 0089

Your Registration & Payment are needed by Sunday June 21st

Golfer Names: _____ Team Name: _____
 Name1: _____ Name2: _____
 Name3: _____ Name4: _____
 Team Captain's or your e-mail: _____

A GREAT FATHERS DAY GIFT! ALL GOLFERS WELCOME!

**THIS IS AN ALL CHURCH GOLF OUTING! WOMEN, CHILDREN, MEN,
GRANDPARENTS AND GRANDKIDS ARE ALL WELCOME!!!**

BRIDGEVILLE BIRTHDAY - This year the BCA will help host a nine-day celebration from Saturday **July 18th** to **Sunday July 26**.

- **July 18th** 5k race 8:15 am at Bridgeville Fire Department 5pm Roaring 20s dinner dance (costumes encouraged)
- **July 19th** 12:30pm Parade from Bethany Church to Commercial Street The ecumenical services at Triangle Park 2:00 to 5:00 pm
- **July 20th** Live entertainment - artisan tent - contests- food court - food trucks - Black Smith demonstration - Commercial Street from 5 pm to 10 pm
- **July 21st** Live entertainment - artisan tent - contests- food court - food trucks - Black Smith demonstration Commercial Street from 5 pm to 10 pm
- **July 22nd** Live entertainment - artisan tent - contests - food court - food trucks - Commercial Street- 125 minutes of free ice cream cones at the Dari Delite starting at 4:30 and the carnival from 5 pm to 10 pm
- **July 23rd** Live entertainment - artisan tent - contests - food court - food trucks - Commercial Street - carnival from 5 pm to 10 pm
- **July 24th** Live entertainment - artisan tent - contests - food court - food trucks- Commercial Street - carnival from 5 pm to 10 pm Comedy Show doors open at 6 pm.
- **July 25th** Co-ed Softball tournament starts at 8 am at Chartiers Park - from 5 pm to 10 pm Live entertainment - artisan tent - contests - food court - food trucks - Commercial Street - carnival
- **July 26th** Softball tournament starts at 10 pm at Chartiers Park.

Detailed information for dance, comedy club tickets, registrations for the 5k race, sign-up sheets for the contests and all the celebration's activities can be found at the Bridgeville.org website. In addition, the Bridgeville Community Association (BCA) will have a booth set up at Bridgeville Day on the Avenue on June 20th with sign-up sheets for the contests, Bridgeville Cookbook's and Bridgeville T-Shirts and Hoodies for sale, along with tickets for the Roaring 20s dinner dance and for Comedy Show. Please come and visit our booth.

MISSION NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

WV MISSIONS TRIP - Mark your calendars, the 2026 Summersville, WV trip mission work week (WVMWAW) will be from Sunday June 28th through Friday July 3rd. Anyone 12 and older are welcome! This is a great mission for youth who are out of school for the summer. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact Doug Bovard at dbovard@verizon.net 412-979-9324, Connie Segeleon at conniesege@gmail.com 412-855-6829, or Mike Segeleon at msegeleon@msn.com 412-389-0985.

CHURCH FINANCES AS OF JUNE 14, 2026

Thank you for your continued support.

	2026 YTD (\$)	2025 YTD (\$)	+/- (\$)
Contributions*	\$ 253,775	\$ 252,940	\$ 835
General Fund Subsidies (Transfers)	175,585	178,468	(2,883)
Investment Income **	7,099	6,875	223
Total General Fund Income	\$ 436,458	\$ 438,283	\$(1,825)
Year to Date Budget	427,356		
+/- Budget	\$ 9,102		

*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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June Special Offering - Vacation Bible School

The special offering envelope for June supports Vacation Bible School. Online giver? Not receiving envelopes? You can still donate to this special offering either by selecting "Vacation Bible School" in the online giving portal or noting that your donation is for VBS on your check or a pew envelope. Thank you for your contribution to this great program for the youth of Bethany and the community!

WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, June 21

Father's Day

8:15AM and 10:00AM – Worship

Monday, June 22

4:30PM - Body Carpenter Workout

6:30PM - Men's Huddle Group

Tuesday, June 23

9:30AM – Choral Courtyard

7:00PM – Session Meeting

7:00PM – ALANON

Wednesday, June 24

11:30AM – Knitters

12:00PM - Chimes

6:30PM – Diamond Dots and Devotions

Thursday, June 25

9:00AM – Quilters

12:00PM – Rotary

3:00PM - Adult Ukulele

6:00PM – Bloom and Café Bethany

7:30PM – AA

Friday, June 26

Saturday, June 27

Annual Golf Outing

DIAPER BANK

Sunday, June 28

BLOOD DRIVE

11:00AM - Secret Sisters Luncheon

8:15AM and 10:00AM – Worship