



More Than Conquerors

Youth Sunday

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 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

"Redeemer"

Soloist: Jenna Foltz

by Nicole Mullen; (Admin. by Fun Attic Music, LLC) Curb Wordspring Music (Admin. by W.C.M. Music Corp.)

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP *(Please Stand)*

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's power!

We come to worship the One who clothes us in truth and grace.

Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may stand firm.

We stand together, strengthened by faith and peace.

In every struggle, seen and unseen

We are more than conquerors through the One who loves us.

We come with courage, hope, and praise!

Let us worship God!

OPENING PRAYER

SONG *(Please Stand)*

"That's Who I Praise"

by Brandon Lake, Benjamin Hastings, Micah Nichols, Steven Furtick, Zac Lawson; © Also Also Industries Publishing; Brandon Lake Music; Music by Elevation Worship Publishing

Verse 1 I wanna dance like David, I wanna faith like Paul, I wanna sing like Silas tearing down the prison walls. I wanna face that fire, It won't burn me though, God's got my back Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego

Verse 2 I wanna walk like Moses, Right through the waves. One day I'll see that promise land, no longer slaves. Though the fear is talkin', no it can't take out my faith

Chorus 1 I'm gonna praise I'm gonna praise I praise the mountain movin' Body raising breaker of chains Gonna praise I'm gonna praise I praise the heaven seated Undeclared highest of names That's who I praise hey That's who I praise that's who I praise

Verse 3 I wanna gift like Mary, I wanna break my vase, I wanna sleep like Daniel even in a lion's cave. I'm gonna get that promise, just like Jericho Yeah, I know what'll make it fall

Chorus 2 I'm gonna praise (I'm gonna praise) I praise the mountain movin' Body raising breaker of chains, Gonna praise, I'm gonna praise, I praise the heaven seated undefeated highest of names. That's who I praise hey. I praise the God who's proven He can do impossible things. That's who I praise hey, that's who I praise, that's who I praise

Bridge He is the Lion of Judah He is the Lamb that was slain The only One who's worthy worthy Worthy of all of His names that's who I praise He is the risen Messiah He is the Ancient of Days The only one who's worthy worthy Worthy of all of His names that's who I praise (Chorus 2)

Verse 4 I wanna love like Jesus that kinda grace I wanna live like I've got no more precious time to waste I'm gonna give him glory With all my thanks 'Cause there's no greater stronger higher name And that's who I praise

CALL TO CONFESSION (*Please be seated*)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God calls us to stand strong, but we confess that we do not always stand firm. There are times when we forget to trust in God's strength and rely only on our own. We leave ourselves unguarded without truth, without peace, and without faith. Yet even now, God invites us to come honestly, not in fear, but in hope. For the One who loves us does not turn away from us. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sins together. *Silent Confession*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news: If God is for us, who can be against us? In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, restored, and made new. No failure, no fear, no power in all creation can separate us from the love of God. Through Christ, we are not just forgiven, we are more than conquerors. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God!**

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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Ephesians 6:10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore, take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

SECOND READING

Romans 8:31-39

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD "More Than Conquerors"

YOUTH TESTIMONIES

WE RESPOND

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

"Gratitude"

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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

SONG *(Please Stand)*

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Verse 1 When my hope and strength is gone. You're the one who calls me on.
You are the life, You are the fight, That's in my soul

Verse 2 Oh Your resurrection pow'r Burns like fire in my heart When waters rise I lift my
eyes up to Your throne

Chorus We are more than conquerors through Christ You have overcome this world
this life We will not bow to sin or to shame We are defiant in Your name You are the fire
that cannot be tamed You are the power in our veins. Our Lord our God our conqueror

Verse 3 I will sing into the night Christ is risen and on high Greater is He Living in me
than in the world

Verse 4 No surrender no retreat We are free and we're redeemed We will declare Over
despair You are the hope (Chorus)

Bridge Nothing is impossible. Ev'ry chain is breakable With You we are victorious You
are stronger than our hearts You are greater than the dark With You we are victorious
(repeat Bridge) (Chorus)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"More Than Conquerors" (Reprise)

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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

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are dedicated to the youth involved in Youth Sunday. We love and appreciate their hard work and dedication to this service. Each of the participants, along with the youth leaders, are encouraged to take a yellow flower home with them to signify the strong friendships made through Bethany Youth Group.

A special thanks to our youth; soloist: Jenna Foltz; Bloom musicians; and guest percussionist, Nicholas Reidmiller, for leading our music in worship today. We are blessed by your gifts! Welcome our guest percussionist, Nicholas Reidmiller. He is a recent graduate of WLU, and instructs and writes for various marching band programs in the Mid-Ohio Valley. He spends his free time performing and writing music, from chamber repertoire to the DIY underground scene.

PROGRAM AND EVENT NEWS

VBS REGISTRATION – Hooray! VBS registration is now open for children age 4 up to those who will enter 6th grade in the fall. Older children & adults can register as volunteers through the link on our website. Please register by signing up in the Welcome Center, reaching out to Celina Farabaugh at 724-554-6370, or by clicking the link on our website! We can't wait!

YOUTH SUNDAY is TODAY! Bethany Youth Group is so excited to take over both Sunday morning services! We invite everyone to join us downstairs after the 10:45am service for a Fellowship Luncheon of Salad, Soup, and Sandwiches! Be on the lookout for Constant Contact emails with links to the songs we will be singing!

BLOOM AND CAFÉ BETHANY – Join us for our next Bloom and Café Bethany event on **Thursday, May 14th 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!

DEACONS SOUTHWOOD BOYS HOME COLLECTION -The Deacons recently learned that the Southwood Boys Home residents love blankets and throws and there is always a need for more of them. If you would like to help them with these items, there will be a basket and/or bin located in the Welcome Center to collect these blankets or throws (new only). It's another way Bethany can help support the residents with some additional comfort and love.

BETHANY YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULES for May are now available in the Welcome Center! Make sure to grab one as well as a Youth Authorization form if planning to attend the Paintball outing on May 17th!

WILD AT HEART MEN'S FIRES - Inspired by the book Wild at Heart by John Eldredge, Josh Gardner is hosting a biweekly men's fire every other Wednesday night starting at 5:30pm. An opportunity for men to come together, share their stories, have a good laugh, and bring Proverbs 27:17 (Iron sharpens Iron) into their lives on a regular basis. The upcoming dates are April 29th, May 13th, and May 27th. If you have any questions contact Josh at 412 855 9029.

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!

SAVE THE DATE – For the **All Church Golf Outing** for **Saturday June 27th**! **All are welcome!** Men, Women and children (father-son, father-daughter, grandfather-grandkids mother-child) Contact Bill Paviol with any questions at 412-722-3102.

GOLDEN OLDIES – Bethany Golden Oldies are taking a trip July 30th to Ohio to see a "Tribute to Johnny Cash". We would love to have you come with us! Please contact Carole Aspinall at 412-833-8114.

MISSION NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE
CHURCH FINANCES AS OF APRIL 19, 2026

Thank you for your continued support.

	2026 YTD (\$)	2025 YTD (\$)	+/- (\$)
Contributions*	\$ 175,813	\$ 173,517	\$ 2,296
General Fund Subsidies (Transfers)	117,075	113,865	3,210
Investment Income **	3,830	3,268	563
Total General Fund Income	\$ 296,718	\$ 290,650	\$ 6,068
Year to Date Budget	286,803		
+/- Budget	\$ 9,915		



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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.

April Special Offerings – Bethany Education Fund and Children / Youth Ministry Programs - The special offering envelopes for April support the Bethany Education Fund and Children / Youth Ministry Programs. The Bethany Education Fund provides scholarships to Bethany high school seniors pursuing post-secondary education or training, and the Children / Youth Ministry Programs collection supports events provided for the children and youth of Bethany and the community. You can still donate to these special offerings either by selecting "Bethany Education Fund" or "Children / Youth Programs" in the online giving portal or noting that your donation is for the Bethany Education Fund or Children / Youth Programs on your check or a pew envelope. Thank you for your contribution to these valuable scholarship and discipleship programs for the youth of Bethany!

WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, April 26

YOUTH SUNDAY

8:15AM and 10:45AM – Worship
9:30AM – Sunday School
12:00PM - Fellowship Luncheon

Monday, April 27

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

Tuesday, April 28

7:00PM – Session Meeting
7:00PM – ALANON

Wednesday, April 29

11:30AM – Knitters
12:30PM – Hand Chimes
6:30PM - Troop 2 Scouts

7:00PM - Choir Practice

Thursday, April 30

9:00AM – Quilters
10:00AM – Adult Ukulele
12:00PM – Rotary
6:30PM – Bloom
7:30PM – AA

Friday, May 1

Saturday, May 2

Sunday, May 3

COMMUNION SUNDAY

8:15AM and 10:45AM – Worship
9:30AM – Sunday School
Ukulele practice after the second service