

Announcements

Join us the
Second Sunday
of
every month!

Hour of PRAYER & PRAISE

Tonight
6:00pm
Life In Christ Church Fellowship Hall
51 Hillmond Street Bethlehem, PA 18018

**Scripture & Testimony
Sharing**

*"Glorify the Lord with me; let us
exalt His name together."
~Psalm 34:3*

Membership & Church Information Class

Saturday, October 17th
1:00pm – 4:00pm in Fellowship Hall

- What does this church believe?
- What is the leadership structure here?
- How do I get involved?



*Join us as we answer these
questions and many more!!*



**don't be
left out...**

Sign up!

Contact Us

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we desire to see people..

*entering new life in Christ,
embracing life-principles of Christ, and
empowered for life service by Christ*

October 11, 2026

Elders

Pastor Norman Carlisle Lead Pastor

Rev. Mike Henderson Associate Pastor

Martin Rosario

Jamie Sumner

Enoch Whipple

Ministers:

ALL BELIEVERS

Youth Director/

Assistant to the Pastor

Tim Corbett

Deacons

James Odinyo Lead Deacon

Alexander Algard

Hannah Bovard

Micah Carlisle

Tim Corbett

Brock Nearhoof

Kriss Olivo



Current Series:
**The Book of
Judges**
In Fellowship Hall

Lifeynary
Theology learned and lived!
9:30am
for all ages

Current Series:
**Evangelical
Theology**
In Youth Room

Worship Service

10:30am

- Fellowship (in Fellowship hall)
- Welcome & Announcements Ben Bovard
- Opening Song Music Team
- Scripture Reading & Prayer Ben Bovard
- Message Norman Carlisle
- Communion
- Praise & Ministry Music Team
- Closing Prayer Ben Bovard

**additional seating available downstairs in the Fellowship Hall*

Children's Info

Infants & Nursing Mothers -
Nursery Downstairs under Foyer

Children's Church (18mo - 6th grade) -
Check in available Upstairs Classrooms

Offering



If you would like to give an **Offering** today, please place it in one of the boxes in the **Sanctuary** with your name clearly printed on your envelope. You can also give **Online** through the church **Website** or **App**.

The Week Ahead...



Sunday, October 11th

Sunday School - 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday Morning Service - 10:30am in the Sanctuary
Hospitality Meeting - noon in the Fellowship Hall
Card Making Class - 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall
Prayer & Praise Night - 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall

Monday, October 12th

Elder Book Study - 6:00pm in Room 33
Elder/Deacon Prayer & Meeting - 7:00pm in Room 33

Tuesday, October 13th

AWANA - 6pm at the church

Wednesday, October 14th

Pastor's Meeting - noon in the Fellowship Hall
Foundation Youth - 7pm in the Youth Room

Thursday, October 15th

Men's Ministry Study - 7:30pm in the Fellowship Hall

Friday, October 16th

No Events

Saturday, October 17th

Membership Class - 1pm in Room 35
Music Practice - 6pm in the Sanctuary

Matthew 27:24 (NASB)

24 Now when Pilate saw that he was accomplishing nothing, but rather that a riot was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this Man's blood; you yourselves shall see."

Discussion Guide

Date: October 11, 2026

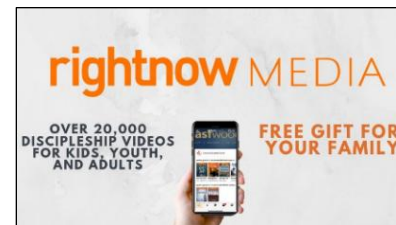
Sermon Title:

“A King On Trial: What’s Your Verdict?”



More about Home Groups...

We encourage everyone to be a part of a small group community to deepen your relationship with Christ and His church. If you’re interested in knowing more, please check the website or contact the Church Office.



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SCRIPTURE REFERENCES (NASB unless otherwise noted)

Matthew 27:11-26

11 Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor questioned Him, saying, "So You are the King of the Jews?" And Jesus said to him, "It is as you say."

12 And while He was being accused by the chief priests and elders, He did not offer any answer.

13 Then Pilate said to Him, "Do You not hear how many things they are testifying against You?"

14 And still He did not answer him in regard to even a single charge, so the governor was greatly amazed.

15 Now at the Passover Feast the governor was accustomed to release for the people any one prisoner whom they wanted.

16 And at that time they were holding a notorious prisoner called Barabbas.

17 So when the people gathered together, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you: Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?"

18 For he knew that it was because of envy that they had handed Him over.

19 And while he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent him a message, saying, "See that you have nothing to do with that righteous Man; for last night I suffered greatly in a dream because of Him."

20 But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas, and to put Jesus to death.

21 And the governor said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas."

22 Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said, "Crucify Him!"

23 But he said, "Why, what evil has He done?" Yet they kept shouting all the more, saying, "Crucify Him!"

24 Now when Pilate saw that he was accomplishing nothing, but rather that a riot was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this Man's blood; you yourselves shall see."

25 And all the people replied, "His blood shall be on us and on our children!"

26 Then he released Barabbas for them; but after having Jesus flogged, he handed Him over to be crucified.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCES

Luke 23:2

OPENING DISCUSSION

1. What was the main thing you learned from the sermon?
2. What questions do you have about anything that was raised during the message?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the most famous trial you remember?
2. Do you agree that it is impossible to stay neutral about Jesus? Why or why not?
3. Respond to these statements from the message:
 - But not making a decision is a decision.
 - Not choosing is a choice.
 - And trying to stay neutral about Christ is to render a verdict!
4. In what ways did Pilate try to remain neutral about Jesus?
5. How does knowing some of the background of Pilate help you as you hear the story of the trial of Jesus?
6. What are some ways people try to avoid being known as "too religious."
7. What are some ways people try to avoid being morally responsible to Christ?
8. Why might the people want Barabbas to be released instead of Jesus?
9. Why should Christians not use verse 25 to indict Jewish people and blame them for the death of Christ?
10. How can you deepen your loyalty and submission to Jesus as King of your life?