

## The Lord's Day – November 29, 2020

You must be born again.  
John 3:7b (NKJV)

### SUNDAY SCHOOL **9:45 AM**

Kurt Harding, Superintendent; David O'Brian, Asst. Superintendent

All are invited to attend these Bible classes for all ages.

**SS quarter:** September – November

Pre-Primary: God Gives Life  
Junior High: Guided by God  
Teens: Esther  
Timothy: War of Words  
Ambassador: Zechariah

Sandy Rising  
Rachel Delanoy  
Wayne Iddings  
Kurt Harding  
George Snyder

### MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE **11:00 AM**

† Welcome & Announcements ..... Bob Dean  
Call to Worship ..... Acts 16:31  
Invocation  
\* Hymn #405 ..... My Faith Has Found a Resting Place  
Scripture Reading ..... Psalm 1  
Pastoral Prayer  
Offertory ..... Rachel Delanoy, Steven McElwain, Jr.  
Message: You Must Be Born Again ..... John 3:1-8  
\* Hymn #201 ..... Grace Greater Than Our Sin  
Closing Prayer

\* singing if we maintain 12' distance between singers † Children's Church dismissal

### EVENING SERVICE **6:00 PM**

Welcome  
\* Hymn #478 ..... Soldiers of Christ, Arise  
Prayer  
\* Hymn #502 ..... In Heavenly Love Abiding  
Offertory  
Message ..... Knowing the Truth (Deuteronomy 18:1-22)  
Closing Prayer

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Nominating Committee (Bob Dean, Kevin Wood, Zach Harding, Alysha Howard, Jason Rising) is accepting names for offices through December 1. Offices to fill at the annual meeting: Deacon (1), clerk, assistant clerk, treasurer, assistant treasurer, Bible school superintendent, assistant Bible school superintendent, chief usher, assistant chief usher, auditing committee, nursery superintendent, assistant nursery superintendent, sports committee, and sunshine committee.

If you have any directory updates, please send them to Pastor Rising. If you want an updated picture, let him know as well. We will target republishing this sometime in January 2021.

If you are interested in viewing at Bethel Baptist Church a Sight & Sound Christmas presentation "Voices of Christmas," please let Wayne Iddings know (Fridays 12/4, 12/11, or 12/18 – 7 PM).

### THIS WEEK

Tuesday ..... Deacons' Meeting (7 PM)  
Wednesday ..... Bible Study & Prayer (7 PM)

### LOOKING AHEAD

December 6 (Sun).. Lord's Supper / Deacon Fund Offering (AM Service)  
December 25 (Fri) ..... Christmas  
January 8 (Fri) ..... Annual Meeting (7 PM)  
*Annual reports due to Pastor Rising by January 3 (or sooner).*

### MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

John & Michele Morgan; International Training (John) & Healthcare Ministries (Michele); [stir-ihm.org](http://stir-ihm.org); ABWE - [www.abwe.org](http://www.abwe.org)

### REMEMBERING OUR PEOPLE

Member(s) of the Week: Bob & Linda Dean  
Birthday: 12/4 Carol Boyce  
Anniversary: none

### PRAYER

Mitch & Sylvia Curatolo, Becky Harding, Carole Grummons, President, Governor, Local leaders, Healthcare workers, unspoken requests, Allen Strawn, John Avery, Marieta McMillen, Gerry Gollogly Sr., Lorna Till, Karen Bleil; Missionaries: Bardon, J. Beckley, K/S Beckley, Boston, Brown, Cruz, Deighton (resigned 11/30), Jones (retired 7/1), Kennedy, Mayner, Morgan, Newhart, Otchere, Phillips, Vaye, Weeks, BCH, Bayouca, BI, CBCA, GARBC, NF, RCCA, Shepherds.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Budget Target      \$3,532.54  
Average Weekly Giving YTD   3,530.28  
Last Week's Offering         3,680.00

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Deacons: Ron Capiello (Building/Grounds), Bob Dean (Deacon Fund Treasurer), Wayne Iddings (Chair), Steven McElwain, Jr. (Vice Chair), Richard Price, Kevin Wood, Bob Young (Clerk)

## **405 – My Faith Has Found a Resting Place (AM)**

1. My faith has found a resting place—  
Not in device or creed:  
I trust the Ever-living One—  
His wounds for me shall plead.

### *Chorus:*

I need no other argument,  
I need no other plea;  
It is enough that Jesus died,  
And that He died for me.

2. Enough for me that Jesus saves—  
This ends my fear and doubt;  
A sinful soul I come to Him—  
He'll never cast me out.

### *Chorus*

3. My heart is leaning on the Word—  
The written Word of God:  
Salvation by my Savior's name—  
Salvation through His blood.

### *Chorus*

4. My great Physician heals the sick—  
The lost He came to save;  
For me His precious blood He shed—

For me His life He gave.

### *Chorus*

Words: Lidie H. Edmunds

Music: Andre Gretry

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## **Praise Him! Praise Him! with To God Be the Glory (AM Offertory)**

Praise Him! praise Him! Jesus, our blessed Redeemer!  
Sing, O Earth, His wonderful love proclaim!  
Hail Him! hail Him! highest archangels in glory;  
Strength and honor give to His holy name!

Like a shepherd Jesus will guard His children,  
In His arms He carries them all day long;  
Praise Him! praise Him! tell of His excellent greatness;  
Praise Him! praise Him! ever in joyful song!

To God be the glory - great things He hath done!  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin  
And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
Let the earth hear His voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,  
And give Him the glory - great things He hath done!

Praise Him! praise Him! Jesus, our blessed Redeemer!  
Heav'nly portals loud with hosannas ring!  
Jesus, Savior, reigneth forever and ever;  
Crown Him! crown Him! Prophet and Priest and King!

Christ is coming! over the world victorious,  
Power and glory unto the Lord belong:

Praise Him! praise Him! tell of His excellent greatness;  
Praise Him! praise Him! ever in joyful song!

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"Praise Him! Praise Him!"  
Words: Fanny J. Crosby  
Music: Chester G. Allen

"To God Be the Glory"  
Words: Fanny J. Crosby  
Music: William H. Doane

### **201 – Grace Greater Than Our Sin (AM)**

1. Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,  
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt!  
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured—  
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

#### *Chorus*

Grace, grace, God's grace,  
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within,  
Grace, grace, God's grace,  
Grace that is greater than all our sin!

2. Sin and despair, like the sea-waves cold,  
Threaten the soul with infinite loss;  
Grace that is greater—yes, grace untold—  
Points to the refuge, the mighty cross.

#### *Chorus*

3. Dark is the stain that we cannot hide—  
What can avail to wash it away?  
Look! there is flowing a crimson tide—  
Whiter than snow you may be today.

#### *Chorus*

4. Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,  
Freely bestowed on all who believe!  
You that are longing to see His face,  
Will you this moment His grace receive?

#### *Chorus*

Words: Julia H. Johnston  
Music: Daniel B. Towner  
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### **478 – Soldiers of Christ, Arise (PM)**

1. Soldiers of Christ, arise  
And put your armor on,  
Strong in the strength which God supplies  
Through His eternal Son;  
Strong in the Lord of hosts,  
And in His mighty power,  
Who in the strength of Jesus trusts  
Is more than conqueror.

2. Stand then in His great might,  
With all His strength endued,  
And take, to arm you for the fight,  
The panoply of God;  
From strength to strength go on,  
Wrestle and fight and pray;  
Tread all the powers of darkness down,  
And win the well-fought day.

3. Leave no unguarded place,  
No weakness of the soul;  
Take every virtue, every grace,  
And fortify the whole.  
That having all things done,  
And all your conflicts past,  
Ye may o'er-come through Christ alone,  
And stand complete at last.

Words: Charles Wesley  
Music: George J. Elvey  
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## 502 – In Heavenly Love Abiding (PM)

1. In heav'nly love abiding,  
No change my heart shall fear;  
And safe is such confiding,  
For nothing changes here.  
The storm may roar without me,  
My heart may low be laid,  
But God is round about me,  
And can I be dismayed?

2. Wherever He may guide me,  
No want shall turn me back;  
My Shepherd is beside me,  
And nothing can I lack.  
His wisdom ever waketh;  
His sight is never dim.  
He knows the way He taketh,  
And I will walk with Him.

3. Green pastures are before me,  
Which yet I have not seen;  
Bright skies will soon be o'er me,  
Where darkest clouds have been.  
My hope I cannot measure;  
My path to life is free;  
My Savior has my treasure,  
And He will walk with me.

Words: Anna L. Waring  
Music: Felix Mendelssohn  
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### RE-OPENING GUIDELINES

Based upon the NYS guidelines for re-opening churches and in consultation with other resources, the following protocol must be

followed for use of Bethel Baptist Church, 300 N. Jensen Rd., Vestal NY as of 9/13/20.

1. Up to **79 people** can meet together for an indoor service (i.e., **33%** of our maximum capacity of 240).

2. Social distancing (6 feet) must be maintained unless members of the same household. Singing is only permissible with 12 feet distance between members of other households. Only one at a time in the elevator and only two at a time in the restrooms. No physical contact between members of different households. Signs will be posted to remind. In order to allow for social distancing, seating in the auditorium will be sectioned-off every other pew. Family groups should sit together. Ushers will assist individuals and families to seating areas if necessary.

3. Face masks must be worn unless seated. Pastor Rising, the Deacon doing announcements/scripture reading, and musicians must be prepared to wear a face mask if another person unexpectedly comes within six feet. Face coverings must be cleaned or replaced after use and may not be shared.

4. We must limit the sharing of objects, so musicians will not swap from one instrument to the other in a service. We will place the offering plate in a central location at the back. We will also refrain from printing a bulletin but will make the bulletin available digitally and will also post one on the back bulletin board.

5. We must adhere to thorough hygiene, cleaning, and disinfection protocols. Therefore, between each service, the church will be cleaned accordingly. We encourage families to use the same seating arrangement for each service. Hand washing with soap and water is available in the restrooms. Hand sanitizers will be available in various visible places in the church.

6. There will be no shared food and beverages. The kitchen will be closed.

7. There will be a screening process upon entry. The screening is mandatory for “employees, faith leaders, and volunteers (but not attendees)” but we are encouraging everyone to participate. Anyone serving in any official capacity in a particular service (pastor, deacon, musician, usher) is required to be screened. The screening involves a no-contact temperature check and questions asking about (1) COVID-19 symptom in past 14 days, (2) positive COVID-19 test in past 14 days, and/or (3) close contact with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 case in past 14 days. We will not be keeping a record of any health information.

8. Entry into the facility will be from the ground level by the nursery (east door). Except for special needs individuals, exit will be through the double-glass doors (north doors).

9. If you are included in the COVID-19 “at-risk” age-group and/or if you are not yet comfortable gathering for worship services, please feel free to remain home and join us for worship online. As long as he is able, Pastor Rising will be recording ahead of time the sermons so you can listen on Sundays to the same message that will be preached live. If you want a CD of the service, please contact Pastor Rising (607-221-2321; [davidrising@live.com](mailto:davidrising@live.com)).

10. There will be no choir or staffed nursery at this time.