

The Lord's Day – February 21, 2021

There is another who bears witness of Me,
And I know that the witness which
He witnesses of Me is true.
John 5:32 (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: December – February

Pre-Primary:	God Rescues	Sandy Rising
Junior High:	Essential Bible Truths	Rachel Delanoy
Teens:	1 Peter	Wayne Iddings
Timothy:	Tozer/Character of God	Kurt Harding
Ambassador:	Zechariah	George Snyder

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE **11:00 AM**

† Welcome & Announcements Wayne Iddings
Call to Worship Revelation 1:1-2
Invocation
* Hymn #1 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
Scripture Reading Psalm 12
Pastoral Prayer
Offertory
Message: On the Basis of Three Witnesses John 5:31-38
* Hymn #96 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
Closing Prayer

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

EVENING SERVICE **6:00 PM**

Welcome – Romans 3:19-26
* Hymn The Law of God is Good and Wise
Sung to the tune #450 - Lord Speak to Me (6 stanzas)
Prayer
* Hymn #177 What Wondrous Love Is This
Offertory Hiding in Thee (Rachel Delanoy)
Message Jesus Became a Curse for Us (Deut. 28)
Closing Prayer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to receive the Baptist Bulletin magazine (GARBC), please let Pastor know **by 2/22 (Monday)**. Annual subscription options: (1) Printed & Digital = \$12.95, or (2) Digital only = \$9.95/year. Published 6x/year.

THIS WEEK

Wednesday..... Bible Study & Prayer (7 PM)
Saturday SWEET Circle

LOOKING AHEAD

March 2 (Tues) Deacons' Meeting (7 PM)
March 7 (Sun)..... Lord's Supper (PM svc.)
March 20 (Sat)..... Spring begins!

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Ken & Sarah Beckley; ministering in Niger, West Africa
ken.sarah.beckley@gmail.com; Sent by Bethel Baptist Church
Serving with Faith Baptist Mission (faithbaptistmission.org)

REMEMBERING OUR PEOPLE

Member(s) of the Week: Marieta McMillen
Birthday: 2/26 Mia Pion
Anniversary: none

PRAYER

Price family, Beth Podest, Randy Clink, Mark Hillman, Mitch & Sylvia Curatolo, unspoken requests, Becky Harding, Marieta McMillen, Gerry Gollogly Sr., Lorna Till, Karen Bleil, John Avery, Carole Grummons, Allen Strawn, Government leaders; Missionaries: Bardon, J. Beckley, K/S Beckley, Boston, Brown, Cruz, Jones (retired 7/1/20), Kennedy, Mayner, Morgan, Newhart, Otchere, Phillips, Vaye, Weeks, BCH, Bayouca, BI, CBCA, GARBC, NF, RCCA, Shepherds.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Budget Target	\$3,520.04
Average Weekly Giving YTD	3,012.14
Last Week's Offering	1,525.00

LIVE STREAMING: www.youtube.com/BethelBaptistVestal

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Deacons: Ron Cappiello (Building/Grounds), Kurt Harding (Deacon Fund Treasurer), Wayne Iddings (Chair), Steven McElwain, Jr. (Vice Chair), Richard Price, Bob Young (Clerk)

1 – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (AM)

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

2. All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

3. Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ, our Brother—
All who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

4. Mortals, join the happy chorus
Which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us,

Brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward
In the triumph song of life.

Words: Henry van Dyke

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven; melody from *Ninth Symphony*
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96 – All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (AM)

1. All hail the pow'r 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, ev'ry 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.

Words: Edward Perronet; Adapted by John Rippon
Music: James Ellor (DIADEM)
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449 – The Law of God is Good and Wise (PM)

Sung to the tune of "Lord, Speak to Me"

1. The law of God is good and wise
And sets His will before our eyes,
Shows us the way of righteousness,
And dooms to death when we transgress.
2. Its light of holiness imparts
The knowledge of our sinful hearts
That we may see our lost estate
And seek deliverance ere too late.
3. To those who help in Christ have found
And would in works of love abound
It shows what deeds are His delight
And should be done as good and right.
4. When men the offered help disdain
And willfully in sin remain,
Its' terror in their ear resounds
And keeps their wickedness in bounds.
5. The law is good; but since the fall
Its holiness condemns us all;
It dooms us for our sin to die
And has no power to justify.
6. To Jesus we for refuge flee,
Who from the curse has set us free,
And humbly worship at his throne,
Saved by His grace through faith alone.

Words: Matthias Loy (L.M.)
Music: Robert Schumann (CANONBURY)
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177 – What Wondrous Love Is This (PM)

1. What wondrous love is this,
O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this
That caused the Lord of bliss,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.
2. When I was sinking down,
Sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down
Beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.
3. To God and to the Lamb
I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb I will sing.
To God and to the Lamb
Who is the great "I Am,"
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.
4. And when from death I'm free,
I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And thro' eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And thro' eternity I'll sing on.

Words: American Folk Hymn
Music: William Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835
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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 **2/17/21**.

1. Up to **120 people** can meet together for an indoor service (i.e., **50%** 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. Messages will be broadcast live on YouTube here: https://www.youtube.com/user/BethelBaptistVestal/videos?view=2&live_view=502 If you subscribe to the channel, you can be notified when the next service is available. If you want an audio CD of the message, please contact Pastor Rising (607-221-2321; davidrising@live.com).
10. There will be no choir or staffed nursery at this time.