

## Sermon Notes

### “God of Our Fathers” - Isaiah 51:1,2

The God worshiped by America’s Founders:

- I. **God the \_\_\_\_\_** (Psalm 19:1-6; 33:9ff; Isaiah 45:11-13; Romans 1:18ff)
  - Virtually all of America’s Founders approached life with a solid belief that God was the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - If God truly is Creator, and “leads forth in beauty all the starry band”, He can surely \_\_\_\_\_.
- II. **God the \_\_\_\_\_**. (Deut. 28:1,2; John 8:32)
  - A. God guided \_\_\_\_\_ to this \_\_\_\_\_.
  - B. People took \_\_\_\_\_ seriously. People must either be controlled by the \_\_\_\_\_ or by the bayonet. (Robert Withrop, 1849)
- III. **God the \_\_\_\_\_**. (Psalm 33:18-22; 27:1-3)
  - God is the ultimate \_\_\_\_\_.
  - We must stay near God’s \_\_\_\_\_ if we hope to receive His \_\_\_\_\_.
- IV. **God of our \_\_\_\_\_**. (Prov. 14:34)
  - A. Righteous living results from God being allowed to \_\_\_\_\_ in our heart.
  - B. Righteous living leads to a \_\_\_\_\_.
- V. **God the \_\_\_\_\_**. (Jeremiah 29:11-14; Lam. 3:40; Acts 3:19; 2:38-39)

**Colonial rallying cry: “No king but King \_\_\_\_\_!”**

**Who is your \_\_\_\_\_?**

## Welcome to Bethlehem Church of Christ

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*“Because of the LORD’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, ‘The LORD is my portion; therefore I will wait for him.’ The LORD is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him; it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.”*

Lamentations 3:22-26

**July 2, 2017**

## Order of Worship

Welcome

**(Please pass the blue books located at the end of each pew.)**

<i>The Star Spangled Banner (1st)</i>	760
<i>My Country, 'Tis of Thee</i>	757
<i>Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory</i>	756
<i>America, The Beautiful</i>	759
<i>God of Our Fathers</i>	758
<i>My Faith Has Found a Resting Place</i>	435



All disciples of Jesus are invited to partake as the emblems are passed.

Offering to God - Guests are welcome to participate, or may simply place the visitor card in the plate.

Prayer for July marriages

Encouragement time

Message Tom Claibourne

*I Would Be True* 493

Decisions

Reminders & Prayer

## Bethlehem News

### This Evening — 6:00 pm

Patriotic Picnic in the church yard. We will share food & fellowship and celebrate our freedom together. We'll also enjoy volleyball, cornhole, etc., and relaxing conversations.

### This Week

Wed. - Whatever Wednesday, 10:00 am, leave BCC for Jungle Jim's Secret Santa trip, Sr. high.

Thurs. - 1. 10:00 am, leave BCC for Jungle Jim's Secret Santa trip, middle school  
2. Friendship lunch at Frisch's, noon  
3. Elementary Lazer Tag; leave 3 pm

Fri. - SHIFT movie night, Sr. high.

Thurs. - Sat. CMF Yard Sale, daylight to dark at the corner of 32 & Freeh Rd., Sardinia. Call the office if you want to drop off items at BCC prior to the sale. Proceeds will fund church & school buildings in Haiti. For more information call Terry Parker at 937-768-6646.

Sat. - BCC walk in Decatur parade. Line up at the old school by 10:30 am. Sign up in the foyer so we have an idea how many are coming.

### This Week's Bethlehem Campers

July 2 - 7 — Junior High Extreme - Lauren Eiterman

July 2 - 7 — Middle School Camp - Gracie Hall

### Awesome News!

We rejoiced last Sunday to hear the confessions and witness the baptisms of Sherri & Zoie Centers. They live at 3756 St. Rt. 125, West Union.

### BCC at the Fair

We will join other congregations to lead a Sunday morning worship service at 10:00 am, & to provide a free sitting area where people can eat. Bethlehem's day to keep the tent clean is Thursday.

## Adams County Fair

July 10 - 15

If you haven't signed in the foyer indicating project / event you are involved in, please sign today so we can have a list available next Sunday. (include the date and time)

### VBS is Coming Soon!

**July 16 - 20, 6:30 - 8:30 pm**

- ◆ Registration begins today !
- ◆ If you know of any children who may not have gotten a card in the mail, please pick one (or more) up in the foyer and distribute.
- ◆ Pray for preparations and changed lives.
- ◆ Help us get our buildings and grounds looking their best.

Please continue signing up today in the foyer to order T-shirts and provide snacks for the kids. We also need:

1. Peanut butter sandwich makers & 2 cleaning teams.
2. A volunteer to take posters to Cherry Fork to hang up.

See Monica or Danielle if you can help

### Coming Soon

Sermon series: "The Rougher Edges of Love", July 23 - Sept. 17

Summer Connection Challenge:

July 30 - Sept. 3 (see newsletter or posters for more information).

### Lost & Found

Please check the table in the gym to see if you recognize any coats or other items. After today the items will be given away.

### Missionary Cards

Thanks for signing the card in the foyer to send encouragement to the Hoffs.

## Join Us in Praying

- ✚ Praise God as absolute Lord of all.
- ✚ Thank God for freedom, both spiritual and national.
- ✚ Thank God that America's Founders had such high respect for God, the Bible, Christianity, and righteousness.
- ✚ Pray that America will restore the godly foundation of our early years.
- ✚ Read I Timothy 2:1-4; and then do it!
- ✚ Patty Davis - continues to struggle with infection in her spine.
- ✚ Jack Downs - was to return last night from more treatments in GA.
- ✚ July Mission: Grundy Mountain Mission School
- ✚ Continued prayer- Dakota Bass, Glana Bates, Jeanette Berry, Vicki Boyd, John Day, Sue Day, Penny Dixon, Frank & Pat Gelter, Jean Goins, Ethan Hale, Harry Hobson, Ken Holtzclaw, Judy Hughes, Heather Huston, Morgan Kohler, Jeanette Myers, Ruth Nixon, Justin Palmer, Faye Parker, Mary Rayburn, Gordon Schrichten, Matt Taylor, Sharon Vaughn.
- ✚ Other:

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Cleaning Teams: Kyle & Carol Truesdell  
Cenci Family/Debbie Forsythe, Debbie & Morgan Edmisten

Mowing this week: Nathan Manning

Next: James Clifton

Nursery (9) Coordinator: Jessica Cornette  
9:30 am - Connie Scott  
10:30 am - Taryn Manning & Laynee Davis