

Take God at His Word

The Joy of Generosity

- I. Recognize the _____ of God. (John 3:16; II Cor. 8:9)
- II. Be generous and _____.
- A. God _____ spiritual growth. (I Pet. 2:2-3; II Pet. 1:5-8; 3:18; II Cor. 8:7)
- B. Generosity _____ spiritual growth. (Matt. 6:19-21)
- God's desire: not better _____, but better _____.
- C. Spiritual growth produces _____. (II Cor. 8:1-5)
- D. God _____ our generosity, so we can be _____ generous.
(II Cor. 9:8-11; Mal. 3:10; Lk. 6:38)
- III. Be generous with our _____ family.
- A. God will bless our _____ effort. (Ex. 25:1-9; I Chron. 29;
I Cor. 16:1-2)
- B. God will bless the _____ - first principle. (I Tim. 5:3-4, 8; Gal. 6:10;
Deut. 12:4-7)
- IV. Recognize the _____ of generosity. (II Cor. 9:6, 12-15)
- A. Allows us to honor Jesus' great _____. (Mt. 22:37-39)
- B. Allows us to honor Jesus' great _____. (Mt. 28:18-20;
II Cor. 9:10-15)

When we first give _____ to the Lord, honoring Him
with our _____ comes naturally.

Welcome to Bethlehem Church of Christ

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“Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.”

— II Corinthians 9:10-11

February 23, 2020

Order of Worship

Welcome & prayer

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

I Give You My Heart

Way Maker

I Love You, Lord

All Who Are Thirsty



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.

Encouragement time

Message

Tom Claibourne

His Way With Thee

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Decisions

Reminders & prayer

Bethlehem News

Welcome

We welcome our youth to the auditorium today for Family Sunday. Youth pages are available in the foyer.

Also Today

- 6:00 -1. Prayer & praise in the auditorium.
- 2. Women 2 Women Bible Study in the fellowship hall.
- 6:15 - Youth groups in their class rooms.
- Adult study in the auditorium (How Happiness Happens", a video series by Max Lucado).
- 7:15 - Adult choir practice, 7:15



A Word of Hope

Far too many people are discouraged, disillusioned, or desperate. Maybe that describes you, or someone you know.

Tom's message next Sunday will respond to this great need. "THERE IS HOPE" will be an encouraging call to live and dream with faith and confidence in our limitless God.

Be a Blessing

Since our renewal day in January for our Helping Hands Ministry, we have developed charts indicating in what areas people will serve.

Please let one of the coordinators or staff know if someone needs a meal, visit, transportation, food pantry delivery, home or auto maintenance, health supplies, emergency child care, etc.

This Week

Tuesday - Volleyball, 7 pm

Wednesday - 1. Bible reading growth group, 7 pm
2. Basketball, 7 pm

Thursday - Office Ministry, 3 pm

H.O.P.E. Box

You are invited to put a dollar per person in the box each Sunday. If you know of someone who needs special assistance, fill out a form and either put it in the box or in Christian's mail tray.

Every month or two the collected amount will be used to meet a need for someone who is struggling.

This will allow us to be a blessing aside from our regular tithes and offerings, outside the BCC general fund.

Church Camp

Registration days will be the next two Sundays (March 1 & 8). If you need help registering see Lisa Berry. You may also register on line by going to www.butlersprings.com and click on code "20bethlehem20" for camps over \$160, and "Bethlehem 50" for camps \$160 or less. Once again Bethlehem will pay half the fee, up to \$80 for all youth who regularly attend Bethlehem.

Mark Your Calendar

March 14 - 1. CCLN Summit in Mason.

2. Winter Jam in Cincinnati

March 20 & 21 - Man Camp ("Guys Only") at Butler Springs.

March 29 - BCC Friend Day - a day for each of us to invite an unchurched friend or family.

April 5 - Honduras report at Bethlehem.

April 9 & 10 - Special services with other congregations.

April 12 - Resurrection Sunday

April 26 - Carry-in Shepherding dinner for all 5 flocks.

Join Us in Praying

- ✚ Thank God as the Creator and owner of all things.
- ✚ Thank God for His greatest and most far-reaching gift, His Son Jesus Christ.
- ✚ Thank God for the blessings and opportunities to be genuine.
- ✚ Pray for God's leading and your submission as you determine your level of generosity in the future.
- ✚ February mission: Christian Restoration Assoc.
- ✚ Roger Davis - his heart monitor was taken off on Wednesday; good report from doctor; follow-up appointment in 6 months.
- ✚ David Basford - had a follow-up doctor visit Friday.
- ✚ Dallas Huff - pain in left wrist; doctor thinks it may be a pinched nerve; trouble sleeping.
- ✚ Betty & Ed Fenner - rehab stay extended due to his flu.
- ✚ Kerry Allen got his neck brace off Wednesday after 3 months, beginning 8 weeks of physical therapy.
- ✚ Tony Gray - returned to work Tuesday.
- ✚ Continued prayer list is on the prayer board. Thank you for reviewing the list often & contacting the office with updates.
- ✚ Other:

Cleaning Teams: Cluxton Family
Marlene & Jessica Frederick
Seipelt Family

Next Sunday Nursery:
Coordinator: Jessica Cornette
9:30 - Suegene Tatman
10:30 - Brittany, Jaida Mason
& Angie Holbrook