

BETHANY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)

"Where Blessings Happen"

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LOVING God. LIVING for Christ. LISTENING to God's Spirit.

February 21, 202 10:45 a.m.

THE GATHERING TIME

"Please enter the sanctuary in reverence and prayer and leave it with joy and fellowship."

RINGING OF THE CHIMES- 10:40- a.m. Seat Arrivals (Front to Back)

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name

Seat Arrivais (Front to back)

Delight in the Lord

THE WELCOME AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Dale Edens

Ruth Crenshaw

Please fill out the welcome sheet and place in the offering plate when passed.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

L: O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,

C: the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace.

L: Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;

C: 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

L: Glory to God and praise and love be ever, ever given

C: by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.

† THE INVOCATION

Our God and King, we rise up with all the saints to sing Your praises and give You thanks for all that You have given us. We have received showers of blessing from You through the years. This morning, we wish to join with all the church in all its locations to return a blessing of praise to You. Let praises fill Your house and Your world, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

MUSICAL INTERLUDE Christians, We Have Met to Worship No.277(vs.1,3) Christians, we have met to worship and adore the living God; will you pray with all your power while we try to preach the word? All is vain unless the Spirit of

the Holy One comes down; Christians pray and holy mana will be showered all around.

Let us love our God supremely, let us love each other, too; let us pray for all earth's people till our God makes all things new. Christ will call us home to heaven, at the table we'll sit down; Christ will welcome us and serve us living mana all around.

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER

THE CALL TO PRAYER

Mike De Frank

Silent Prayers
Pastoral Prayer
Lord's Prayer (using "debts" and "debtors")

SPECIAL MUSIC

piano solo Vicki Myers

WORSHIP THROUGH MEDITATION

† THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Ephesians 4:28-30, Romans 5:1-8 (NIV) **THE SERMON** Forgive as the Lord Forgave you Jim Kotter

WORSHIP THROUGH DECISION AND DEDICATION

† THE INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Vicki Myers

MUSICAL OFFERTORY Fill My Cup, Lord No. 351(vs.1,3) Like the women at the well I was seeking for things that could not satisfy; and then I heard my Savior speaking: "Draw from my well that never shall run dry." Fill my cup, Lord, I lift it up, Lord! Come and quench this thirsting of my soul; Bread of Heaven, feed me 'til I want no more fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole!

So, my friend, if all the things this world gave you leave hungers that won't pass away, my blessed Lord will come and save you, if you kneel to him and humbly pray. Fill my cup, Lord, I lift it up, Lord! Come and quench this thirsting of my soul; Bread of Heaven, fed ne 'till I want no more fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole!

HEALING MINISTRY

Dale Edens

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE STEWARDSHIP MOMENT WORSHIP THOUGH COMMUNION

Jennifer Howell

†THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In unison: "I believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God, and my Savior."

THE COMMUNION MEDITATION

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION PRAYER

Mike De Frank

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

(All believers in Jesus, the Christ, are welcome to share in the Lord's Supper.) Please carry all used cups and wrappers out of the sanctuary. There will be two trash bins on either side of the sanctuary exit.

† THE BENEDICTION

Sandra Blystone

† **RECESSIONAL** (Back to Front)

† THE POSTLUDE Little Trumpet Tune in G

† Please stand as you are able

STAFF & VOLUNTEERS

SENIOR PASTOR: Rev. Robert Arnold **ORGANIST:** Ruth Crenshaw

AUDIO: William See **OFFICE MANAGER:** Samantha Flores

SUNDAY DAYCARE: Laura Perez & Lupe Diaz PIANIST: Anna Longo

VIDEO: Ken Blystone DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES: Chris Marquez

LAST SUNDAY RECAP

Attendance: 17

Tithes and Offerings: Love Offering- Kelly:

Total:

Pastor on Vacation

Pastor Bob and Gia will be taking vacation from Thursday, February 11th through Wednesday, February 24th. We will be blessed to have Pastor Kotter with us to bring the message on February 14th and 21st. A frequent guest in our pulpit, Pastor Kotter brings biblical inspirational messages for all to hear.

Year Ending 2020 Outreach Report

Hello Friends,

We have finished the 2020 year 4th quarter outreach to the following:

El Paso Rescue Mission - \$500.00

Global Ministries (Elena Huegel our missionary) - \$500.00

La Posada Women's Home - \$300.00

Annunciation House Shelter - \$300.00

Opportunity Center for Women - \$300.00

Disciples Week of Compassion - \$300.00

For a total of \$2,200.00

This past year Bethany Christian Church has tithed over \$18,442.00 in outreach funds to local charities, missionaries, CCSW, CFC and Christian Organizations.

Also, in addition, members and special love offerings were over \$6,500.00, to

some of our church members, YMCA & La Posada school supplies, Military Bible sticks and Christmas shoes for TLC and others.

I thank God for richly blessing our church, especially through this past year of Covid-19 crisis and having the opportunity to reach out to so many others in need.

Thank you for serving our LORD and His Church.

Peace & Joy to you, Mike De Frank

Bible Study Pause

Because of Pastor Bob's vacation, the online Bible Study will take a two week pause on Wednesday, February 17th and 24th. The Bible Study currently explores the Book of Acts for insights into contemporary Christian living from the experience of the earliest Christians. If you would like to be included in the e-mailed materials and/or the Zoom session each week, simply notify Samantha or Pastor Bob, and we will get you added to the distribution and invitation list.

Social Distance

We ask everyone to please social distance and keep your mask on before, during, and after service, while you are in the building.

Blessing Boxes

Beginning Sunday, January 31st, blessing boxes will stand available on the round table in the Narthex. All though the month of February, anytime you feel a blessing drop some change in the blessing box. On February 28th, we will all bring our blessing boxes together to participate in the Week of Compassion offering for disaster response and development throughout the suffering communities of this world.

Week of Compassion Offering Sunday, February 21st through Sunday, February 28th has been designated by our denomination as the Week of Compassion. During the two Sundays of that "week" we encourage the Bethany community to make over and above offerings for the relief and development work of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) throughout the United States and around the world. This offering gives us the chance to show how much Christ's people care about the suffering of our neighbors.

PRAYER CONCERNS

"If one member suffers, we all suffer together. If one member is honored, we all rejoice together." (1Corinthians 12:26)

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Week Ending February 13 Dan Blystone (Ken & Sandra Blystone's nephew)	Week Ending February 6 Dan Blystone (Ken & Sandra Blystone's nephew)	Week Ending January 30 Dan Blystone (Ken & Sandra Blystone's nephew)
Carol Hollshwandner	Carol Hollshwandner	Carol Hollshwandner
Gloria Holguin	Gloria Holguin	Baby Ella Leyva
Bob Snelson	Bob Snelson	Gloria Holguin
Crystal Espinosa (Dodie Wicker's granddaughter)	Crystal Espinosa (Dodie Wicker's granddaughter)	Bob Snelson Jerry De Frank
Peggy Knapp (Lola Mae Perry' cousin)	Peggy Knapp (Lola Mae Perry' cousin)	Crystal Espinosa (Dodie Wicker's
Carol Frank	Carol Frank	granddaughter)
John Chamberlin (Martha Morris's brother)	John Chamberlin (Martha Morris's brother)	Peggy Knapp (Lola Mae Perry' cousin)
Phyllis Pickett	Phyllis Pickett	Carol Frank
(Robbie Rossi's friend)	(Robbie Rossi's friend)	A Friend of Jennifer Howell & Bodine
Glenda Koeningsberg	Glenda Koeningsberg	Porter
Tanya McCollum	Prayers to the family of Emma	John Chamberlin
Giovanna & Bob Arnold	Fisher (Peggy William's sister)	(Martha Morris's brother)
Chris Edens	, ,	Pastor (Rev.)Dr.Curtis L. Keith
(Dale Eden's brother) Carrie Bays	Prayers to the family of Tom Stone	Our Homebound and in Care Facilities:
(Flora Smith's daughter-in- law)	(Pastor Bob's friend)	Alice McBee, Marvin Morris,
Flora Smith	Lisa Palafox (Sandra Blystones & Lucy	Carol Hollshwandner

Snelson's friend)

WEEKLY CALENDAR

February 21-27, 2021

SUNDAY:

Sunday Daycare No Meeting

Sunday School (adults)

No Meeting

Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.

Sun City Bell Ringers No Meeting

TUESDAY

ACOA

WEDNESDAY

Gamblers Anonymous

Bible Study Zoom Meeting No Meeting

THURSDAY

Choir Practice No Meeting

SATURDAY

Music Lessons No Meeting

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 4:28-30(NIV)

²⁸Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

²⁹ Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Romans 5:1-8 (NIV)

5 Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we^[a] have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we^[b] boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³ Not only so, but we^[c] also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God