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## **BETHANY CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

*(Disciples of Christ)*

*“Where Blessings Happen”*

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

October 11, 2020

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)

**THE PRELUDE** Wonderful Words of Life-Bliss

Ruth Crenshaw

A Melody Of Love

**THE WELCOME AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE**

Wayne Salguero

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

## **THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

### **† THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Sing the praises of the Lord, you his faithful people;

**C: praise his holy name.**

L: O, that my heart may sing God's praises and not be silent.

**C: Lord my God, I will praise you forever.**

### **† THE INVOCATION**

O Lord, we have come together to sing Your praises. We will testify to Your wisdom. We will tell about Your mercy. Even as we pray, we begin our testimony. Grant that we may find ourselves so inspired in this time of worship that we do not cease to testify when we pass through the door. We would tell the world about Your goodness and sing Your praises to our neighbors. In Jesus Christ, amen.

**MUSICAL INTERLUDE**

How Firm a Foundation

## **WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER**

### **THE CALL TO PRAYER**

Silent Prayers

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer (using "debts" and "debtors")

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

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Wayne Salguero

## **WORSHIP THROUGH MEDITATION**

† **THE SCRIPTURE LESSON** Ephesians 6:17 (NIV) & Luke 21:13-15 (NIV)

**THE SERMON** Sword of the Spirit Pastor Bob Arnold

## **WORSHIP THROUGH DECISION AND DEDICATION**

† **THE INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP**

**MUSICAL OFFERTORY** Standing on the Promises

**HEALING MINISTRY**

## **WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**THE STEWARDSHIP MOMENT**

## **WORSHIP THOUGH COMMUNION**

† **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**

**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**

† **RECESSIONAL** (Back to Front)

† **THE POSTLUDE** Psalm VIII-Baylor

† *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:** 38

**Tithes and Offerings:** \$5,406.25

**Kitchen Remodeling:** \$20.00

**Total:** \$5,426.25

#### **Message from Pastor Bob**

So that everyone who wishes to attend may feel safe and welcome, the cabinet of Bethany Christian Church requires that all people not leading orally in the service wear a mask while in the building. Even those leading from the chancel will put their masks on when not speaking or singing from the chancel. Please help us make this important accommodation to our fellow church participants' comfort and safety.

#### **Bible Study Zoom Class**

Pastor Bob's Zoom Bible Study class is held on **Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.**

### **Congregational Meeting**

The annual congregation meeting will be held on **Sunday, October 18** after the morning worship service. We will be voting on the nominees for church officers for 2021; the rewritten Constitution and the budget for 2021.

### **Elder Meeting Reminder**

There will be an Elder Meeting after service **this Sunday (October 11)** in the meeting room.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

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

<u><b>Week Ending October 3</b></u>	<u><b>Week Ending October 3</b></u>	<u><b>Week Ending September 26</b></u>
Bill Baldwin (Larry & Bonnie Baldwin's son)	Bill Baldwin (Larry & Bonnie Baldwin's son)	Bill Baldwin (Larry & Bonnie Baldwin's son)
Gloria Holguin	Gloria Holguin	Gloria Holguin
Dan Blystone (Ken & Sandra Blystone's nephew)	Dan Blystone (Ken & Sandra Blystone's nephew)	Dan Blystone (Ken & Sandra Blystone's nephew)
Sibyl Rappe	Sibyl Rappe	Sibyl Rappe
Adrena Greasby	Adrena Greasby	Adrena Greasby
Darla Scott (Giovanna Arnold's friend)	Darla Scott (Giovanna Arnold's friend)	Darla Scott (Giovanna Arnold's friend)
Eddie & Samantha Flores	Eddie & Samantha Flores	Eddie & Samantha Flores
Carol Beatty	Carol Beatty	Carol Beatty
Bob Snelson	Mike Rappe (Sibyl Rappe's son)	Prayers to the Villalobos family (Trish & Don Baxter's family)
First Christian Church Pastor David McVey	Veronica (Sibyl Rappe's physical therapist)	Steinle Family (Ken Blystones's cousins)
Connie Parsons Willeford (Sandra Blystone's cousin)	Terry Chavira	Ruben Martinez
Prayers to the family of Judy Dively	Prayers to the Russel Family (Donna Buckman and Robbie Rossi family)	<b>Our Homebound and in Care Facilities:</b> Alice McBee, Marvin Morris, Carol Hollshwandner
Prayers to the family of Bob Bogart (Trish Baxter's cousin)		

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

October 11-17, 2020

### **SUNDAY:**

Sunday Daycare	No Meeting
Sunday School (adults)	No Meeting
Morning Worship	10:45 a.m.
Elders Meeting	after service
Sun City bell Ringers	No Meeting

### **MONDAY**

Boy & Cub Scout Meeting

### **TUESDAY**

ACOA	7:00 p.m.
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### **WEDNESDAY**

Gamblers Anonymous	7:00 p.m.
Bible Study Zoom Meeting	7:00 p.m.

### **THURSDAY**

Choir Practice	No Meeting
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### **SATURDAY**

Music Lessons	No Meeting
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## SCRIPTURE LESSON

### **Ephesians 6:17 (NIV) & Luke 21:13-15 (NIV)**

Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. And so you will bear testimony to me. But make up your mind not to worry beforehand how you will defend yourselves. For I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to resist or contradict.

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



# **The Sword of the Spirit which Is the Word of God**

Ephesians 6:17 (NIV) & Luke 21:13-15 (NIV)

**Introduction:** The Sword of the Spirit

**Part One:** Our Responsibility to Testify (21:13)

**Part Two:** The Words and Utterances of God (6:17)

**Part Three:** Divinely Supplied Words and Wisdom (21:15)

**Part Four:** The Boldness to Go and Speak (21:14)

**Conclusion:** The Whole Armor of God