



Greetings,

If you are a guest with us today, thank you for joining us! We are honored that you chose Bethel for your worship experience. Feel free to join in and know you are part of the family today.

If you attend regularly, thank you for your continued involvement and support of the ministry here at Bethel. We pray that our impact will continue in your life and that you will take an even greater step of involvement as we grow deeper in Jesus together.

If you are a member of Bethel, you know how much you are loved. I praise God for each one who takes their spiritual life seriously and continues to serve Him and dedicates their life to growing more like Christ daily.

To all, thank you for joining us in worship today. We pray that your experience will draw you closer to Jesus this morning. His plan for you is greater than anything you could ever create for yourself.

Expect and anticipate His desire to speak to you in a real and personal way as you worship Him this morning.

God is Good...
Pastor Todd

How to become a follower of Christ:

Admit: Admit that you aren't perfect. The Bible says that "all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God". Confess those failings to God.

Believe: Believe that God sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross to pay the full penalty for your sin and on the third day Jesus rose from the grave victorious over sin and death.

Commit: Commit to Him by confessing your sin and yielding your life to Him.

REFLECT AND RESPOND PRAYER INVITATION

At the end of the service, prayer team members will be available to pray with you. It may be in response to God's movement in your life during the worship service, an area of need or concern, a desire for direction, or a desire to move into a new arena of ministry. The pastor will direct you to the space, and people, who will join with you in your journey. Prayer team members will also be available in the Prayer Room following the service.

Bethel Happenings

New Members Class.....12:30pm, Today
Debbie Peters Debbie@bethelconnect.org or (760) 855-8472
This is a great opportunity to learn more about Bethel during a lunch and for those wishing to become members, there will be a class immediately following, led by Pastor Todd.

Cheer on the Co-Pilots!.....6:25pm, Monday
Andrea Martin (760) 739-1360
Bethel's coed softball team plays at Kit Carson Park.

IGNITE Jr. & Sr. High.....6-8pm, Wednesdays
Mike Martin & Pastor Todd
Meet in the youth room for Bible study and games.

FUEL.....6-8pm, Wednesdays
Patty Uhland (760) 745-4995
All 1st through 5th graders experience a mid-week fill up of God's Word and enjoy fellowship, along with mission projects. Meet in the Kid's Room, B24.

Adult Bible Study.....10am, Thursdays
Mike Martin 760 739-1360
Mike is leading a study on the crucifixion and resurrection. After Easter he will lead a study on Galatians.

AWANA.....6-8pm, Thursdays
Dennis Evans (760) 622-1091
AWANA holds firm to the biblical conviction that faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. For children 3 years through High School.

Men's Bible Study.....6-8pm, Thursdays
Bruce Hitchcock (714) 420-1092
Men of all ages are welcome to this study group in the Fellowship Center.

Women's Bible Study.....6-8pm, Thursdays
Debbie Baldwin (760) 215-8471
The group is covering The Seven Jewels of Faith, by N. Manokaran. It is a 7 week devotional study on Moral Excellence, Knowing God, Self Control, Steadfastness, Godliness, Affection and Love.

Bethel Connection.....6-8pm, Tuesday, May 23
Join us at the next Bethel Connection meeting. Everyone is welcome to come and get involved with what is going on at Bethel

Friday Night Life Group Bowl.....6-8pm, begins May 26
Danny Baldwin (928) 208-7128
Join them for fellowship at the AMF Eagle Bowl in San Marcos every Friday from 6-8pm, May 26th - Sept 1st. Get a summer pass for \$35.95 adults and \$29.95 kids 15 and under. After bowling they will meet for a meal together, locations to be determined weekly.

Parent / Youth Lunch Meeting.....Sunday, May 28
All youth and their parents are encouraged to attend this meeting following worship in the Fellowship Center.

Deacon Ordination.....10:30am, Sunday, June 4
A ordination will be held for Jim Kissling and Jeremy Leamon as Deacons.

Promotion Sunday.....9am, June 11
All current kindergartners, 5th graders, 8th graders and 12th graders will transition to a new area of Bible study and Pastor Todd will recognize these students in worship.

Ministry Highlight

New Life Group "Sisters-in-Christ"
Penny Lawlor (619) 403-4939

This group is for women of all ages, focusing on praising and honoring our Lord through Bible study, seeking the Holy Spirit's guidance and supporting one another in their individual life journeys. Join them in Room 10 at 9am.

Ministry Opportunities

Children's Ministry.....Sundays/Wednesdays
Corinne King (760) 533-3562 or *Patty Uhland* (760) 745-4995
Help with our nursery, preschool or elementary aged children on Wednesdays from 6 to 8pm or on Sunday mornings, for either the 9am or 10:30 am time on a rotating schedule.

Music Ministry
Join our music ministry team in worship choir, orchestra, or worship band. Rehearse every Wednesday in preparation for our Sunday morning service.

Bethel Intercessory Prayer Ministry (all in Prayer Room)
Sunday – 8:20 -8:50am – Prayer for God's power and presence in Worship service;
Wednesday – 5:30 – 6:20pm – Praise and Prayer for missions and Bethel family requests;
1st Sunday of every month – 9-10am – Moms in Prayer (Prayer for schools, students, teachers and administrators);
Submit prayer requests by sending an email to prayer@bethelconnect.org.

Coffee Cart Team.....Sundays
Kristin Britt (760) 233-9835
Set up, prepare coffee, snacks and clean up.

Hands and Feet.....3rd & 4th Saturdays
Mike Martin (760) 739-1360
Prepare sack lunch meals for the homeless in the Fellowship Center. Those who desire, may help with distribution following.

Laura Balfour Memorial

A Memorial service will be at Bethel on Saturday, May 27, at 1pm. Reception will follow.

Couples: Pause to Pray Together

In a culture that undermines marital oneness, praying together is a powerful way to help you protect your marriage. Below are several ways praying with your spouse will benefit your marriage:

- 1. You'll hear and understand the heart of your spouse in prayer.** It will bring you a growing emotional connection.
- 2. You'll face your stresses together at the deepest level.** It's called crisis intimacy. You're in this together.
- 3. You'll keep heading in the same direction as a couple.** Build together by maintaining a shared commitment toward a better marriage. (Psalm 127:1)
- 4. You'll have a better chance of each of you staying close to the Lord.** Hebrew 3:12 calls us to: "See to it, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God."
- 5. You'll show love for your spouse as you pray with them and for them.** Love is lifting them up to the Lord and carrying their burdens with them (Galatians 6:2).
- 6. You'll enjoy the sense of being anchored to God with your lives.** Let Him be the firm and secure anchor for the soul of your marriage (Hebrews 6:19).
- 7. You'll have a softer, more forgiving heart toward each other.** In marriage, if you walk in the light of the Lord, you'll have fellowship with each other (1 John 1:7).
- 8. You'll keep humble as people and as a couple on your knees.** Prayer is the two of you humbly kneeling together before your sovereign Creator.
- 9. You'll defeat the enemy who wants to divide you.** Remember he prowls around like a roaring lion looking for a couple to devour (1 Peter 5:8). (adapted from: <http://www.doingfamilyright.com/>).