



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

**Children's Ministry.....9 am & 10:30am, Sundays**  
Corinne King (760) 533-3562 or Patty Uhland (760) 745-4995  
Nursery, preschool and grades 1st- 5th.

**IGNITE High School .....6-8pm, Sundays**  
Tommy Peterson at tommy@bethelconnect.org  
Meets for games, fellowship & Bible Study.

**Financial Peace University.....6:30-8pm, Mondays**  
Rick Vetter, at 4vetters@cox.net.  
Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University will assist you in taking control of your money, get out of debt, and create a plan for your future. We're offering this class at Bethel, in the Fellowship Center from September 11th to November 6th. Contact Rick with any questions.

**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.

**IGNITE Jr. High .....6-8pm, Wednesdays**  
Tommy Peterson at tommy@bethelconnect.org  
Meets for games, fellowship & Bible Study.

**Adult Bible Study.....10-11am, Thursdays**  
Dennis Merkes is teaching from Ephesians, in the Fellowship Center.

**Men's Bible Study.....6-8pm, Thursdays**  
Bruce Hitchcock (714) 420-1092  
Bruce is teaching a study on The 31 Attributes of God.

**Women's Bible Study.....6-8pm, Thursdays**  
Debbie Baldwin (760) 215-8471  
The women are reading the book, "Having a Mary Heart in A Martha World", *finding intimacy with God in the busyness of life.*

**AWANA .....6-8pm, Thursdays**  
Stacie Bigbee awana@bethelconnect.org or (619) 203-2422  
For children 3 years through High School.

**Volunteer Appreciation Banquet.....6pm, October 6**  
Debbie Peters debbie@bethelconnect.org  
ALL volunteers are welcome. If you did not receive an invitation in the mail, please let Debbie know asap!

**Bethel Connection.....6pm, October 10**  
2018 calendar planning meeting. Ministry leaders, come prepared to calendar your events for the coming year.

## Continued Aid for Hurricane Harvey

Thank you to all who donated all of the much needed items to take to the Angels! We now have another opportunity to help ~

You can give directly through First Baptist Church in Houston via their LOVEFIRST Harvey Relief ministry.

**Online:** Go to <https://pushpay.com/pay/hfbclovefirst/>  
**On Mobile:** Text LOVEFIRST to 77977 for a secure link  
**BY MAIL:** Send checks to:  
Houston's First Baptist Church  
Attn: LOVEFIRST Disaster Relief  
7401 Katy Freeway  
Houston, TX 77024

## Ministry Opportunities

**Coffee Cart Team.....Sundays**  
Melissa Fryburger (760) 270-0421

**Good News Club at Miller School....date and time to be determined**  
Martha Sager msager@cox.net or Patty Uhland (760) 745-4995  
This is a ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship. Children are taught from the Bible, sing songs, play games, enjoy crafts. Help is needed to re-open this vital ministry again.

**Bethel Intercessory Prayer Ministry (all in the 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;  
**1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:prayer@bethelconnect.org).*

**A Call to Serve Our Neighbor! .....September 25**  
Bethel has the opportunity to demonstrate our appreciation and support of the administration, staff and teachers at Miller School on Monday September 25. Please bring baked goods (purchased or home baked) fruit, nuts, cheese or yogurt to Bethel's kitchen on today, September 24. They will be delivered tomorrow morning to Miller School as a token of our gratitude for the vital role they're playing in raising up the next generation. Please contact Gail Brunner (760) 580-0754 or Martha Sager (760) 917-2111.

### Pause to Pray for Your Bible Reading

As Christians we come to God's Word willing and hungry because the Holy Spirit first makes us willing and hungry to receive. This is why we ask for help before we start reading. Consider praying one or more of the below cited prayers based on Psalm 119 before you receive from God's Word each day:

- Pray to seek God with your whole heart (vv. 2-3).
- Pray for eyes open to behold wondrous things from God's Word (v. 18).
- Pray for delight in, and longing for, God's Word (vv. 36, 40).
- Pray for quick and unwavering obedience to God's commands (v. 60).
- Pray for good judgment and knowledge (v. 66).
- Pray for comfort in God's steadfast love (v. 76).
- Pray for endurance against the deceitful ways of the enemy (v. 86).
- Pray for dependence on God's enduring Word (vv. 89-94).
- Pray for continual meditation on His Word (v. 97).
- Pray for the light of scripture to guide you (v. 105).
- Pray for a healthy fear of the Lord (v. 120).
- Pray for victory over temptation and sin (v. 133).
- Pray for joy even in times of trouble (v. 143).
- Pray for God to hear and heed you (v. 149).
- Pray for mercy (v. 156).
- Pray for a hatred for falsehood and love for God's law (v. 163).
- Pray for a soul filled with praise (v. 175). (adapted from: <https://kristenwetherell.com/>)