



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 School6-8pm, 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. High6-8pm, 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.

AWANA6-8pm, Thursdays
Stacie Bigbee awana@bethelconnect.org or (619) 203-2422
For children 3 years through High School.

Family Worship Day.....10:30am, October 29
Every month with a 5th Sunday, the children attend worship with their parents. This is an important time of worship experience and learning for the children.

BETHEL'S Trunk or Treat.....6-8pm, Tuesday, October 31
Patty Uhland patty@bethelconnect.org or 760 745-4995
Invite your family, friends and be sure to help!

Operation Christmas Child Packing Party 12pm, November 4
Kim Kissling (410) 980-6036
The Bethel Women's Ministry is hosting the party in the Fellowship Center. Please pick up a flyer from the foyer shelves for approved Operation Christmas Child gift ideas. There will be two boxes in the foyer, one for gift donations, and a smaller one for monetary donations to offset the shipping costs of \$9 per box.

AWC Fall Giving Banquet

Alternatives Women's Center hosts their giving banquet with speaker, Abby Johnson, ex-Planned Parenthood Director, turned profile advocate, and NY Times best-selling author.

7-9pm, October 26
California Center for the Arts
Semi Formal Attire
Light food and desserts served

The event and program are complimentary. There will be an opportunity to make a tax deductible gift during the evening.

Ministry Opportunities

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

Good News Club at Miller School.....2pm, Mondays
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.

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;
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.

Continue Aid for Hurricane Harvey
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

Pause to Pray Like the First Church Prayed

In his message last Sunday, Pastor Todd noted that prayer was one of the key elements in the explosive growth of the first church, as described in the book of Acts. Here are some examples:

- The church was born in an extended prayer meeting. (Acts 1:13,14)
- Prayer was part of choosing leadership. (Acts 1:24-25).
- Prayer resulted from the Spirit's empowering. (Acts 2:4, 42-47).
- On the way to prayer, a man was healed and revival broke out (Acts 3:1-10).
- An external crisis drove the church to prayer (Acts 4:27-31).
- An internal conflict led the apostles to prioritize their time of prayer together (Acts 6:1-6).
- Prayer was prominent as persecution began and Christians were scattered (Acts 8:1-2).
- Prayer was vital to bringing the gospel to the Gentiles (Acts 11:14-18).
- Prayer was instrumental in Peter's escape from prison (Acts 12:1-9).
- Prayer gave birth to the first missionary journey (Acts 13:1-3).
- Prayer was also instrumental in Paul's second missionary journey (Acts 16:6-10)

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Pray for the Nations: Pray for God's peace and reconciliation to overcome all hatred, conflict, and war in Ukraine.