

02.18.2024

Welcome to you and your family! We are glad you've joined us this morning. The service can also be viewed in the fellowship hall and nursery (up the stairs, first door on the left). Kindly silence your electronic devices during worship.

Adult Ed Class: Claiming God's Promises! Adults, join us for the "second half", 11:00 a.m. to noon in the fellowship hall as we discuss some of the main promises of God and how we can experience them in our lives.

Council Meeting -- Today following Sunday School hour. The meeting is open to the congregation.

Blanketmakers -- will meet Wednesday, February 21 at 9:00 a.m.

Women's Fellowship: During the month of February they are collecting items for *Tommy's House*. There is a list of current needs in the lobby. Donations may be placed on the table in the fellowship hall. Their next meeting is March 12 at 1:00 p.m.

In Case of Inclement Weather -- Worship service will be available on Facebook or YouTube at 9:30 a.m. Pastors Jim and Dave will normally be at church for those who want to brave the weather and venture out. *Please remember those with mobility issues and leave the parking spaces closest to the entry doors open.*



Peace-today.com-- an online resource for podcasts, books, research and testimonials on some of the topics from this summer's sermon series. Scan the QR code to the left or pick up a flier in the lobby.

Ways to Give: Offering plates are in the lobby. Donations can be made online by going to bethelgilead.org (Donate tab), or by scanning the QR code to the left and using PayPal. You can authorize a monthly debit from your bank account -- contact the office.

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Live the Life
Extend the Kingdom*
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Announcements and Opening Prayer

Opening Worship:

*Psalm 18: I Will Call Upon the Lord
Micah 5:8: He Has Told You O Man
Sing Hallelujah to the Lord*

The Faith Factor

The righteous will live by faith ([Romans 1:17](#))

So far: Faith is basic, active, objective.

Today: Faith is receptive. It's the means through which we receive *the benefits and blessings of God*.

The Promises of God

I. God is a Promise Maker

- *The Example of Abraham ([Romans 4:20-21](#))
- *The Abrahamic Covenant ([Genesis 12:1-3](#))
- *The Promise of Progeny ([Genesis 15:1-6](#))

II. Promises fulfilled through faith (handout)

Now faith is being sure of what you hope for....([Hebrews 11:1](#))

1. Eternal Salvation

([John 3:16](#), [Romans 10:9,13](#))

2. A New Identity

([2 Corinthians 5:17](#), [Ephesians 5:8](#), [1 Peter 2:9](#))

3. The Presence of God

([Matthew 28:20](#), [Hebrews 13:5](#))

4. Power to Live By

([Acts 1:8](#), [2 Peter 1:3-4](#), [Philippians 4:13](#))

5. Divine Providence

([Philippians 4:19](#), [1 John 5:14-15](#), [2 Corinthians 9:8](#))

6. Inner Peace

([John 14:27](#), [Philippians 4:6-7](#))

III. The Christ Connection

For no matter how many promises God has made, the answer is "yes" in Christ. And so through him, the "Amen" is spoken by us to the glory of God. ([2 Corinthians 1:20](#))

Application

1. Are you aware of all the promises God has made?
2. Do you believe God has the power to do what he says?
3. Will you trust him and find out?

Closing Song: *Standing on the Promises of God – Hymn 271 (V. 1,2,4)*

Our Mission

"We honor God through regularly assembling together to worship Him as Lord, study and obey His word, and attend to the needs of His people. When we leave, we go out commissioned as Christ's representatives to a needy world."

Prayer Concerns

Recent additions

Pastor Luis Otero -- recovering from stroke
The family of Ron Hagaman
Frank and Flo Cabrera -- passing of Flo's brother, Lalo
Kevin Stutzman -- healing from a broken wrist
Carl Stahly -- recovering from a fall
Veronica Hannah -- Heart arrhythmia
Wanda Debolt - in hospice care

Continue to Remember Those in Need

Jim Wickey -- lower back pain
The Carpenter Family
Lisa Franks -- pain management
Dale Davis -- dialysis

Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Betty Carpenter -- Laurels
Don Rubley -- at home

Pray for our nation and the world during these uncertain days