

**August Sermon Series** -- Back by popular demand *"Four More Hot Potatoes"* will begin next Sunday, August 8 and will address four more controversial current issues from a biblical perspective. Check out the insert in your bulletin for the planned topics.

**Women's Fellowship** -- meets Tuesday, August 10 at 1:00 p.m. During the month of August, they will be collecting items for Beginnings Care for Life's *Life Essentials* program. There is a list of current needs in the lobby. Donations can be placed in the box in the fellowship hall.

**Music at the Market** -- every Monday in August at 7:00 p.m at the Farmers' Market Pavilion in Bronson. Plan now to attend the concert on August 16 sponsored by area churches, featuring the *Allen Family Singers*. You can learn more about them and hear some of their music at [allenministries.com](http://allenministries.com)

**Harvest Table** -- *"Leave some, take some"* extra produce from the garden on the table in the lobby.

**Summer Baptisms** -- If you haven't been baptized and want to be, please contact Pastor Jim about a baptismal service coming up in August.

**LifeWalk&Run** -- Saturday, August 7 at First Baptist Church in Coldwater. A 5K run and 1 mile walk, plus lots of other activities, all to benefit Beginnings Care for Life Center. Registration forms are in the lobby or go to [www.beginningscare.com](http://www.beginningscare.com)

**Branch County Right to Life** will have a booth at the 4-H Fair, August 8-14 and could use some volunteers for shifts 11-3, 3-7 and 7 til closing. Please see Jennie deAraujo (or call 517-260-9962) if you can help.

**Ways to Give:** Offering plates are in the lobby. Donations can be made online by going to [bethelgilead.org](http://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 by completing a form (on the information desk in the lobby or contact the office).



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**Call to Worship:** Piano

**Opening Worship:** Victory in Jesus  
Jesus Saves!  
Tell Me the Old, Old Story  
Leaning of the Everlasting Arms

JOB TO JUDE: *Contend for the Faith*  
([Ephesians 6:10-20](#))

I. Knowing Who You Are ([Job 1:8](#))

- A servant ([Jude 1:1](#))
- A brother ([v.1](#))
- God's holy people ([v.3](#))

II. "For Such are Times as This" ([Cain, Balaam's Error, Korah's Rebellion](#))

- "Individuals who have slipped in among you" ([v. 4; 2 Peter 2:1-3](#))
  - Pervert Grace
  - Deny Lordship of Christ
  - Divide you (follow mere natural instincts and have not the Spirit)

III. Woe to...([Matt. 23:13](#))

- False teachers
- To us ([v.12.](#))

IV. A Call to Persevere ([Rev. 2:7](#))

- Build yourselves up in your "Most Holy Faith"
- "Show mercy mixed with fear" ([vs. 22-23](#))

**Application**

([Doxology vs 24-25](#))

1. Do you know your identity?
2. Do you recognize the times we are living?
3. Do you contend for the truth?
4. Are you persevering?

# Live the Life with Prayer



## Recent additions

Diane Tagert - recovering from knee surgery  
Lynn Mayer -- recovering from surgery  
Donna Green-- recovering from a fall  
Jen Byler -- diverticulitis  
Neil Hannah -- heart and lung issues  
Sue Craft -- sciatic nerve issues  
Jonas Rigg -- sciatic nerve issues  
Lisa Franks -- pain management  
Dale Davis - dialysis and chemo treatments

## Praise

Tim and Kristi Long's new son -- Mark Emmanuel -- born May 28  
Emily Britton -- successful knee replacement

## Continue to Remember Those in Need

Jennie deAraujo's cousin's son, Nate, pray for strength and immunity  
Russ Heckathorn -- immunotherapy for lung cancer  
Arwen Mallay -- twelve-year-old being treated for stage 4 neuroblastoma

## Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Norita Skinner -- Maple Lawn  
Shirley Bogen -- Drew's Place

## Pray for our nation during these uncertain days

*"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."*

### Victory in Jesus

I heard an old, old story  
How a Savior came from glory  
How He gave His life on Calvary  
To save a wretch like me:  
I heard about His groaning  
Of His precious blood's atoning  
Then I repented of my sins and won the victory

O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever  
He sought me and bought me  
with His redeeming blood  
He loved me ere I knew Him  
and all my love is due Him  
He plunged me to victory  
beneath the cleansing flood

I heard about His healing  
Of His cleansing pow'r revealing  
How He made the lame to walk again  
And caused the blind to see;  
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus,  
come and heal my broken spirit"  
And somehow Jesus came and brought  
to me the victory

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### Jesus Saves!

We have heard the joyful sound -- Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
Spread the tidings all around -- Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
Bear the news to every land  
Climb the steepes and cross the waves  
Onward! 'tis our Lord's command -- Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Waft it on the rolling tide -- Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
Tell to sinners far and wide -- Jesus saves! Jesus saves!  
Sing, ye islands of the sea!  
Echo back, ye ocean caves!  
Earth shall keep her jubilee -- Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

### Tell Me the Old, Old Story

Tell me the old, old story  
Of unseen things above  
Of Jesus and His glory,  
Of Jesus and His love.  
Tell me the story simply  
As to a little child  
For I am weak and weary  
And helpless and defiled.

Tell me the old, old story  
Tell me the old, old story  
Tell me the old, old story  
Of Jesus and His love.

Tell the story slowly  
That I may take it in  
That wonderful redemption  
God's remedy for sin  
Tell me the story often  
For I forget so soon  
The early dew of morning  
Has passed away at noon.

Tell me the old, old story  
Tell me the old, old story  
Tell me the old, old story  
Of Jesus and His love.

**Leaning on the Everlasting Arms**

What a fellowship  
What a joy divine  
Leaning on the everlasting arms  
What a blessedness  
What a peace is mine  
Leaning on the everlasting arms

Leaning, leaning  
Safe and secure from all alarms  
Leaning, leaning  
Leaning on the everlasting arms

O how sweet to walk  
in this pilgrim way  
Leaning on the everlasting arms  
O, how bright the path  
grows from day to day,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

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Safe and secure from all alarms  
Leaning, leaning  
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