ANNOUNCEMENTS, REMINDERS **AND EVENTS**

Sunday School -- classes for all ages will meet today after worship. The adults will meet with Pastor Jim in the fellowship hall.

Council Meeting: today following Sunday school classes.

Nominations for three council positions are open through October 25. Nomination forms are available in the lobby (or call the office to obtain one).

Family Promise -- there are sign up sheets available for providing evening meals for families the week of November 16-22. Meals will need to be delivered to 311 West Chicago in Coldwater by 6:00 p.m.

Altar Flowers are provided by Sherry McNees in memory of her husband, Mike.

Small Groups -- are organizing for the fall. Check your bulletin insert for days and locations. The Thursday afternoon group is also available via Zoom and Facebook -- see Pastor Dave for details.

BGCC Cookbook Corrections: There are a couple of corrections to make in your copy of the new recipe book. The first item on page 1 of the index should read "Black Bean Dip". Under Main Dish, page 12, the recipe for "Ham Loaf" should include 1/2 cup tomato juice.

Card Shower-- Eloise Franke's 90th birthday is November 4. Please consider sending her a birthday card at 557 Slisher Road, Bronson, MI 49028



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. You can also authorize a monthly debit from your bank account by completing a form in the lobby and turning it in with a voided check.

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Gilead Community Bethel Block Rd. Bronson MI. 49028

8 October

"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."

Order of Worship

Worship Songs:

Raise a Hallelujah There's Power in the Blood You Say O Come to the Altar

Message: Handle With Care

Introduction: Black Lives Matter

I. Race and Judeo/Christian Principles

A.Our sense of "Truth and Justice"

"The Moral Law of the Universe"

B. The Concept of "Race"

"One race, many ethnicities" (Acts 17:26)

*Imago Dei (Genesis 1:26-28)

C. Moral Responsibility

Love your neighbor as yourself (Matthew 22:39)

*The Jewish National Mandate (Exodus 22:21)

God upholds the cause of the oppressed...and watches over the alien (Psalm 146:7.9)

*The Model of the Church (Galatians 3:26-28)

Whatever you do to the least of these, you do it unto me (Matthew 24:40)

II. Race Relations and Social Justice

Black Lives Matter (BLM)

*Recent History

*Some Basic Postulates

*Major Inconsistencies

*Social Implications

III. The Heart of the Matter

......lt's a matter of the heart! (Proverbs 4:23)

(Genesis 6;5, Matthew 15;19)

1. Preach the gospel (Hebrews 4:12)

2. Engage the culture (Matthew 5:16)

* Watts L.A. 1984

Application

(Proverbs 14:8)

- 1. What is the condition of your heart before God?
- 2. Do you believe that racism at its root is a spiritual problem?
- 3. Are you a Good Samaritan?

(Luke 10:25-37)

Closing Song: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying Hymn 429

Live the Life with Prayer



Recent additions

Dale Davis - recovering from surgery The family of Dawn Lane The family of Rick Wilcox

Praises

Keith McGuire -- recovered from Coronavirus Quinn Alece Dules -- born to Chance and Kylei Dules on August 20. Byler family - recovered from Corona Virus

Continue to Remember Those in Need

Jennie deAraujo's cousin's son, Nate, battling infection after transplant

Ron Will -- being fitted for a glass eye

Jay Brinkman -- brain tumor

Steve Byler's sister, Joyce - cancer

Dan Minard -- Dave's brother, pancreatic cancer

Sharon Shyrigh -- kidney concerns

Kathy Will's sister, Chris -- heart problems

Charlie Nussbaum -- 7 year old with brain tumor

Frank Cabrera's brother - Tito, cirrhosis of liver

Melissa Houtz's cousin, Holly Haynes Lamb -- colon cancer

Diane Dudley's brother, Doug, -- lung cancer

Sarah Jane Fair - back and hip pain lim Wickey -- several health issues

Neil Hannah -- heart and lung issues

Kristi Long's dad -- prostate 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 Eric Smotherman -- COPD

Pray for our nation during these uncertain days

Pray for the upcoming elections

Raise a Hallelujah

I raise a hallelujah
in the presence of my enemies
I raise a hallelujah
louder than the unbelief
I raise a hallelujah
my weapon is a melody
I raise a hallelujah
Heaven comes to fight for me.

I'm gonna sing
in the middle of the storm
Louder and louder
you're gonna heaer my praises roar
Up from the ashes
hope will arise
Death is defeated
the King is alive

I raise a hallelujah
with everything inside of me
I raise a hallelujah
I will watch the darkness flee
I raise a hallelujah
in the middle of the mystery
I raise a hallelujah
Fear, you lost your hold on me.

I'm gonna sing
in the middle of the storm
Louder and louder
you're gonna heaer my praises roar
Up from the ashes
hope will arise
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Sing a little louder (sing a little louder) Sing a little louder (sing a little louder) Sing a little louder (sing a little louder) Sing a little louder (sing a little louder)

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I raise a hallelujah I raise a hallelujah I raise a hallelujah I raise a hallelujah (repeat)

Power in the Blood

Would you be free from the burden of sin?
There's power in the blood, power in the blood
Would you o'er evil a victory win?
There's wonder power in the blood

There is power, power wonder-working power in the blood of the Lamb There is power, power wonder-working power in the precious blood of the Lamb

Would you be whiter, much whiter than snow?

There's power in the blood

power in the blood;

Sin stains are lost in its life giving flow
There's wonderful power in the blood.

There is power, power wonder-working power in the blood of the Lamb There is power, power wonder-working power in the precious blood of the Lamb

Would you do service for Jesus your King?
There's power in the blood
power in the blood;
Would you live daily His praises to sing?
There's wonderful power in the blood.

There is power, power
wonder-working power
in the blood of the Lamb
There is power, power
wonder-working power
in the precious blood of the Lamb
(repeat)

You Say

I keep fighting voices in my mind
that say I'm not enough
Every single lie that tells me
I will never measure up
Am I more than just the sum
of every high and every low?
Remind me once again
just who I am becaise I need to know
Ooh Oh

You say I am loved when I can't feel a thing You say I am strong when I think I am weak And You say I am held when I am falling short And when I don't belong Oh You say I am Yours

> And I believe, oh I believe what You say of me I believe

The only thing that matters now is everything You think of me in You I find my worth in You I find my identity

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> And I believe, oh I believe what You say of me I believe

Taking all I have and now I'm laying it at your feet
You have every failure God
You have every victory

You say I am loved when I can't feel a thing You say I am strong when I think I am weak And You say I am held when I am falling short And when I don't belong Oh You say I am Yours

And I believe, oh I believe
what You say of me
I believe
Oh I believe, oh
Yes, I believe, oh
What You say of me
Oh I believe

O Come to the Altar

Are you hurting and broken within overwhelmed by the weight of your sin Jesus is calling have you come to the end of yourself Do you thirst for a drink from the well Jesus is calling

O come to the altar the Father's arms are open wide Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ. Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling

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> Oh what a Savior Isn't He wonderful Sing alleluia, Christ is risen Bow down before Him For He is Lord of all Sing alleluia, Christ is risen

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Bear your cross as you wait for the crown Tell the world of the treasure you've found

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

Lord, listen to your children praying
Lord, send Your Spirit in this place
Lord, listen to Your children praying
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.