

Call to Worship: Blessed Be Your Name

Announcements and Opening Prayer

Opening Worship: I Have Decided
Great is Thy Faithfulness
Living Hope
Shout to the Lord

A Firm Foundation

(Matthew 7:24-25)

STORM WARNINGS

I. Five Likely Storms of Life (John 16:33)

1. Societal issues, International events
2. Relationship conflicts
3. Financial crisis
4. Health problems
5. Death!

II. Jesus' Words Fortify Our Lives (John 8:31-32)

- *Foundational truths
- *Fundamental principles
- *Our response = faith and obedience!

III. The Devil Seeks Our Destruction

- *The thief come to kill, steal and destroy (John 10:10)
- *Your adversary, the devil, is looking for someone to devour (1 Peter 5:8)
- *Our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against rulers, authorities, powers and spiritual forces of evil (Ephesians 6:12)
- *The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers (2 Corinthians 4:4)

**Satan's Four Aces (Adult Ed Class)*

Application

1. How are you preparing for the coming storms?
2. What foundational truths and fundamental principles are you depending on to fortify your life?
3. Can you recognize the devil's attempts to discourage, defeat and destroy you?

Closing Song: Awesome God

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

Carl Stahly -- aortic aneurysm
Melody Davenport -- kidney stones
Joe Smotherman -- blood clots on lungs
David and Mindy Fuchs -- moving to West Virginia
Norita Skinner -- in hospice care
Dawn Bennett -- recovering from surgery
Bruce Kaufman -- recovering from surgery
The family of Cathy Overholt, Jack Florent's sister-in-law
The family of Kathy Will
The deAraujo family -- loss of grandson, Luke
The Wickey Family -- loss of grandson and nephew
Angelina James -- treatment for Chronic Fatigue Syndrome

Continue to Remember Those in Need

Jim Wickey -- lower back pain
Tim McKinley -- treatment for digestive issues
The Carpenter Family
Dale Davis -- dialysis and cancer treatment
Lisa Franks -- pain management

Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Betty Carpenter -- Laurels
Don Rubley -- at home

Pray for our nation and the world during these uncertain days

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Welcome to our worship service. We are glad you are joining us today! There is extra seating available in our fellowship hall. Kindly silence your phone before service.

Adult Ed Classes Today -- *Grief Share* meets in the overflow room; *Storm Insurance: Preparing for the Top Five Storms of Life* meets in the fellowship hall.

Michigan March for Life -- Wednesday, November 8. There is a bus going to Lansing from Coldwater. This is a free event. For more information check out your bulletin insert.

Annual Meeting -- Sunday, November 12 following worship service. There will be a vote to amend Article VII, Section 7 of the church by-laws. There is a sample copy of the proposed changes in the lobby. There will also be a vote for three church council positions. The current council members are: Marcia Goheen, Frank Cabrera, Lisa Franks, Steve Byler, Scott Carpenter, Tim Long and Bob Mayer

Video series -- If you have borrowed the “*American Heritage*” video series, please return it to the church library for use by a small group. Thank you!

Women’s Fellowship -- During the month of October they are collecting items for *Foster Closet of Branch County*. There is a list of current needs in the lobby. Please place your donations on the table in the fellowship hall.

Save the Date: Plan to experience *The Lighting of Shiphewana* on November 11 at 7:00 p.m. For more information, go to [The Lighting of Shiphewana](#).



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 on-line 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 by completing a form (contact the office).

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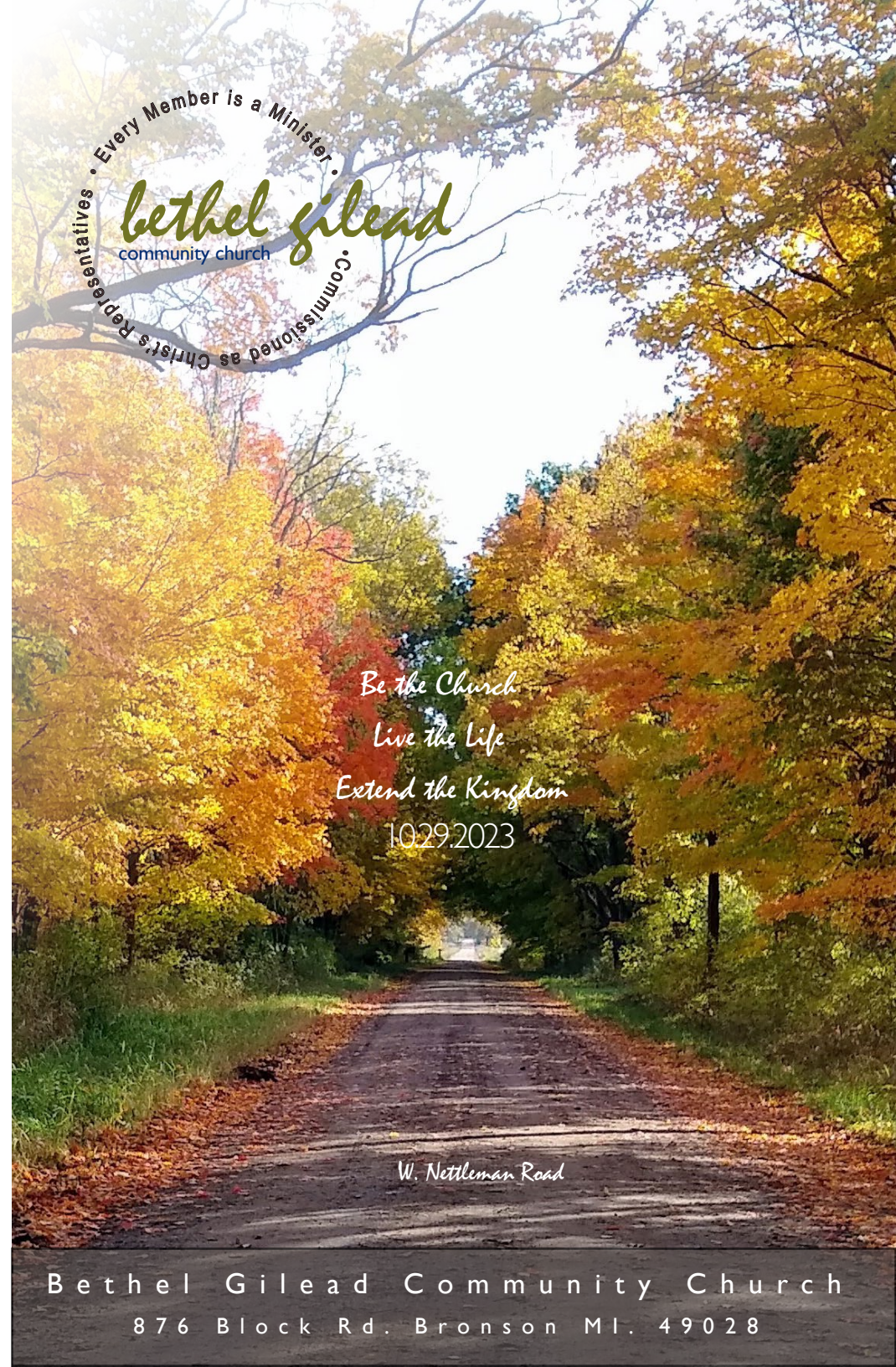
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Be the Church

Live the Life

Extend the Kingdom

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