

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

**TODAY** *We are glad that you chose to join us for worship today!! Please use a prayer card in the chair rack or on the Information Center to communicate a prayer request or need for a visit or call from pastor.*

**ARE YOU READY TO RUMBLE???** -- Join us today following worship service for a Chili Cook-Off, Cupcake Wars and Dress Up Duel for the kids. There is no Sunday School today.

**Church Directory** -- Pictures for a new church directory will be taken on *Wednesday, November 29 and Thursday, November 30 from 2:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.* Schedule your appointment today either in the lobby or by going to the church's website, [www.bethelgilead.org](http://www.bethelgilead.org) (Monday after 12 noon - Friday 12 noon) to schedule online. Please call the office with any questions or with help making an appointment.

**Women's Fellowship** is again selling pecans for your holiday baking needs. They are in the refrigerator freezer in the kitchen and are \$10.00 per bag -- payment can go to Jo Mayer.

**THIS WEEK** **Small Groups** are not meeting this week due to the Thanksgiving holiday. There will be no Sunday School next Sunday, 11/26.

**Beginnings Care For Life Center's Baby Bottle Campaign** -- Pick up an empty baby bottle in the lobby, fill it with loose change or cash and return it by November 26. There is also information available about Beginnings.

**NEXT MONTH** **Family Promise** -- We will be hosting again the week of Dec. 10-16. Please consider how you might be able to help and let Pastor Dave or the office know.

**Poinsettias** -- If you would like to help decorate the altar for December, please bring in a poinsettia starting December 3. You can pick up your plant on December 31. Thank you!!

**Advent Readings** -- If you and your family would like to participate in the Advent readings in December, please see Melissa Houtz or let the office know.

**PLEASE NOTE** **March for Life** -- there is information in the lobby regarding the March for Life, which will be January 19, 2018. Early registration is due December 1. See Jennie deAraujo with any questions.

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## NOVEMBER 19, 2017

SERVICE: 9:30 AM

JUNIOR CHURCH: 10:10 AM

CHRISTIAN ED: 11:15 AM



### MISSION STATEMENT

"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."

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NURSERY..... Anna Mae Wickey and Shanda Carpenter  
SOUND ROOM..... Kenny Bennett and Brian Eley

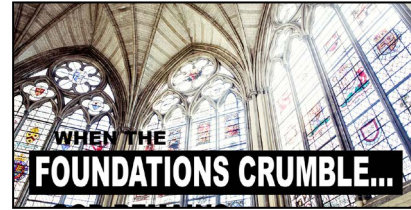
## ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS..... David Minard  
OPENING WORSHIP..... Praise Team  
    *Lord I Lift Your Name on High* ..... Chorus  
    *10,000 Reasons* ..... Chorus  
    *Cornerstone*..... Chorus  
    *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*..... Chorus  
OFFERING ..... Solano deAraujo  
JUNIOR CHURCH (TODDLERS-GRADE 5) ..... Dismissal  
MESSAGE..... David Minard  
    *Cornerstone*..... Reprise

*Altar flowers are provided by Brandon and Shanda Carpenter and family  
in memory of Jeffrey Carpenter (Brandon's father).*

## CHRISTIAN ED CLASSES CLASSES RESUME 12/3/17

TODDLERS..... Marcia Albright  
GRADES 1-5..... Michelle Lake  
    *Room B*  
JUNIOR HIGH..... Sharon McMeen  
    *Room D*  
SENIOR HIGH..... Solano and Jennie deAraujo  
    *Youth Room downstairs*  
YOUNG ADULTS..... Ronda Falknor and Dawn Bennett  
    *Library*  
THE TRUTH PROJECT..... Paul Alger  
    *Blanketmakers Room downstairs*  
FOUNDATIONS..... David Minard  
    *Fellowship Hall*



## COUNTERING LIES THAT DESTROY LIVES

*Jesus answered: "Watch out that no one deceives you."  
(Matthew 24:4)*

### INTRODUCTION:

"In the beginning God..." and He continues what He has started. God has not abandoned His very good plan. He remains faithful and steadfast to what He has started. He continues this very good work of Faith, Hope and Love toward mankind. He shares that plan as a gift for us in the person of Jesus Christ. We too may have Faith, Hope and Love. "Now I see dimly as in a mirror," said the Apostle Paul, "but then, I shall know it fully." Eventually, Faith and Hope will be realized as with Love. God's plan has always been and has never taken a rest because God has never taken a rest, [Psalm 121:3-4](#) states that "He who keeps you will not slumber. Behold, He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep." Therefore, while we remain here on earth let us **know** Faith, let us **know** Hope and let us **know** Love. It is keeping with God's very good plan.

### I. FAITH IS ASSURANCE NOT INSURANCE ([Hebrews 11:1](#))

- Assurance vs Insurance [1 Thessalonians 1:2-6](#)
  - Assurance: confidence or certainty in **one's own** abilities.  
    *You or God: where is your assurance?*
  - Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego ([Daniel 3](#))

### II. FAITH IS HOPE NOT DOPE

- Hope that does not disappoint  
    [Romans 5:1-5](#) • [Romans 9:31-33](#) • [Psalm 119:113-120](#)
- Dope that disappoints  
    [Jeremiah 7:4,9-11](#) • [Galatians 6:7-10](#)

### III. FAITH IS CONVICTION NOT MANIPULATION

- Conviction is self giving [James 5:15-18](#)
- Manipulation is self serving [Act 19:13-16](#)

### APPLICATION:

1. Assurance God gives you, Insurance for those you leave behind.
2. Who is your hope dealer, not your dope dealer?
3. Is your faith self giving or self serving?

## A Call to Prayer



### Recent additions

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- *Renee Streets* -- Jan Carpenter's sister -- recovering from heart cath.
- The family of *Linda Smith's sister, Lorna*.
- *Jennie Williamson* -- final stages of ALS
- *Ethan Metzger* --student in Bronson; seizures
- Rick Hollister's mother, *Kathleen's* health.
- *Jen Byler's stepdad, Rex* -- detached retina
- *Gary Ratkowski* -- undergoing 12 rounds of chemotherapy at U of M.
- *Mary Stall* -- Dale Davis' cousin--undergoing treatment for stage 4 cancer.
- *Jim Comb*- starting experimental treatment.

### Continue to remember those in need

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- *Dorothy Gorrell* --Carpenter's son-in-law's grandmother -- recovering from open heart surgery; is home and getting stronger.
- *Erwins* -- fall sabbatical
- *Wanda DeBolt* -- heart issues
- Brandon Carpenter's brother-in-law, *Eric Algrim and family*, major heart issues.
- *Jim Eley* is at Maple Lawn, room 508.
- *Carmel Roberts* - health issues
- *Rick Wilcox* - Alzheimer's, failing health

### Praises

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