

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

### TODAY

*We are glad you chose to worship with us today! If you need to meet with one of pastors or have a special prayer request, please complete one of the cards under the chair in front of you or at the Information Center and drop it in the offering plate.*

### THIS WEEK

**Youth Group** will not meet today because of the winter retreat.

**Small Groups** -- plan on joining one of the groups listed in your bulletin. Your group can use the outline in the bulletin or check out the other resources on the book rack in the lobby.

**Leadership Retreat** -- January 27, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Coldwater Heritage Park Lodge. This is for all Council members, teachers and Ministry Team Leaders. Lunch will be provided.

### PLEASE NOTE

**Weather Cancellations** -- If church is to be cancelled due to inclement weather, it will be decided and announced on WTVB radio or posted on the church website, [www.bethelgilead.org](http://www.bethelgilead.org). by 8:00 a.m.

**Ladies Alive Retreat** -- a ladies winter get-away retreat is planned for February 3 at First Baptist in Coldwater. Information and registration forms are in the lobby.

**Communication Cards** -- if you would like to receive text messages regarding cancellations, prayer requests and/or announcements/reminders, please complete a card (available in the offering plate).

**Announcements** -- If you have pictures of a church event or an interesting nature photo that you would like added to the announcements powerpoint, please email them to the church office at [office@bethelgilead.org](mailto:office@bethelgilead.org) or text them to Pastor David at his cell number, 517.756.8000. We need them by noon on Friday if at all possible.

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## JANUARY 21, 2018

**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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**JANUARY 21, 2018**

NURSERY..... Shanda Carpenter and Char Kaufman

SOUND ROOM..... Kenny Bennett

GREETERS..... Tyson and Lisa Franks

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS..... David Minard

OPENING WORSHIP ..... Praise Team

*Open the Eyes of My Heart*..... Chorus

*Our God is Greater*..... Chorus

*Doxology* ..... Chorus

*Create in Me a Clean Heart* ..... Chorus

OFFERING ..... Jim Wickey

MISSION MOMENT ..... Tijuana Team

MESSAGE ..... Jim Erwin

*Seek Ye First*..... Hymn 42

*Altar flowers are provided by Greg and Nikki Maertin  
in memory of their grandson, Joseph Marcuz.*

## **CHRISTIAN ED CLASSES**

TODDLERS..... Marcia Albright

GRADES 1-5 (Room B)..... Kim Erwin

JUNIOR HIGH (Room D) ..... Sharon McMeen

SENIOR HIGH (Youth Room downstairs) ..... David Erwin

YOUNG ADULTS (Library) ..... Ronda Falknor and Dawn Bennett

THE TRUTH PROJECT (Blanketmakers Room downstairs)..... Paul Alger

FOUNDATIONS (Fellowship Hall) ..... David Minard

## **MESSAGE**

### **PRIME TIME PARABLES**

#### **INTRODUCTION:**

Last week: The Great Banquet

Today: The Rich Fool

*(Luke 12:14-34)*

#### **I. CONTEXT = GREED (verses 13-14)**

A man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.  
(verse 15)

Philosophies of Life

\*What's the point of life?

Life = \_\_\_\_\_

(Materialism, hedonism, activism.....)

#### **II. BEING "RICH TOWARD GOD"?**

True wealth (according to Jesus)

The kingdom (verses 32-34)

#### **III. WHAT ABOUT THE NEEDS AND NECESSITIES OF LIFE?** (verses 22-31)

Get your priorities in line

But seek first the kingdom of God (verse 31)

### **APPLICATION**

1. What do you treasure? And therefore -- where is your heart these days?
2. What do you tend to worry about?
3. Are there any signs of greediness in your life/lifestyle?
4. How wealthy are you.....toward God?

**Next Sunday: Luke 15:1-32**



## A Call to Prayer

### Recent additions

- *Shanda Carpenter's father* -- stroke and heart complications
- *Brian DeBolt* - recuperating at home.
- The family of *Mary Sue Baldwin*
- *Jean LaClair* - at U of M Hospital undergoing treatment for leukemia
- *Sue Craft* - death of mother-in-law
- Family of *Lisa Frank's Uncle Tony*
- *Norita Skinner* -- back pain
- *Ron Will's niece's husband, Ernie*, stage 4 cancer.
- *Jennie Williamson* -- final stages of ALS
- *Mary Stall* -- Dale Davis' cousin--being tested to see if further treatment is needed.

### Continue to remember those in need

- Family of *Steve Russell*
- *Tina Graybill* - friend of Melissa Houtz, won't need chemotherapy; will need a couple more procedures..
- *Flo Cabrera's mother* -- health issues
- *Lee Bidwell* -- recovering at home from surgery.
- *Gary Ratkowski* -- undergoing 12 rounds of chemotherapy at U of M.
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