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 Women's Fellowship meets Tuesday, February 13 at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped host Family Promise this week.

MARK YOUR
CALENDARExecutive Committee will meet on February 19 at 7:00 p.m.,
followed by Council meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Church Safety Seminars -- Feb. 22 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. and Feb. 24, 9:00 -11:00 a.m. at the Promedica Conference Center. This event is sponsored by the Branch County Sheriff's Department and is open to the public. See Pastor David if you are interested in attending.

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. by 8:00 a.m.

Church website -- if you miss a Sunday, remember to check the website for the message, which will be posted by Sunday night.

Missionary Information -- be sure to check the bulletin stand in the lobby for updates and prayer requests from our missionaries.

The current **Adult Ed classes** will finish on March 4. New classes will begin on March 11.

Check out the small group resources on the book rack in the lobby. And don't forget to check out the books, tapes and DVD's in the church library, up the stairs at the end of the hall.

FEBRUARY 11, 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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NURSERY	Deb Springer and Sherry Neesley
SOUND ROOM	Kenny Bennett
GREETERS	Solano and Jennie deAraujo

ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS	David Minard
OPENING WORSHIP	Rick Hollister
O Come, Let Us Adore Him	Hymn 82
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee	Hymn 1
To God Be the Glory	Hymn 66
In His Time	Hymn 465
OFFERING	Jim Wickey
MESSAGE	Jim Erwin
Spirit of the Living God	Hymn 247

Altar flowers are provided by Tim and Melissa Houtz in memory of their grandparents.

CHRISTIAN ED CLASSES

Toddlers	Marcia Albright
GRADES 1-5 (Room B)	Kim Erwin
JUNIOR HIGH (Room D)	Sharon McMeen
Young Adults (Library) Rom	da Falknor and Dawn Bennett
THE TRUTH PROJECT (Blanketmakers Room downstairs) Paul Alger	
FOUNDATIONS (Fellowship Hall)	David Minard

MESSAGE

GOD TO THE RESCUE (Mark 2)

INTRODUCTION:

"Non-conformists and controversy"

I. HEALING A PARALYTIC (Mark 2:1-12)

Controversy #1 Jesus claims to forgive sins.

- II. AN OUTSIDER BROUGHT IN (Mark 2:13-20)Controversy #2Controversy #3Jesus associates with "sinners".Jesus disregards religious ceremonies.
- III. <u>HARVESTING ON THE SABBATH</u> (*Mark 2:23-28*)
 Controversy #4 Jesus breaks the Sabbath law.
 (verse 28) The Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath

IV. <u>New Wine!</u> (*Mark 2:21-22*)

*Religion of the heart (Ezekiel 36:26-27, Isaiah 29:13)

*The Letter vs. The Spirit (Romans 7:6)

*The Tyranny of Traditionalism

APPLICATION

- 1. Are you a conformist to tradition??
- 2. What do you consider controversial in modern day Christianity?
- 3. What old habits could limit God's doing a new thing in your life?
- 4. Who is an "outsider" that God might want you to bring in?





A Call to Prayer

Recent additions

- Madelyn Albright -- eye injury
- Amy Bryant broken wrist
- Mike McMeen -- Mark's dad, health issues
- Mason Pritchett -- stage 3 acute GVHD
- Shanda Carpenter's father -- recuperating at home, receiving rehabilitation.
- Brian DeBolt recuperating at home.
- The family of Mary Sue Baldwin
- Jean LaClair at home; will go back to U of M in two weeks.
- 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, end of life.
- Jennie Williamson -- final stages of ALS

Continue to remember those in need

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- Family of Steve Russell
- Flo Cabrera's mother -- health issues
- Gary Ratkowski -- undergoing 12 rounds of chemotherapy at U of M.
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- Carmel Roberts -- health issues.
- Rick Wilcox -- Alzheimer's; failing health

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