# 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.* 

Communion and potluck -- please join us today for a St. Patricks potluck after Sunday School hour.

## NEXT SUNDAY

**Spring Ahead** -- a reminder that we move our clocks forward one hour next weekend.

New Adult Ed classes will begin next Sunday, March 11. See the bulletin inserts for more information.

#### **UPDATE**

Missionary Information -- thank you for the outpouring of generosity for the Seth Mallay family, the missionaries who returned from South Africa so their 10-year old daughter, Arwan, can recieve treatment at U of M for Stage 4 Neuroblastoma. She is going through her second treatment currently. Please continue to pray for the Mallay family.

#### **PLEASE** NOTE

If you are interested in providing flowers for the Easter Living **Cross**, please bring a simple, inexpensive bouquet to the church now until March 25.

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 -- Pastor Jim's messages, the weekly bulletin, Spiritual Disciplines and Small Group Outlines are all posted on the church website each week.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Women's Fellowship - Tuesday, March 13 at 1:00 p.m. at the church.

Branch County Right to Life Annual Benefit Banquet --Tuesday, March 27 at 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Gym in Bronson. Special guest speaker will be Rebecca Kiessling. See Jennie deAraujo with questions.

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# MARCH 4, 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."

# MARCH 4, 2018

NURSERY	Anna Mae Wickey and Linda Penn
SOUND ROOM	Kenny Bennett
GREETERS	Dale and Sally Davis
ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE	
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS	David Minard
OPENING WORSHIP	Bluegrass Group
How Great Thou Art (verses 1,2,4)	
May the Name of the Lord Be Praised	Job 1:21
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (verses	1,3,4)
Since Jesus Came Into My Heart (verse 1)	
OFFERING	Tim Long
MESSAGE	Jim Erwin

#### COMMUNION

#### CLOSING

Altar flowers are provided by Bill and Linda Penn in memory of Linda's brother, Jim Boatman, and Bill's dad, William F. Penn.

## CHRISTIAN ED CLASSES

TODDLERS	Marcia Albright
GRADES 1-5 (Room B)	Kim Erwin
JUNIOR HIGH (Room D)	Sharon McMeen
YOUNG ADULTS (Library)	Ronda Falknor and Dawn Bennett
THE TRUTH PROJECT (Blanketmakers Ro	oom downstairs) Paul Alger
FOUNDATIONS (Fellowship Hall)	David Minard

### **MESSAGE**

## **GOD TO THE RESCUE**

(*Mark 5*)

### **INTRODUCTION:**

What in the devil is going on here?

- I. DEMONOLOGY 101 (Mark 5:1-20)
  - \*Signs of Satanic involvement
  - 1. Tombs -- isolation, death, darkness
  - 2. Chains -- supernatural powers (Acts 16:16)
  - 3. Uncontrollable (Genesis 3:1-4)
  - 4. Self destructive behavior (Mark 9:17-22)
  - 5. Fear of Jesus (*Mark 1:23-24*)

#### II. JESUS' RESPONSE TO DEMONS

- 1. Drove out the evil spirit (Mark 3:22-27, 1 John 3:8)
- 2. Healed the human spirit (Mark 5:15, 9:27)
  - \*Demon possession: What exactly do demons possess?
  - "Demonization" = degrees of control in someone's life.
- 3. Authorized his disciples to do the same (Mark 1:17; 3:15;6:7)

#### III. OUR RESPONSIBILITY TODAY

- 1. Know your identity in Christ (Colossians 1:9-14; 2:13-15)
- 2. Walk in the light (John 8:12. 1 John 1:7)
- 3. Resist the demonic (James 4:6-10, Ephesians 6:11)
- 4. Help others to do the same (Galatians 6:1)

## **APPLICATION**

- 1. What in the devil is going on here?
- 2. Are you "alert" and "self-controlled"? (1 Peter 5:8-9)
  - \*Garbage out, guard up!
- 3. Are you walking in the light or darkness?

1 John 1:5-9

<sup>\*</sup>For further study, see www.bethelgilead.org/messages/The Doctrines of Demons





# A Call to Prayer

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- Mason Pritchett -- stage 3 acute GVHD

### Continue to remember those in need

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- Norita Skinner -- back pain
- Morgan Albright -- death of grandmother
- Gary Ratkowski -- undergoing 12 rounds of chemotherapy at U of M.
- Brandon Carpenter's brother-in-law, Eric Algrim and family, heart issues.
- Carmel Roberts -- ongoing need for wound healing

#### **Praises**

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