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Jr CHURCH | LINGER LONGER

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

*We are glad you chose to worship with us today! There's an infant nursery up the stairs, first door on the left. Toddlers up through fifth graders will be dismissed from worship at about 10:10 a.m. for Children's Church.*

**TODAY Adult Ed Class -- 2020 Tune Up.** Let's gear up for summer -- a season of growth. Join Pastor Jim in the fellowship hall during Sunday School hour.

**Graduation Open House** -- the congregation is invited to celebrate Joanna Erwin's graduation today from 5-9 p.m. at the Erwins at 126 West Thompson Road (at the church in case of rain)

**JUNE EVENTS Father/Son Fishing Derby** -- Saturday June 1. Sign up today.

**Graduation Sunday** -- June 2. Join us as we honor our high school graduates.

**All Church Work Day** -- Saturday, June 8 from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

**Church Council** will meet on Sunday, June 9 following the Linger Longer.

**Women's Fellowship** will meet on Tuesday, June 11 at 1:00 p.m. Please bring donations for the Shelterhouse. Guest speaker will be Kathy Olmstead of *Tommy's House*.

**Graduation Open House** for Kiera Lasky is on June 14 from 5 - 9 p.m. at 770 Gilead Lake Drive in Bronson.

**PLEASE NOTE 40 Days of Prayer** -- join Christians across the county in prayer May 1 - June 9. A prayer guide is available in the lobby.

**Greeters** are needed for the balance of 2019 starting on June 30. Please see the sign up sheet in the lobby to see where you might be able to help.

**Donations** can be made online by going to [bethelgilead.org](http://bethelgilead.org) (Donate tab), or by scanning the QR code to the left.



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Every Member a Minister

*Live the Life*



*Be the Church*



*Extend the Kingdom*



Bethel Gilead Community Church

876 Block Rd. Bronson MI. 49028

26<sup>MAY</sup>SUNDAY  
2019

9:30 | 11:15  
WORSHIP | ENRICHMENT

26 MAY  
SUNDAY

Serving Today

Nursery.....Deb Springer and Linda Penn

Greeters..... Melvin and Barbara Stutzman

Piano .....Mary Butters

Order of Worship Service

Announcements and Opening Prayer

Opening Worship..... Patriotic Hymn Sing

Offering .....Frank Cabrera

Message..... Jim Erwin

*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* ..... Hymn 335

*Spirit of the Living God*..... Hymn 247

*Altar flowers are provided by Bruce and Char Kaufman  
in memory of their mothers,  
Marjorie Keeslar and Ruth Kaufman*

Worship service volunteers for June 2:

Greeters ..... Sherry McNees and Sharon Shyrigh

Sound Room..... Kenny Bennett and Josh Falknor

Offering Prayer ..... Paul Alger

Nursery.....Patty Leggett and Pat Rigg

“May Day”

Countering Discouragement, Doubt and Despair  
Introduction

The Threat of Death

[\*\(Romans 14:7-8\)\*](#)

Stephen - The First Martyr

1. [\*\(Acts 6:5-10\)\*](#) Character Counts Most!

\*[\*\(1 Peter 3:13-17; 4:19\)\*](#)

2. [\*\(Acts 6:11-15\)\*](#) Faith Under Fire

\*The value of a clear conscience (Integrity)

3. [\*\(Acts 7:1-50\)\*](#) Grounded in God’s Word

4. [\*\(Acts 7:51-53\)\*](#) Courage to Confront

5. [\*\(Acts 7:54-60\)\*](#) Looking to Heaven

Be faithful unto death and I will give you the crown of life.

[\*\(Revelation 2:10\)\*](#)

\*Smyrna

Application

1. *If you should die before you wake.....would you be ready?*

2. *Any unfinished business?*

3. *Have you decided to live until you die?*

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Live the LIFE with PRAYER

Recent additions

Ron Will -- recuperating from gall bladder surgery  
Danielle Mase -- biopsy  
Greg Maartin's niece, Onna, missionary in Uganda  
Evert Smith -- recuperating from open heart surgery  
Jo Mayer -- recuperating from knee replacement surgery  
Becky Smotherman -- recuperating from back surgery  
Eric Smotherman -- hospice  
Joe Dudley -- recuperating from open heart surgery  
Judy Hagaman -- recuperating from skin cancer surgery  
Tobias Debolt -- born 14 weeks early; off ventilator and over two pounds  
Danielle Tucker -- recovering from surgery to remove cyst, pain is lessening  
Chaplain Dave Brown -- health issues  
Norita Skinner -- Maple Lawn for rehab  
Neil Hannah -- heart and lung issues  
Dale Davis -- prostate cancer; waiting for test results following treatment  
Kristi Long's dad -- prostate cancer  
Ashley Howe - salvation and healing  
Jim Wickey -- lower back and hip pain  
Amy Pitcher -- friend of Jack Florent, colon cancer  
Dan Taggart - more tumors found; receiving chemo and radiation treatments  
Sara Slone -- recuperating from double mastectomy  
Arwan Mallay -- ten year old being treated for stage 4 neuroblastoma  
Eddie Miller -- nine year old from Quincy being treated for ITP; medication issues  
Shanda Carpenter's parents - health issues

Continue to Remember Those in Need

Russ Heckathorn -- recurrence of lung cancer  
Jeff Craft, Sue Craft's son, soft palate cancer  
Brandon Carpenter's mother, Joann - recovering from cancer surgery at home.  
Danielle Howe's father-in-law, Tom -- stage 4 liver cancer; responding to meds

Praises

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