



Every Member a Minister

*Live the Life*



*Be the Church*



*Extend the Kingdom*



Bethel Gilead Community Church  
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"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."

## “The Fatherhood of God” The State of Being

### Introduction

### Does it Make a Difference

#### I. A Quick Societal Fact Check on Fatherhood

#### II. OT: Becoming Fathers in His Image

Adam (In the Beginning... *“Ladies first”*)

Helpmate not Relinquish

Abraham, Isaac, Jacob (*“Ladies and kids first”*)

Chosen to direct his *children* ([Gen. 18:12-19](#))

Helpmate: Sari: *Princes* to Sarah: *Mother of Nations* (Submission and Faith in God)

Abraham teaches Isaac by Example

Moses (*Anger Management*)

Deeds speak louder than words ([Exodus 2:11-21](#))

Striking the rock when only needing to speak ([Numbers 20:1-13](#))

Anger does not achieve the righteousness of God ([James 1:19-21](#))

#### III. NT: Fatherhood is a State of Being

The Son is the image *“of the Invisible Heavenly Father”* ([Col. 1:15](#))

Philip: Jesus, show us the Father and that would be good enough. ([John 14:8-21](#))

“Dads, show your kids the Father and that will be good enough.”

- Sacrificial (own glory, suffer)

- Love for His Father (obedience), his own, others, enemies

- Discipline / Correction

#### IV. Your Helpmate

I'll will not leave you orphans-God's Holy Spirit. ([John 14:18-27](#))

Fruit of the Spirit ([Gal. 5:22-23](#))

## Application

1. Who is your helpmate? Have you relinquished your responsibility?
2. Are you there but not there? Are you an absentee father spiritually?
3. You are teaching by example. What are you're kids learning?

# Live the Life with Prayer



## Recent additions

Jan Carpenter's Aunt, Jean Swain: recovering major surgery (husband Alan cannot visit)  
John Stutzman -- recovery from a fall  
Jay Brinkman -- recovering from surgery to remove brain tumor  
Steve Byler's sister, Joyce - cancer  
Ron Will -- eye may be saved, surgery is on hold  
Jennie deAraujo's cousin's son, Nate, 22 year old with leukemia - waiting for stem cell donor for transplant  
Co-worker of Marcia Albright -- loss of 9 month old child  
Dan Minard -- Dave's brother; recuperating from pancreatic cancer surgery  
Mary Butters -- high blood pressure concerns  
Sharon Shyrigh -- kidney concerns  
Kathy Will's sister, Chris -- heart problems  
Shane and Jessie Harris -- loss of newborn  
Charlie Nussbaum -- 7 year old with brain tumor  
Frank Cabrera's brother - Tito, liver cancer  
Melissa Houtz's cousin, Holly Haynes Lamb -- colon cancer  
Diane Dudley's brother, Doug, -- lung cancer

## Some "new additions"

James, Jr and Amanda Wickey's new baby boy, Thaddeus James, born May 22.  
Scott and Jan Carpenter's new granddaughter, Mabel Lillian Brown, born May 8  
Melvin and Barbara Stutzman's new baby girl -- Makaya Ann, born April 28

## Continue to Remember Those in Need

Sarah Jane Fair - back and hip pain  
Jim Wickey -- several health issues  
Neil Hannah -- heart and lung issues  
Kristi Long's dad -- prostate cancer  
Arwen Mallay -- twelve-year-old being treated for stage 4 neuroblastoma

## Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Norita Skinner -- Maple Lawn  
Bob Rogers --Aperion Care in Angola  
Suetta Burnside -- The Laurels  
Rick Wilcox - Alzheimer's  
Shirley Bogen -- Drew's Place  
Eric Smotherman -- COPD

PLEASE NOTE **Happy Father's Day** to all the dads today!

**Restroom signs** -- Starting today, there are small, disposable "tabs" on the "Sanitizing Station" table in the lobby to use to indicate that the restroom is occupied and to help keep people spaced appropriately. Hang the tab on the hook outside the restroom....when you come out, throw the tab away.

**Missing Something??** -- If you think you've left a jacket or coat at the church, check the rack in the fellowship hall or call the office so we can check for you.

**Morning Devotional Time** -- Pastor Dave is on Facebook ([BGCC Live](#)) Monday - Friday at 9:00 a.m. leading a devotional time. **Spiritual Disciplines** are available on the church website, [www.bethelgilead.org](http://www.bethelgilead.org). or the office can mail you a copy.

**Altar Flowers** are provided this month by Sherry McNees in memory of her husband, Mike McNees.

**Reminder:** If you are joining us online, the words to the songs start on the next page -- just scroll down.

**Directory Updates** are available in the lobby or we can email you a copy....just let the office know. Please make sure you notify the office of any changes to your phone number or email address so we can stay connected!



**Offering** -- plates are in the lobby. Donations can be made online by going to [bethelgilead.org](http://bethelgilead.org) (Donate tab), or by scanning the QR code to the left. If you would like an automatic debit once a month, ask the office for an authorization form or pick one up in the lobby.

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Holy Spirit, you are welcome here  
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere  
Your Glory God is what our hearts long for  
To be overcome by your presence, Lord

### **His Eye is on the Sparrow**

Why should I be discouraged  
Why should the shadows come  
Why should my heart be lonely  
and long for heaven and home  
When Jesus is my portion?  
My constant friend is He;  
His eye is on the sparrow  
and I know He watches me;  
His eye is on the sparrow  
and I know He watches me.

I sing because I'm happy  
I sing because I'm free  
For His eye is on the sparrow  
And I know He watches me.

"Let not your heart be troubled"  
His tender words I hear,  
and resting on His goodness,  
I lose my doubts and fears;  
Though by the path He leadeth,  
but one step I may see;  
His eye is on the sparrow  
and i know He watches me;  
His eye is on the sparrow  
and I know He watches me.

Whenever I am tempted,  
whenever clouds arise,  
When songs give place to sighing,  
when hope within me dies;  
I draw the closer to Him  
from care He sets me free;  
His eye is on the sparrow  
and I know He watches me.  
His eye is on the sparrow  
and I know He watches me.

I sing because I'm happy  
I sing because I'm free  
For His eye is on the sparrow  
And I know He watches me.

### **Great is Thy Faithfulness**

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee  
Thou changest not,  
Thy compassions they fail not;  
As Thou hast been  
Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning  
new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness,  
Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter  
and springtime and harvest  
Sun, moon and stars  
in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness  
mercy and love

Great is Thy faithfulness!  
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Morning by morning  
new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness,  
Lord, unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thy own dear presence  
to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine  
with ten thousand beside!

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## **How Great Thou Art**

O Lord my God  
when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds  
Thy hands have made  
I see the stars  
I hear the rolling thunder  
Thy pow'r throughout  
the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul  
my Savior God to Thee;  
how great Thou art,  
how great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul  
my Savior God to Thee  
how great Thou art,  
how great Thou art!

When thro' the woods  
and forest glades I wander  
and hear the birds  
sing sweetly in the trees.  
When I look down  
from lofty mountain grandeur  
and hear the brook  
and feel the gentle breeze

Then sings my soul  
my Savior God to Thee;  
how great Thou art,  
how great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul  
my Savior God to Thee  
how great Thou art,  
how great Thou art!



And when I think  
that God, His Son not sparing,  
Sent Him to die,  
I scarce can take it in  
That on the cross,  
my burden gladly bearing  
he bled and died  
to take away my sin.

Then sings my soul  
my Savior God to Thee;  
how great Thou art,  
how great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul  
my Savior God to Thee  
how great Thou art,  
how great Thou art!

When Christ shall come  
with shout of acclamation  
and take me home  
what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow  
in humble adoration  
and there proclaim  
my God, how great Thou art.

Then sings my soul  
my Savior God to Thee;  
how great Thou art,  
how great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul  
my Savior God to Thee  
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