

Every Member a Minister

Live the Life

Be the Church

Extend the Kingdom



# Bethel Gilead Community Church 876 Block Rd. Bronson Ml. 49028



"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."

# Order of Worship

Announcements and Opening Prayer Opening Worship: Above All Revelation Song They'll Know We Are Christians – Hymn 284

Message:

# The Church in Action (Acts 4:32-37)

Introduction: E Pluribus Unim: The Power of Unity All the believers were one.....(Acts 4:32)

- I. <u>United in Christ!</u> (<u>Galatians 3:26-28, Ephesians 4:1-6</u>)
- II. <u>One-hearted (Philippians 2:2)</u> \* Same intention, will, sincerity
- III. <u>One-minded</u> (*Philippians 4:2*)
  \*Same goals, desires, ideals
  \*What do we want? And, how deeply do we want it?
- IV. <u>The Dangers of Division</u> (*John 10:10*)
  "Divide and Conquer" (Acts 20:28-30, Romans 16:17, 1 Corinthians 1:10, Titus 3:10)

## **Application**

I pray that they may be one.....(John 17:20)

- Can we as a congregation agree on what unifies us? (<u>Colossians 3:14</u>)
- What threatens to divide us at present? Strike the shepherd and the sheep scatter (<u>Zechariah 13:7</u>)
- 3. Is there a higher "value" than unity? Truth = (<u>1 Corinthians 11:18-19, 3 John 3-4</u>)

Closing Song: One Body

# Live the Life with Prayer



#### Recent additions

Sue Craft -- husband Bob passed away The family of Jan Carpenter's Aunt Jean The family of Suette Burnside The family of Bill Butters The family of Mabel Jasper Jennie deAraujo's cousin's son, Nate, leukemia, struggling with infection. Ron Will -- recuperating from surgery to remove eye lay Brinkman -- brain tumor Steve Byler's sister, Joyce - cancer Dan Minard -- Dave's brother, pancreatic cancer Sharon Shyrigh -- kidney concerns Kathy Will's sister, Chris -- heart problems Charlie Nussbaum -- 7 year old with brain tumor Frank Cabrera's brother - Tito, cirrhosis of liver Melissa Houtz's cousin, Holly Haynes Lamb -- colon cancer Diane Dudley's brother, Doug, -- lung cancer

#### 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 Rick Wilcox - Alzheimer's Shirley Bogen -- Drew's Place Eric Smotherman -- COPD

# 2 August ANNOUNCEMENTS, REMINDERS AND EVENTS

A big **THANK YOU** to all who donated food and helped with the funeral dinner for the Burnside family on July 24.

**Women's Fellowship** will meet on August 11 at 1:00 p.m. at the church. They are collecting items for *Beginnings Care for Life Center's* Life Essentials program. For ideas, pick up a flier in the lobby.

**Prayer requests** -- A time to share prayer requests is at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday either here at the church or on the BGCC Facebook page at *www.facebook.com/bethelgilead.org.* 

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

**Restroom Signs** -- there are small, disposable "in use" tabs at the Sanitizing Station to use to indicate that the bathroom is occupied (one person or family in the restroom at a time). Please discard when you are leaving the restroom.

**Contact Information** -- please make sure you notify the office of any changes to your home address, phone number or email address so we can stay connected!



**Offering** -- plates are in the lobby. Donations can be made online by going to <u>bethelgilead.org</u> (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.

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#### Above All

Above all powers, above all kings, above all nature and all created things; Above all wisdom and all the ways of man, You were here before the world began.

Above all kingdoms, above all thrones above all wonders the world has ever known; Above all wealth and treasures of the earth There's no way to measure what you're worth

> Crucified, laid behind the stone You lived to die rejected and alone Like a rose, trampled on the ground You took the fall and thought of me, above all.

## Revelation Song

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Holy, holy is He Sing a new song to him who sits on Heaven's mercy seat (repeat) Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty who was and is and is to come with all creation I sing "Praise to the King of Kings You are my everything And I will adore You"

> Clothed in rainbows of living color Flashes of lightning Rolls of thunder Blessing and honor Strength and glory and power be to You the only wise King

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty who was and is and is to come with all creation I sing "Praise to the King of Kings, You are my everything And I will adore You"

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder at the mention of Your name Jesus, Your name is power Breath and living water Such a marvelous mystery

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty who was and is and is to come with all creation I sing "Praise to the King of Kings You are my everything and I will adore You" We are one in the Spirit We are one in the Lord We are one in the Spirit We are one in the Lord And we pray that all unity may one day be restored: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other We will walk hand in hand We will walk with each other we will walk hand in hand And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side We will work with each other we will work side by side And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love. All praise to the Father, from whom all things come and all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son, And all praise to the Spirit who makes us all one: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

#### One Body

Ephesians 4:4

One body, one Spirit One hope, the bond of peace One Lord, one faith baptized in unity

There is one God and Father who is over all, He is all in all. Yes, there is one God and Father by Him we are called to be as one.