



Every Member a Minister

*Live the Life*



*Be the Church*



*Extend the Kingdom*



Bethel Gilead Community Church  
876 Block Rd. Bronson MI. 49028

20<sup>December</sup>  
SUNDAY  
2020

"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

**Pre-Service Music** -- The Erwins

**Opening Worship** -- The Praise Team

What a Glorious Night

Adore

O Come Let Us Adore Him

Christmas Hallelujah

**Scripture Reading** -- Paul Alger

**Special Music** -- Donna Green *"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"*

**Message:** **Peace and Goodwill**

**Christmas 2020?**

I. Life in first century Palestine

\*Political strife

\*Financial oppression

\*Social unrest

\*Physical hardship

II. Coping with adversity

\*Escape + Isolation

\*Compromise -- go with the flow.

\*Despair -- discouragement, doubt and depression

III. The True Meaning of Christmas

Salvation has come!

\*Light in the darkness ([Isaiah 9:2](#), [John 1:4-5](#), [Luke 1:76-79](#))

\*Incarnation ([John 1:14](#), [1 Timothy 3:16](#), [Isaiah 7:14](#); [9:6-7](#))

\*Glory to God, peace, goodwill to men ([Luke 2:14](#))

**Application**

1. Do you really believe in Christmas?
2. Are you willing to be a light in these dark times?
3. Will you be an instrument of peace and goodwill to someone this Christmas?

*You are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works  
which God has prepared in advance for you to do.*

([Ephesians 2:10](#))

**Kid's Message** -- Kim Erwin

**Closing song:** Joy to the World

# Live the Life with Prayer



## Recent additions

Greg and Nikki Maertín -- recovering from Coronavirus  
Jack Florent -- ankle surgery this Tuesday  
The family of Nancy McKinley  
Lisa Franks -- recovering from surgery  
Dale Davis - dialysis and chemo treatments  
Bart Burnside -- health issues  
Keith McGuire -- recovering from eye surgery

## Praises

Dee Eley -- recovered from Coronavirus  
Kerry and Elise Skinner - recovered from Coronavirus  
Greg and Nikki Maertín's new twin grandchildren, Canon and Constance  
Steve and Jen Byler's new granddaughter, Nora Jo  
Quinn Alece Dules -- born to Chance and Kylei Dules  
Byler family - recovered from Coronavirus

## Continue to Remember Those in Need

Russ Heckathorn -- immunotherapy for lung cancer  
Jennie deAraujo's cousin's son, Nate, battling infection after transplant  
Steve Byler's sister, Joyce - cancer  
Melissa Houtz's cousin, Holly Haynes Lamb -- colon cancer  
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  
Shirley Bogen -- Drew's Place

## Pray for our nation during these uncertain days

**Christmas Service** -- Thank you for joining us this morning as we celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Join us after service for snacks and punch in the fellowship hall. Merry Christmas to you and your family!!

**Christmas Carolling** -- Plan on joining us in caroling today. We will meet at the church at 4:00 p.m. and make several stops between the church and Coldwater. We should be done by 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome!!

**Card Shower** -- pick up a list of some of our homebound or more vulnerable members and get a card of encouragement out to them this week.

**Updated Contact Information** -- We send out prayer requests, announcements and updates on Fridays by email or text message. If we do not have your phone number or email address, please fill out the *Connect!* card under your seat or in the lobby and give it to one of the pastors or drop it in the offering plate. Thank you!!

**In case of bad weather** -- A decision will be made by 8:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings if it is necessary to cancel services. Pastor Dave will send out group texts announcing the cancellation. Text him at 517.756.8000 if you wish to be added to the group text list.

**Offering** --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. You can also authorize a monthly debit from your bank account by completing a form in the lobby (or contact the office) and turning it in with a voided check.



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## What a Glorious Night

*The shepherds came to see the baby  
stood by His mother's side  
here laid the Savior  
inside a manger  
Oh what a glorious night  
Oh what a glorious night*

*I hear the angels singin' hallelujah  
let the earth receive her King  
I know that love has come  
sing it out  
Jesus Christ is born  
Jesus Christ is born*

*The shepherds wondered  
they couldn't hide it  
Told everyone in sight  
All were amazed when they heard  
how God came  
down on this glorious night  
God came down on this glorious night.*

*I hear the angels singin' hallelujah  
let the earth receive her King  
I know that love has come  
sing it out  
Jesus Christ is born  
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*Glorious, glorious, what a glorious night  
Glorious, glorious, what a glorious night*

*I hear the angels singin' hallelujah  
let the earth receive her King  
I know that love has come  
sing it out  
Jesus Christ is born  
Jesus Christ is born.*

*All is calm now  
all is quiet  
A star is shining in the sky  
Below in Bethlehem  
the King is sleeping  
Oh what a glorious night  
Oh what a glorious night*

*I hear the angels singin' hallelujah  
let the earth receive her King  
I know that love has come  
sing it out  
Jesus Christ is born  
(I heard that) Jesus Christ is born*

## *Adore*

*Adore  
Come let us adore  
Oh come let us adore him  
The Lord, worship Christ, the Lord  
let all that is within us  
Adore*

*You stepped down from heaven  
Humbly you came  
God of all creation  
Here with us  
In a startlit manger  
Emmanuel  
Light of the world  
here to save*

*Adore  
Come let us adore  
Oh come let us adore him  
The Lord, worship Christ, the Lord  
Let all that is within us  
Adore*

Wise men bring their treasures  
Shepherds bow low  
Angel voices sing of peace on earth  
What have I to offer  
to heaven's King  
I'll bring my life, my love, my all

Adore  
Come let us adore  
Oh come let us adore him  
The Lord, worship Christ, the Lord  
Let all that is within us  
Adore

Angels sing, praises ring  
to the newborn King  
Peace on earth, here with us  
joy awakening  
At your feet we fall (2x)

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Adore

O come, let us adore Him  
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O come, let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord

We'll praise His name forever  
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Christ the Lord

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O come, let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord*

*We'll praise His name forever  
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We'll praise His name forever  
Christ the Lord*



A star shone bright up in the east  
To Bethlehem, the wisemen three  
Came many miles and journeyed  
long for You  
And to the place at which You were  
Their frankincense and gold and myrrh  
They gave to You and cried out hallelujah  
Hallelujah

I know You came to rescue me  
The baby boy would grow to be  
a man and one day die for me and you  
My sins would drive the nails in You  
That rugged cross was my cross, too  
Still every breath You drew was Hallelujah  
Hallelujah

### Joy to the World

Joy to the world! the Lord is come  
Let earth receive her King  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
and heaven and nature sing  
and heaven and nature sing  
and heaven and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns  
Let men their songs employ  
While fields and floods  
rocks, hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow  
nor thorns infest the ground  
He comes to make His blessings flow  
Far as the curse is found  
Far as the curse is found  
Far as, far as the curse is found

He rules the world with truth and grace  
and makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness  
and wonders of His love  
and wonders of His love  
and wonders, wonders of His love.