

**Friday**, November 26: Read [\*Lamentations 3-5\*](#); Sermon Text: [\*Luke 8:1-15\*](#)

\*Chapter highlights:

\*A key passage for me:

\*One point of application from today's reading:

**Friday: Pray for Our Missionaries**

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Bible Reading 2021  
**Chart the Course**  
Old Testament  
Week of November 21, 2021

This week we will finish off the book of Jeremiah and pick up his second book, Lamentations for Thursday and Friday. Jeremiah covers the last 40 years of Judah's occupation of the land of Israel up to their deportation to Babylon. At this point, Jeremiah is left with a remnant of Israel in Judah. Those not deported determine to immigrate to Egypt as a place of refuge, contrary to Jeremiah's warning. He himself is taken by force to Egypt where it is believed he died. The last several chapters of Jeremiah include messages to the surrounding nations warning them of God's final judgment on them and their gods.

Lamentations is exactly as its name implies. Written by Jeremiah, it is a short book, written in poetic form, lamenting the fall of Jerusalem. Chapter one laments the now desolate streets of Jerusalem with no one living there. Chapter two extols the righteous wrath of God on evil, sin and disobedience in fulfillment of his prophetic warnings. In chapters three and four, Jeremiah shares his own struggles and sufferings and what he personally endured during the siege and fall of Jerusalem. Chapter five finishes out the book of Lamentations with a prayer of repentance and a plea for God's mercy to return to his people.

**Monday**, November 22: Read [\*Jeremiah 41-44\*](#)

\*Chapter highlights:

\*A key passage for me:

\*One point of application from today's reading:

**Monday: Pray for yourself:**

My relationship with God

My life roles and responsibilities

My personal needs/weak areas

My goals and objectives for 2021

**Tuesday**, November 23: Read [Jeremiah 45-48](#)

\*Chapter highlights:

\*A key passage for me:

\*One point of application from today's reading:

**Tuesday: Pray for Family by Name.**

**Wednesday**, November 24: Read [Jeremiah 49-52](#)

\*Chapter highlights:

\*A key passage for me:

\*One point of application from today's reading:

**Wednesday: Pray for Bethel Gilead Community Church**

1. Leadership: Pray for God's grace and guidance in Pastor Jim and Pastor David's ministries and families. Pray for Linda Penn in her work at BGCC. Pray for the church council and the various ministry team leaders. Ask the Lord of the harvest to raise up more workers for the harvest ([Matthew 9:38](#))
2. Worship: Ask God to strengthen our devotion to Him, in prayer, praise and thanksgiving. Pray for more musicians to help lead the church in worship, including a pianist. Pray for the development of a youth praise team.
3. Fellowship: Ask God to deepen our love and commitment to one another as a family of believers. Pray that we incorporate newcomers into our church fellowship. Take some time to pray through this past Sunday's congregational prayer requests.
4. Discipleship: Ask God to develop the faith, dedication, and leadership of our people. Pray for the children and youth ministries at BGCC. Ask God to bless our small group ministry, to raise up new groups, new teachers and more leaders.

5. Outreach: Pray that God will use Bethel Gilead to make a positive impact on our community so that many would come to Christ. Ask God to embolden our people to intentionally reach out to others through the Kingdom Assignment "*Dare to Care*".
6. Future Faith Goals: Ask God to give our congregation a united vision for the future. Pray for God's clear leading in our future plans as we call our members to a greater love and commitment to the Lord and his service. Ask God to bless our finances so that we can better accomplish his purposes for our congregation.

**Thursday**, November 25: Read [Lamentations 1-2](#)

\*Chapter highlights:

\*A key passage for me:

\*One point of application from today's reading:

**Thursday: Pray for "My World"**

*(Write down names as God brings people to mind.)*

- Neighbors • People who live around me.
- People at Work • Others God brings into my life. Take note of specific needs around you and ask God what he wants you to do to help. Who can you invite to church?
- Community -- Ask God to bring revival and a spiritual awakening to Branch County, even through the Coronavirus crisis.
- Pray for the area churches and a greater spirit of unity and cooperation, especially as churches reunite after the pandemic.
- Pray for the community parachurch ministries serving our county, including Beginnings Care for Life Center, Branch County Right to Life, Joppa Recovery/Celebrate Recovery, Coach Eby Center, Family Promise, Forgotten Man Ministries, Freedom Recovery Center, God's Choice Church, Jacob's Well Ministry, Presbyterian Free Health Clinic, Shelterhouse, Tommy's House, the Gideons and the Bronson Food Pantry.
- America: Continue to pray for the nation, our national leaders and a revival in America. Pray that God would use the Coronavirus outbreak to lead people to faith in Jesus Christ. Pray for God's guidance and protection for our nation in the coming weeks and months.