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• Commissioned as Christ's Representatives •

*Be the Church
Live the Life
Extend the Kingdom*

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

Announcements and Opening Prayer

Communion Songs: *The Gathering Song*
Wonderful, Merciful Savior
Old Rugged Cross
(Revelation 5:12) The Lamb is Worthy

2025: Start Fresh!

Examine yourself to see if you are in the faith ([2 Corinthians 13:5](#))

Last week: Three keys -- Be Aware, Be Willing and Be Able

2024 Finish Strong 2025 Start Fresh!

I. Reality Orientation: The Time Factor

([Psalm 139:16](#)) All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

([Psalm 90:12](#)) Teach us to number our days aright...

([Ephesians 5:15](#)) Be careful how you live...the days are evil..

II. Our Christian Imperative -- LIVE A LIFE OF FAITH

*Trusting God daily ([Romans 1:17](#), [Hebrews 11:6](#), [Romans 14:21](#))

*Question: How can I develop and deepen my faith in God?

*Answer: Learn the facts and live accordingly!

(Facts -- Faith -- Feelings -- Circumstances)

([Romans 10:17](#)) Faith comes from hearing the word of Christ.

"Faith like a muscle grows with exercise"

*Winter 2025 Sermon Series: LIBERATING TRUTH ([John 8:32](#))

III. Personal Assessment: Mid-Course Adjustments

*Roles -- Responsibilities -- Relationships

*Handout: Personal Evaluation worksheet

([Psalm 139:23-24](#))

START FRESH -- FINISH STRONG!

Closing Song: *Jude 24-25*

Our Mission

"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."

Prayer Concerns

Recent additions

Hunter Calderwood -- recovering from pneumonia
Carl Stahly -- recovering from knee surgery
The family of Betty Carpenter
Dee Eley --in rehab at Three Rivers
The family of Dale Davis
Jaxsin Rumsey -- vasculitis and lupus
Veronica Hannah -- Heart arrhythmia

Continue to Remember Those in Need

Ron Will -- ongoing heart concerns
Bill Penn -- immunotherapy
The Carpenter Family
Lisa Franks -- pain management
Char Kaufman -- breathing issues
The Dudley family

Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Don Rubley -- at home

Pray for our nation and the world during these uncertain days

Happy New Year!! Welcome to all joining us today for worship!! Kindly silence your electronic devices during worship. A nursery (up the stairs, first door on the left) is provided for parents with infants and the service can be viewed on a monitor in there. *Extra seating for the service is also available in the fellowship hall.*

MINNET meeting -- next Sunday, January 12, following worship service. Team leaders please contact your team members.

28th Annual Steak Out -- January 11, 2025 beginning at 5:30 p.m.. Featured speaker is Rick Burgess. For more information go to [Branch County Men of Integrity](#). See Pastor Jim for tickets. Tickets are also available at the Hope Cafe in downtown Coldwater.

“This Must Be the Place” -- Look for this table in the fellowship hall for items for sale (eggs, baked goods, crafts, etc.) or to share or to find information about local ministries or businesses.

Small Group Bible Studies are starting up soon. Stay tuned for more information on upcoming group times and locations.

Peace-today.com-- an online resource for podcasts, books, research and testimonials on some of the topics from last summer’s sermon series. Scan the QR code to the left or pick up a flier in the lobby.

Ways to Give: Offering plates are in the lobby. Donations can be made online by going to [bethelgilead.org](#) (Donate tab), or by scanning the QR code to the left and using PayPal. You can authorize a monthly debit from your bank account -- contact the office.

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