

# THE LORD'S DAY

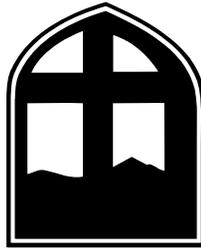
October 24, 2010

## Worship Service

*Enter with reverence, Worship in truth, Serve Christ with gladness.*

# Bethany

B I B L E C H U R C H



## Behold, bless the LORD,

All you servants of the LORD,  
Who by night stand in the house of the LORD!  
Lift up your hands *in* the sanctuary,  
And bless the LORD.

*Psalm 134:1-2*

### *Meditation*

Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

*Rom 8:34*

### Prelude

*Nearer, Still Nearer*

Morris

† Call to Worship & Prayer

Psalm 134:1-2

† Hymn of Praise to our Triune God

*Come, Thou Almighty King* Italian Hymn

Hymn 71

† Congregational Reading

Psalm 93

*The congregation will read text in italics.*

<sup>1</sup> The LORD reigns, He is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed, He has girded Himself with strength. Surely the world is established, so that it cannot be moved.

<sup>2</sup> *Your throne is established from of old; You are from everlasting.*

<sup>3</sup> The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their waves.

<sup>4</sup> *The LORD on high is mightier than the noise of many waters, than the mighty waves of the sea.* <sup>5</sup> *Your testimonies are very sure; Holiness adorns Your house, O LORD, forever.*

† Doxology

*Traditional, to Old One Hundredth*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Deuteronomy 28

† Hymn of Praise to our Welcoming Lord

*Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* Arise Hymn 323

† Prayer of Intercession & Offering

Hymn of Aspiration for God

*Nearer, Still Nearer* Morris Hymn 382

† Hymn of Praise to the Great High Priest

*Text: John Cennick (1718-1755), A Good High Priest is Come*

*Tune: Lewis Edson (1748-1820), Lenox ("Arise, My Soul, Arise")*

A good High-Priest is come,  
Supplying Aaron's place,  
And taking up his room,  
Dispensing life and grace:  
The law by Aaron's priesthood came,  
But grace and truth by Jesus' name.

The Lord a priest is made,  
As swore the mighty God  
To Israel and his seed,  
Ordained to offer blood;  
For sinners who his mercy seek,  
A priest, as was Melchizedek.

He once temptations knew,  
Of ev'ry sort and kind,  
That He might mercy show  
To ev'ry tempted mind;  
In ev'ry point the Lamb was tried  
Like us, and then for us He died.

He dies, but lives again,  
And by the altar stands,  
There shows how He was slain,  
And op'ning His pierced hands,  
He 'bides a priest, and pleads our cause,  
Transgressors of His righteous laws.

" 'Tis done," my Savior saith,  
His blood He now applies;  
I know the living faith,  
The faith that justifies;  
I can believe the Lord, my Priest,  
Hath bought for me eternal rest.

I other priests disclaim,  
And laws and offerings too;  
None but the bleeding Lamb  
The mighty work can do;  
He shall have all the praise, for He  
Alone has loved, and died for me.

THE SERMON

Jesus, Our Melchizedekian Priest, Part 6  
Hebrews 7:1-28

† Hymn of Praise to our Ever-Living King

*Christ the Lord is Risen Today* Easter Hymn Hymn 273

† Prayer and Benediction

† *Congregation will stand*



Prayer Meeting, 6:00 PM

Jesus, Our Melchizedekian Priest, Part 6 – Heb. 7:1-28  
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Sunday School, 9:45; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00,  
Sunday Evening Prayer Meeting, 6:00.  
Fellowship Dinner 3rd Sunday of the month; no evening service.  
Wednesday Evenings: Awana, visitation, fellowship groups  
*Please note weekly announcements for any changes to this schedule.*

In Hebrews 7 the author returns to the central theological idea of the letter, that Jesus Christ is our eternal High Priest. In order to draw out the full significance of Jesus' unique priesthood, he expounds Psalm 110:4, where a King is foretold who will also hold the office of a Priest, like Melchizedek. The author exalts the priesthood of Jesus by expounding first how Melchizedek is greater than the Levitical priesthood of the OT, and second how Jesus is the greatest Melchizedekian priest.

1. The Superiority of Melchizedek to Levi (7:1-10)
  - a. The Person of Melchizedek (1-3)
  - b. The Greatness of Melchizedek (4-10)
2. The Superiority of Jesus' Melchizedekian Priesthood (7:11-28)

a. Only the Priesthood of Jesus can 'perfect' believers, for Jesus alone serves as a Priest apart from the Law (11-14).  
*After the order of Melchizedek*

b. Only the Priesthood of Jesus introduces a 'better hope,' for Jesus alone possesses an indestructible life (15-19). *You are a priest forever*

c. Only the Priesthood of Jesus assures us of a 'better covenant,' for Jesus alone receives His Priesthood with an oath (20-22). *The LORD has sworn and will not relent*

d. Only the Priesthood of Jesus saves 'to the uttermost,' for Jesus alone holds his priesthood permanently and intercedes for us forever (23-25). *You are a priest forever*

e. Only the Priesthood of Jesus renders us holy, for Jesus alone offered Himself a holy sacrifice (26-28). *You are a priest forever*

*To Our Guests:* We welcome you to Bethany Bible Church! We trust you will sense our desire to exalt the Lord in our worship, as well as our commitment to the sufficiency of the Scriptures. You and your entire family are invited to worship with us. A nursery is provided for ages 0-3 if you would like, and you may also hear the service in the foyer or fellowship room if you need to attend to small children. We would like to have a record of your visit. You should receive a guest card which you may give to Pastor Stiekes personally or hand to one of our ushers. We trust that God will richly bless you as we endeavor to magnify the Lord on His day.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMING EVENTS

**TODAY**—4:45 PM, Choir practice

**WEDNESDAY** –6:45 PM, AWANA; 7:00 PM, Youth Bible Study, Evangelism Bible Study, & Visitation

**NOVEMBER 9<sup>th</sup>**—7 PM, Watchmen's Meeting

**NOVEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>**—Church Membership Class

#### *Weekly Catechism*

6. Q. What is the word of God?
  - A. The holy scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the word of God, and the only certain rule of faith and obedience.  
Eph 2:20; 2 Tim 3:16