

# THE LORD'S DAY

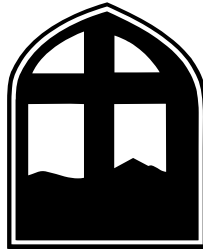
November 14, 2010

## Worship Service

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

# Bethany

B I B L E C H U R C H



### Know that the LORD, He is God

It is He who has made us,  
and not we ourselves;  
We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

Psalm 100:3

### Meditation

*The LORD has appeared of old to me, saying: "Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; Therefore with lovingkindness I have drawn you."* - Jeremiah 31:3

### Prelude

*Now May He Who From the Dead* Hendon

† Call to Worship & Prayer  
Psalm 100:3

† Hymn of Praise to Our Powerful Lord  
*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Coronation Hymn 12

† Congregational Reading Ezekiel 37:21, 23-28  
*The congregation will read text in italics.*

<sup>21</sup> "Then say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Surely I will take the children of Israel from among the nations, wherever they have gone, and will gather them from every side and bring them into their own land . . .

<sup>23</sup> *I will deliver them from all their dwelling places in which they have sinned, and will cleanse them. Then they shall be My people, and I will be their God.*

<sup>24</sup> "David My servant *shall be* king over them, and they shall all have one shepherd; they shall also walk in My judgments and observe My statutes, and do them.

<sup>25</sup> *Then they shall dwell in the land that I have given to Jacob My servant, where your fathers dwelt; and they shall dwell there, they, their children, and their children's children, forever; and My servant David shall be their prince forever.*

<sup>26</sup> *Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them, and it shall be an everlasting covenant with them; I will establish them and multiply them, and I will set My sanctuary in their midst forevermore.*

<sup>27</sup> *My tabernacle also shall be with them; indeed I will be their God, and they shall be My people.* <sup>28</sup> *The nations also will know that I, the LORD, sanctify Israel, when My sanctuary is in their midst forevermore.”””*

† **Doxology**

*Gloria Patri, to Worcester*

Glory be to God the Father,  
Glory be to God the Son,  
Glory be to God the Spirit:  
Great Jehovah, Three in One!  
Glory, Glory,  
While eternal ages run!

**Scripture Reading**  
Deuteronomy 31

† **Hymn of Praise to Our Pardoning Lord**

*To God Be the Glory* To God Be the Glory Hymn 44

† **Prayer of Intercession & Offering**

**Hymn of Praise to Our Saving Lord**

*Praise the Savior, Ye Who Know Him* Acclaim Hymn 139

† **Hymn of Praise to Our Risen Lord**

*Text: John Newton (1779) Now May He Who From the Dead*

*Tune: Henri A. C. Malan (1787-1864) Hendon ("Take My Life")*

Now may He Who from the dead,  
Brought the Shepherd of the sheep,  
Jesus Christ, our King and Head,  
All our souls in safety keep!  
All our souls in safety keep!

May He teach us to fulfil  
What is pleasing in His sight;  
Perfect us in all His will,  
And preserve us day and night.  
And preserve us day and night.

To that dear Redeemer's praise,  
Who the cov'nant sealed with blood,  
Let our hearts and voices raise  
Loud thanksgivings to our God!  
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**THE SERMON**

The Efficacy of the New Covenant  
Hebrews 8:7-13

† **Hymn of Praise to our Cornerstone Lord**

*The Church's One Foundation* Aurelia Hymn 165

† **Prayer and Benediction**

† *Congregation will stand*



All are invited to remain after the worship  
service for our monthly fellowship dinner.

*Praise Service with Jubilate Hand Bells follows Dinner*

The Efficacy of the New Covenant – Hebrews 8:7-13  
 Greg Stiekes, Pastor



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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.*

God established a covenant with His people, Israel, by which He invited them into fellowship with Him. Nevertheless, Israel could not keep their end of the covenant. If there was going to be perfect harmony with God, God Himself would have to reconcile His people unconditionally. So God, through His Son, provided a New Covenant. This New Covenant is efficacious because it secures *several eternal blessings* that God Himself puts into effect for those to whom the covenant is extended:

1. It secures the *obedience* of God’s people.  
*I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts (v. 10a)*
  
2. It secures a *relationship* between God and His people.  
*I will be their God, and they shall be My people (vv. 10b-11).*

**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**—Monthly Fellowship Meal; Praise Service follows  
**WEDNESDAY** –6:45 PM, AWANA; 6:50 PM, Youth Bible Study & Visitation; 7:00 PM, Evangelism Bible Study  
**NOVEMBER 20th**—8 AM, Men & Boys’ Prayer Breakfast; 3 PM, Kindred Spirits: Ask the Pastor  
**NOVEMBER 24th**—7 PM, Thanksgiving Praise Service  
**DECEMBER 5th**—6 PM, Annual Business Meeting  
 Weekly Catechism

9. **Q. What is God?**  
**A. God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness and truth.**  
 John 4:24; Job 11:7; Psa 90:2; 1 Tim 1:17; Jas 1:17; Exod 3:14; Psa 147:5; Rev 4:8; Exod 34:6-7

3. It secures the *forgiveness* of God’s people.  
*I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more (v. 12).*

**Monthly Financial Summary\***

	October	2010 YTD	Budget	Balance
General Offerings	\$14,107	\$158,188	\$160,962	
Undesignated Mission	\$0	\$1,041	\$0	\$256
Deacons' Fund	\$682	\$7,974	\$0	\$2,678
Building Fund	\$535	\$5,620	\$0	\$4,570

\*through October 2010