

Bethany

BIBLE CHURCH



TO GOD,
ALONE WISE,
BE GLORY THROUGH JESUS CHRIST
FOREVER.

AMEN.

Romans 16:27

THE LORD'S DAY

December 11, 2011

WORSHIP SERVICE

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

MEDITATION

But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. *Gal. 4:4-5*

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

Choir *Good Christian Men, Rejoice*

Romans 16:27

ADORATION

†O Come, All Ye Faithful Hymn 201

†CONGREGATIONAL READING Psalm 2

Congregation will read the text in italics.

¹ Why do the nations rage, and the people plot a vain thing?

² *The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against His Anointed, saying,*

³ "Let us break Their bonds in pieces and cast away Their cords from us."

⁴ *He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; the Lord shall hold them in derision.*

⁵ Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, and distress them in His deep displeasure:

⁶ "Yet I have set My King on My holy hill of Zion."

⁷ "I will declare the decree: the LORD has said to Me, 'You are My Son, today I have begotten You.

⁸ *Ask of Me, and I will give You the nations for Your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for Your possession.*

⁹ You shall break them with a rod of iron; You shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel.'"

¹⁰ *Now therefore, be wise, O kings; be instructed, you judges of the earth.*

¹¹ Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

¹² *Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and you perish in the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.*

†DOXOLOGY

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Scripture Reading

Psalm 40

Choir

None Other Lamb

†O Lord, How Shall I Meet Thee

Text: Paul Gerhardt (1653); trans., Catherine Winkworth

Tune: H. L. Hassler (1564-1612), PASSION CHORALE ("O Sacred Head")

O Lord, how shall I meet Thee,
How welcome Thee aright?
Thy people long to greet Thee,
My Hope, my heart's Delight!
O kindle, Lord, most holy,
Thy lamp within my breast
To do in spirit lowly
All that may please Thee best.

Love caused Thy incarnation,
Love brought Thee down to me;
Thy thirst for my salvation
Procured my liberty.
O love beyond all telling,
That led Thee to embrace,
In love all love excelling,
Our lost and fallen race!

Sin's debt, that fearful burden,
Let not your souls distress;
Your guilt the Lord will pardon
And cover by His grace.
He comes, for men procuring
The peace of sin forgiven,
For all God's sons securing
Their heritage in heav'n.

PETITION

†Prayer of Intercession

Offering

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

†CONGREGATIONAL READING Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 2:14

Pastor: ⁵Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus

Men: ⁶ who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God,

Women: ⁷ but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.

Men: ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

Women ⁹ Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,

Pastor: ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth,

All: ¹¹ and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest,
And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"

Choir *Of the Father's Love Begotten
Fairest Lord Jesus*

†Hark! the Herald Angels Sing Hymn **199**

Scripture Reading Hebrews 10:1-18

Quartet *All My Heart This Night Rejoices*

Choir *Silent Night, Holy Night*

THE SERMON
Why Jesus Had to Have a Body
Hebrews 10:5-7

Choir *Long Ago and Far Away*

†Gentle Mary Laid Her Child Hymn **210**

BENEDICTION

Prayer

Benediction

†Congregation will stand



Carol Sing and Prayer Service, 6:00 PM

Why Jesus Had to Have a Body from Hebrews 10:5-7

Pastor George Stiekes

Christmas can be defined in one word – INCARNATION, which is the union of God with man in one Person. John 3:16 states: *God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son.* Jesus Christ had to have a body so that He could **give** that body as the only effective sacrifice for sin and in so doing, accomplish the will of God the Father.

Christ needed a body in order:

1. To Reveal God (Heb 1:1-3; I Tim 3:16; Matt 1:21-23).

2. To Ravage Satan (Heb 2:14-15).

3. To Redeem Sinners (Heb 10:1, 12, 14; I Pet 1:18, 19).

4. To Relate with Mankind (Heb 5:7-9; Matt 4:4, 7, 10; Heb 2:9-10, 17)

Planned Hymns for Next Week:
Good Christian Men, Rejoice (202); We Three Kings of Orient Are (220); Infant Holy, Infant Lowly (205); O Splendor of God's Glory Bright (Puer Nobis); O Little Town of Bethlehem (217)



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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.

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

TONIGHT—6:00 PM, Carol Sing and Prayer Service

WEDNESDAY—6:45 PM, AWANA; 7 PM, Visitation, & Youth Bible Study

NEXT SUNDAY—No Fellowship Dinner; 5 PM, Christmas Fellowship at John & Karen Strange's (409 Rickel Drive, Hendersonville): bring your favorite Christmas treat, salty or sweet & Bible verse 'gifts'; please park on the Stranges' side of the street

DECEMBER 21st—7 PM, Christmas caroling; no other midweek services or activities

DECEMBER 24th—6 PM, Christmas Eve candlelight service

DECEMBER 25th—Regular Sunday School & Morning Worship; No Evening Service

DECEMBER 29th—No midweek services or activities

JANUARY 1st – 6th—Prayer Emphasis Week

	Dec 4	Budget	YTD	YTD Budget
General Fund	\$5,928	\$3,677	\$180,180	\$180,169
Missions	\$5		\$3,878	
Deacons Fund	\$594		\$7,611	
Building Fund	\$100		\$4,635	

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Weekly Catechism
61. Q. What is the sixth commandment?
A. The sixth commandment is, "You shall not murder."