



### BUT LET ALL THOSE REJOICE

who put their trust in You; Let them ever shout for joy, because You defend them; Let those also who love Your name Be joyful in You.

Psalm 5:1

### THE LORD'S DAY

July 24, 2011

### WORSHIP SERVICE

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

#### MEDITATION

For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:26

#### PRELUDE

Leader of Faithful Souls, and Guide

St. Chrysostom

## <sup>†</sup>CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF INVOCATION Psalm 5:11

#### **ADORATION**

\*Sing Praise to God

Hymn **55** 

MIT FREUDEN ZART

<sup>†</sup>CONGREGATIONAL READING

Psalm 123

The congregation will read text in italics.

- <sup>1</sup> Unto You I lift up my eyes, O You who dwell in the heavens.
- <sup>2</sup> Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until He has mercy on us.
- <sup>3</sup> Have mercy on us, O LORD, have mercy on us! for we are exceedingly filled with contempt.



<sup>4</sup> Our soul is exceedingly filled with the scorn of those who are at ease, with the contempt of the proud.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE SERMON
The Essence of Biblical Faith, Part 2

Hebrews 11:1

SCRIPTURE READING

Leviticus 26:1-22 1 Corinthians 3

†Gloria Patri

BETHEL PARK

Words and music are in the front cover of the hymnal.

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Insert FILLMORE

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

Insert

O MEIN JESU, ICH MUSS STERBEN

<sup>†</sup>O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Hymn **96**St Anne

**THANKSGIVING** 

<sup>†</sup>This Is My Father's World

Hymn **116**TERRA PATRIS

<sup>†</sup> Prayer & Benediction

<sup>†</sup>Congregation will stand

**68 80** 

Afternoon service (for WILDS staff), 2:00 PM

Prayer Meeting, 6:00 PM

**PETITION** 

†Prayer of Intercession

Offering





# The Essence of Biblical Faith, Part 2 – Hebrews 11:1 Pastor Greg Stiekes

After a magnificent exposition of Jesus as the believer's High Priest (Heb. 1:1-10:18), the author challenges us to embrace the Lord Jesus *by faith*, living lives of obedience (10:19-25), sobriety (10:26-31), and endurance (10:32-39). Now he begins to encourage us with examples of believers who did just that—they lived lives of obedience, sobriety, and endurance *by faith*. But we must understand what faith looks like, which is why we begin our journey through Hebrews 11 by understanding the sphere, function, and implications of biblical faith.

- 1. The Sphere of Biblical Faith: Faith is operational in unseen the sphere of that which is promised but not obtained and that which is present but no observed.
- 2. The Exercise of Biblical Faith: Faith is the *firm assurance* of things hoped for and the *conviction* of the existence of things not seen.
- 3. The Implications of Biblical Faith
  - a. Implications regarding the Sphere of Biblical Faith:
    - (1) What is *unseen* must be informed by Scripture.
    - (2) What is *unseen* is more significant than what is seen.
  - b. Implications regarding the Exercise of Biblical Faith:
    - (1) Exercising faith means we *obey* God.
    - (2) Exercising faith means we *please* God.

Planned Hymns for Next Week:

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise (63); My Hope is in the Lord (336); Great is Thy Faithfulness (109); We Walk by Faith and Not By Sight; My Jesus, I Love Thee (160)





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Sunday School, 9:45; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00,
Sunday Evening Prayer Meeting, 6:00.
Fellowship Dinner 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 TODAY—3:30-5:30 PM, 'Drop-in' bridal shower for Robyn Anastos (details on back table)

TUESDAY-7 PM, Watchmen's Meeting

WEDNESDAY-7 PM, Summer series: Biblical Eschatology

AUGUST 6th – 10 AM, Diachenko ordination council

AUGUST 13th — 3-5 PM, Kindred Spirits: Precious Memories

	Jul 10	Budget	YTD	YTD Budget
General Fund	\$5,170	\$3,677	\$97,879	\$102,954
Missions	\$85		\$3,223	
Deacons Fund	\$230		\$4,457	
Building Fund	\$225		\$3,675	

Weekly Catechism

- 41. Q. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at their death?
  - A. The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness<sup>1</sup> and do immediately pass into glory,<sup>2</sup> and their bodies<sup>3</sup> do rest in their graves<sup>4</sup> till the resurrection.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Heb 12:23 <sup>2</sup> Phil 1:23; 2 Cor 5:8; Luke 23:43 <sup>3</sup> 1 Thess 4:14 <sup>4</sup> Isa 57:2 <sup>5</sup> Job 19:26