

THE LORD'S DAY

May 17, 2015

WORSHIP SERVICE

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

PRELUDE

My Jesus, I Love Thee

†CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Psalm 66:1–4

ADORATION

†*For the Beauty of the Earth*

Hymn **492**

†CONGREGATIONAL READING

Colossians 1:11–20

The congregation will read text in italics.

¹¹ May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

¹³ *He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.*

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

¹⁶ *For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.*

¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

¹⁸ *And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.*

¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,

²⁰ *and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.*

†*Doxology*

OLD ONE HUNDREDTH

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly hosts;


Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Before the Throne of God Above

Text: Charitie Lee Bancroft (1841-1923)

Tune: DUKE STREET, John Hatton (c. 1710-1793)



1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a
 2. My name is grav - en in His hands, My name is
 3. When Sat - an tempts me to de - spair, And tells me
 4. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - iour died, My sin - ful
 5. Be - hold Him there! the ris - en Lamb! My per - fect,
 6. One with Him - self, I can - not die, My soul is

strong, a per - fect plea, A great High Priest, whose
 writ - ten on His heart; I know that, while in
 of the guilt with - in, Up - ward I look and
 soul is count - ed free; For God the Just is
 spot - less right - eous - ness, The great un - change - a -
 pur - chased by His blood; My life is hid with

name is love, Who e - ver lives and pleads for me.
 heav'n He stands, No tongue can bid me thence de - part.
 see Him there Who made an end of all my sin.
 sat - is - fied To look on Him, and pard - on me.
 ble I Am, The King of glo - ry and of grace!
 Christ on high, With Christ, my Sav - iour and my God.

Shout for joy to God,
all the earth;

² sing the glory of his name;
give to him glorious praise!

³ Say to God, "How awesome are your
deeds!

So great is your power that your
enemies come cringing to you.

⁴ All the earth worships you
and sings praises to you;
they sing praises to your name."

Psalm 66:1–4



THANKSGIVING

I Will Sing of My Redeemer

Hymn **42**
MY REDEEMER

PETITION

†Prayer of Intercession

Offering

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Thessalonians 2

†*To God Be the Glory*

Hymn **44**
GOD BE THE GLORY

THE SERMON

Paul's Greeting to the Colossian Believers
Colossians 1:1–2

†*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Hymn **109**
FAITHFULNESS

† PRAYER & BENEDICTION

† *Congregation will stand (if able)*



All are welcome to remain after
the morning service for our
monthly fellowship meal.

Witnessing Partnership Challenge Meeting
following the meal.



Paul's Greeting to the Colossian Believers—Colossians 1:1–2
Pastor George Stiekes

When approaching a Bible book, many Christians make the mistake of skipping the introductions. Some claim they do so in order to get to the meat of the book. For the Apostle Paul, the introduction is the road map to the rest of the epistle. More importantly, to avoid any part of God's Holy Word is to consider it non-essential. Jesus said, **Man shall not live by bread alone, but BY EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDETH OUT of the MOUTH OF GOD** (Matthew 4:4). The introduction to the Book of Colossians is no exception.

I. The Addresser (1:1)

A. Paul's Appointment

B. Paul's Authority

C. Paul's Associate

II. The Addressee (1:2)

A. Their Spiritual Position

B. Their Territorial Position



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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, Adult Bible Study, Teen Bible Study
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

TUESDAY MAY 19----- KINDRED SPIRITS--
Breakfast at Kelsey's
Fellowship and Prayer 9:00-10:30 am

WEDNESDAY - Bible Study @ 7:00 pm

	May 10	Budget	YTD	YTD Budget
General Fund	\$3,284	\$3,725	\$64,407	\$70,775
Missions			\$3,656	
Deacons Fund	\$170		\$3,397	
Building Fund	\$53		\$1,875	\$46,543

KIDS4TRUTH Q&A AND MEMORY VERSE FOR NEXT WEEK

Q. What should your attitude toward God be like because He has given the Law?

A. I should be thankful to God because His Law establishes a perfect moral standard that shows me His character and points me to Christ, Who alone can save me. **Psalm 119:111-112**--Your testimonies are my heritage forever, for they are the joy of my heart. I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end. (710)