



# **The Bethany Banner**

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## ***A Word From the Pastor's Study***

In 2018 we will continue the practice of supporting a different mission focus through our quarterly freewill offering. The first quarter now having ended I wanted to say thank-you to all who gave to help support the Palmetto Pregnancy Center, God's Kitchen, and our non-member benevolence fund. Your gifts and prayers are very welcome!

The second quarter of this year we will be continuing to support our local church's work in Sneedville, TN through the Synod's mission in Appalachia. Being one who is a native "Appalachian" I am excited to be able to join with volunteers from Bethany this year in helping with this work. It is a blessing to be able to go to a part of our nation which is often overlooked to share

the good news of Jesus Christ.

This month I wanted to present two new ministries to Bethany that we will be supporting in the third and fourth quarter. First, in the third quarter we will highlight church planting work being done in Wales by Rev. Drew Goodman and his wife Lauren. He and his family will be with us on August 12<sup>th</sup> at Mugs and Muffins, Sabbath School, and he will lead worship to help us learn more.

Lastly, in the fourth quarter of 2018 we will be giving to a special needs ministry of the ARP, Camp Joy, and specifically a Camp which focuses on helping those in our home state of South Carolina. We will have a person from Camp Joy SC with us sometime in October.



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## Sunday Preaching Schedule

April 1	Matthew 28:1-8
April 8	Micah 6:1-8
April 15	Micah 6:9-16
April 22	Micah 7:1-7
April 29	Micah 7:8-13

## Bible Reading Plan for Month

April 1-7	Galatians 1-3
April 8-14	Galatians 4-6
April 15-21	Ephesians 1-3
April 22-28	Ephesians 4-6
April 29-May 5	Philippians 1-4

## Important Dates for April

The Lord's Supper	April 1
Deacon Meeting	April 1
Session Meeting	April 5
Mugs and Muffins	April 8
Teacher Appreciation Dinner	April 14
Catawba ARP Meet & Greet	April 21

## Larger Catechism Question

### **WLC Question #97**

**Q. 97.** What Special Use is There of the Moral Law to the Regenerate?

**A.** Although they that are regenerate, and believe in Christ, be delivered from the moral law as a covenant of works, so as thereby they are neither justified nor condemned: yet, beside the general uses thereof common to them with all men, it is of special use to show them how much they are bound to Christ for his fulfilling it, and enduring the curse thereof in their stead and for their good; and thereby to provoke them to more thankfulness, and to express the same in their greater care to conform themselves thereunto as the rule of their obedience.

## Missionary of the Month

The church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a missionary church, seeking to grow the Kingdom by the means of grace. This month we would like to highlight the ministry of Alex Pettet, the Director of World Witness. Please be in prayer for Alex as he continues to grow the work of World Witness and leads the ARP in the years ahead.



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## Youth Corner Announcements

- There will be **no Youth Group** on April 4<sup>th</sup>
- Happy 4<sup>th</sup> Birthday Riley! (on the 9<sup>th</sup>)
- Happy 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday Natalie (on the 10<sup>th</sup>)
- Happy 11<sup>th</sup> Birthday Madison! (on the 23<sup>rd</sup>)
- Operation Christmas Child shoebox items for the month of April are **activity books and crayons, colored pencils, or markers.** Please place donations in the box upstairs beside the bulletin board.

Our verse for this month is:

*“For God So Loved the World That He Gave His Only Begotten Son That Whosoever Believes in Him Shall Not Perish, But Have Everlasting Life.”*

– John 3:16

## Session Report

The session met Thursday March 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm for their regularly scheduled meeting. Items taken up included the dissolving of the sessional Spiritual Life and Worship committees, support of fundraising (with session approval), and electing RE Jimmy McGill to attend General Synod as Bethany's delegate.

## Deacon's Report

The Deacon's met March 4<sup>th</sup> before Sabbath School. Went over completed projects at the manse, issues with the printers, approved new signs for both the front and school side of the church, and discussed other work needing done.

## Christian Education Report

The Christian Education Committee met at 7:00pm on March 13<sup>th</sup>. They talked about the Teacher Appreciation Dinner, Appalachia attendance, Easter Egg hunt, May graduation dinner, & youth camps. The Teacher Appreciation Dinner will be April 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.

## Wednesday Prayer Meeting

In April at 6:30pm we will begin a new pre-prayer meeting bible study through the book of Revelation. This time will be an opportunity not only to learn more about God's Word, but see how a book which can be so misjudged and quite intimidating is eminently practical. We warmly welcome all to come!



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## Monthly Prayer Requests

We will continue to be in prayer for a presbytery and nation that we will covenant to prayer for through this month. We are going to highlight Florida Presbytery, and the nation and people of North Korea.

### **Prayer Needs:**

Dollie Douglas, Hayes Faulkner, Sarah Faulkner, Janice Patterson, Betty Campbell. Winifred Callister, Peggy Wells, Theodore McClure, Garland Davidson, Geneva Smith, Bible Release Time, Good News Club, Andrew Brunson, Rev. George Bush, Kenneth Moses, John Bailey, and Samantha Johnson. Spiritual warfare, the President, end to abortion, our church planters, missionaries, and all the members and friends of the Bethany ARP Church.

## Devotional Verses

"Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to God Alone our Savior, who alone is wise, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and forever. Amen." – Jude 1:24-25

## Psalm of the Month

"Be merciful to me, O God, for man would swallow me up; fighting all day he oppresses me. My enemies would hound me all my day, for there are many who fight against me O most high. Whenever I am afraid I will trust in you. In God (I will praise His Word), In God I have put my trust, I will not fear, what can flesh do to me?" -- Psalm 56:1-4

## Quote of the Month

"Jesus Christ has instituted and appointed His ordinances to be the means of carrying His nourishing virtue to the soul. The ordinances are the dishes of gold upon which this heavenly meat is brought. Prayer, reading, preaching, meditation, holy conference, the sacrament; in these Christ presents Himself to the soul. He that forsakes these can expect no feeding from Christ."

-- Ralph Robinson, "Christ All in All"