

THE LORD'S DAY

February 16, 2014

WORSHIP SERVICE

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

PRELUDE

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA (ANDREWS)

GIVE TO THE LORD,

O families of the peoples,
Give to the LORD glory and
strength.

⁸ Give to the LORD the glory due
His name;

Bring an offering, and come into
His courts.

⁹ Oh, worship the LORD in the
beauty of holiness!

Tremble before Him, all the earth.

Psalm 96:7-9

[†]CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Psalm 96:7-9

ADORATION

[†]*How Great Thou Art*

Hymn **38**
O STORE GUD

[†]CONGREGATIONAL READING

The congregation will read text in italics.

Psalm 100

Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands!

² *Serve the LORD with gladness;*

Come before His presence with singing.

³ Know that the LORD, He is God;

It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves;^{la}

We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

⁴ Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,

And into His courts with praise.

Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.

⁵ *For the LORD is good;
His mercy is everlasting,
And His truth endures to all generations.*

[†] *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 & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Hymn **243**
HAMBURG

THANKSGIVING

[†]*Wonderful Grace of Jesus*

Hymn **155**
WONDERFUL GRACE

PETITION

[†]Prayer of Intercession

Offering

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 6:37-49

[†]*Comfort Near*

Hymn **Solo**
JOSH SPARKMAN

ACCEPTABLE WORSHIP—Hebrews 12:18–29

Pastor Greg Stiekes

THE SERMON
Acceptable Worship
Hebrews 12:18–29

†Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Hymn **29**

LAUDA ANIMA (ANDREWS)

† PRAYER & BENEDICTION

† Congregation will stand (if able)



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

(No evening service.)



The author of Hebrews calls upon believers not only to be faithful to God, but most importantly to *draw near* to God in *worship*. In this wonderful text which draws together many of the theological themes of Hebrews, we are exhorted to “come to God” (vv. 18, 22), not to “refuse him” (v. 25), but to offer to God “acceptable worship” (v. 28). What is “acceptable” worship?

1. Worship that is grounded in new spiritual realities (18–24)

a. The Old Worship at Mount Sinai (18–22)

b. The New Worship at Mount Zion (22–24)

In contrast to the fearful worship at Sinai, believers have “come to” seven new spiritual realities:

- (1) To Mount Zion, the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem
- (2) To an innumerable company of angels in joyful assembly
- (3) To the church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven,
- (4) To the Judge who is God of all
- (5) To the spirits of righteous ones made perfect,
- (6) To Jesus the Mediator of a new covenant,
- (7) To the sprinkled blood that speaks better than (the blood of) Abel

Next week:

2. Worship that bows to the absolute sovereignty of God (25–27)

3. Worship that is fitting for so great an object (28–29)

- a. Joyful praise, for we have received an eternal kingdom.
- b. Reverent awe, for our God is a consuming fire.



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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

WEDNESDAY 6:45 PM, AWANA; Adult Bible Study, 7:00; Teen discipleship class, 7:00 @ St. Jacques

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24 shower for Tiffany Huggins
7:00 at Bethany Baptist Church in Brevard.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25 Watchman's Meeting 7:00

MONDAY, MARCH 3 Quilt-a-thon 9:30-4:00

	Feb 9	Budget	YTD	YTD Budget
General Fund	\$4,439	\$3,577	\$23,115	\$21,462
Missions			\$95	
Deacons Fund	\$150		\$1,131	
Building Fund	\$762		\$922	\$33,507

KIDS4TRUTH Q&A AND MEMORY VERSE FOR NEXT WEEK
Q. Where is God?
A . God is *omnipresent*, which means He is everywhere, all the time.
Jeremiah 23:24 --"Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him?" declares the LORD. "Do I not fill heaven and earth?" declares the LORD. (208)