

# THE LORD'S DAY

November 23, 2014

## WORSHIP SERVICE

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

### PRELUDE

*Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above*

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### †CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Psalm 100:4–5

<sup>4</sup>Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise!  
Give thanks to him; bless his name!  
<sup>5</sup>For the LORD is good;  
his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.  
*Psalm 100:4–5*

### ADORATION

*†For the Beauty of the Earth*

Hymn **492**  
DIX

†CONGREGATIONAL READING

Psalm 111

*The congregation will read text in italics.*

Praise the LORD!

*I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.*

<sup>2</sup>Great are the works of the LORD,  
studied by all who delight in them.

<sup>3</sup>Full of splendor and majesty is his work,  
and his righteousness endures forever.

<sup>4</sup>*He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;  
the LORD is gracious and merciful.*

<sup>5</sup>*He provides food for those who fear him;  
he remembers his covenant forever.*

<sup>6</sup>He has shown his people the power of his works,  
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.

<sup>7</sup>*The works of his hands are faithful and just;  
all his precepts are trustworthy;*  
<sup>8</sup>*they are established forever and ever,  
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.*

<sup>9</sup>He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant forever.  
Holy and awesome is his name!

<sup>10</sup>*The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;  
all those who practice it have a good understanding.  
His praise endures forever!*

†Doxology

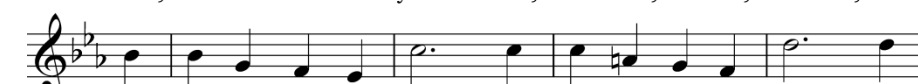
DIADEMATA



Praise, as in a - ges past; Praise, as in glo - ry now;



Praise, while e - ter - ni - ty shall last, To Thee, O God, we vow;



Whom all the heav'n-ly host And saints on earth a - dore; To



Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost, Be glo-ry e-ver more! A - men.

### CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Amazing Grace*

Hymn **147**  
NEW BRITAIN

### THANKSGIVING

*Praise Medley*

Macdonald Girls  
Strings Ensemble

FORGETTING TO BE THANKFUL—PSALM 103:1–13  
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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, 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** --Thanksgiving praise/prayer service 7:00 pm  
**No services Wednesday evening.**

**UPCOMING CALENDAR UPDATES:**

**Sunday, Nov 30** Thanksgiving praise service @ Bethany Baptist in Brevard 6:00 pm.

**Sunday, Dec. 7** Children's Service during Sunday School 9:45  
**Annual Business Meeting at 6:00 pm**

**Sunday, Dec 14** Choir Presentation at 10:30 no Sunday School.  
Christmas Gathering at Kanuga Conference Center 5:00pm

**Wednesday, Dec 24** Christmas Eve Service at 6:00 pm

	Nov 9	Budget	YTD	YTD Budget
General Fund	\$2,269	\$3,577	\$169,330	\$164,538
Missions	\$507		\$3,864	
Deacons Fund			\$5,565	
Building Fund	\$67		\$8,857	\$41,516

**KIDS4TRUTH Q&A AND MEMORY VERSE FOR NEXT WEEK**  
**Q. How should learning the truth about Creation change the way you think about God, the Creator?**  
**A .** The truth about Creation should draw me to rejoice in God and remind me to live in a way that honors Him. **Romans 14:12** --So then each of us will give an account of himself to God. (510)

**PETITION**

†Prayer of Intercession

Offering

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 9:32–10:16

†Now Thank We All Our God

Hymn **499**  
NUN DANKET

THE SERMON  
Forgetting to Be Thankful  
Psalm 103:1–13

†Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above

Hymn **25**  
AMSTERDAM

† **PRAYER & BENEDICTION**

† *Congregation will stand (if able)*



Choir Practice, 4:30 PM

Evening Prayer Service, 6:00 PM

We will celebrate Thanksgiving in America this coming Thursday, but how many people will truly remember to be thankful to God. Turkey, family and Black Friday will cause many to forget what Thanksgiving is all about. Yet thankfulness is the pulse of the Christian life—a sign of spiritual health. Psalm 103 is totally an expression of praise and thankfulness moving from personal praise (1–5) to grace and mercy abounding and closing with a doxology of praise (19–22).

**I. The Reason for Thanksgiving (103:1–5)**

A. He forgives all our iniquities (3)

B. He heals all our diseases (3)

C. He redeems our lives from destruction (4)

D. He crowns us with loving kindness and tender mercies (4)

E. He satisfies our mouths with good things (5)

**II. The Recipient of Our Thanksgiving (103:6–11)**

