Bethany



Rejoice in the LORD,

O you righteous!

For praise from the upright is beautiful.

Praise the LORD with the harp;

Make melody to Him

with an instrument of ten strings.

Sing to Him a new song;

Play skillfully with a shout of joy.

of the mercies of the LORD forever;

With my mouth will I make known Your faithfulness to all generations.

Psalm 33:1-3

THE LORD'S DAY

October 31, 2010

Worship Service

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

Meditation

... but you shall hold fast to the LORD your God, as you have done to this day.

Ioshua 23:8

Prelude

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Olivet

- † Call to Worship & Prayer Psalm 33:1-3
- † Hymn of Praise to the Lord of All

 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Diadem Hymn 30
- [†] Congregational Reading Psalm 33:8-12 *The congregation will read in unison.*
- ⁸ Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him.
- ⁹ For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.
- ¹⁰ The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He makes the plans of the peoples of no effect.
- ¹¹ The counsel of the LORD stands forever, The plans of His heart to all generations.
- ¹² Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, The people He has chosen as His own inheritance.

† Doxology Traditional, to Old One Hundredth [†]Hymn of Faith in our Risen Christ Praise God from whom all blessings flow; My Faith Looks Up to Thee Olivet Hymn 407 Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. THE SERMON Jesus, Our Melchizedekian Priest, Part 7 Scripture Reading Hebrews 7:1-28 Deuteronomy 29 [†] Hymn of Hope in Christ [†] Hymn of Praise to our High Priest My Hope is in the Lord Wakefield Hymn 336 The Solid Rock Solid Rock Hymn 411 [†] Prayer and Benediction † Prayer of Intercession [†] Congregation will stand Offering C3 ω Prayer Meeting, 6:00 PM Hymn of Joy in Christ our King Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart Marion

Hymn 469

Jesus, Our Melchizedekian Priest, Part 7 – Heb. 7:1-28 Greg Stiekes, Pastor

In Hebrews 7 the author returns to the central theological idea of the letter, that Jesus Christ is our eternal High Priest. In order to draw out the full significance of Jesus' unique priesthood, he exposits Psalm 110:4, where a King is foretold who will also hold the office of a Priest, like Melchizedek. The author exalts the priesthood of Jesus by expounding first how Melchizedek is greater than the Levitical priesthood of the OT, and second how Jesus is the greatest Melchizedekian priest.

- 1. The Superiority of Melchizedek to Levi (7:1-10)
 - a. The Person of Melchizedek (1-3)
 - b. The Greatness of Melchizedek (4-10)
- 2. The Superiority of Jesus' Melchizedekian Priesthood (7:11-28)

a. Only the Priesthood of Jesus can 'perfect' believers, for Jesus alone serves as a Priest apart from the Law (11-14). *After the <u>order of Melchizedek</u>*

b. Only the Priesthood of Jesus introduces a 'better hope,' for Jesus alone possesses an indestructible life (15-19). *You are a priest <u>forever</u>*

- c. Only the Priesthood of Jesus assures us of a 'better covenant,' for Jesus alone receives His Priesthood with an oath (20-22). *The LORD has <u>sworn</u> and <u>will not relent</u>*
- d.Only the Priesthood of Jesus saves 'to the uttermost,' for Jesus alone holds his priesthood forever and intercedes for us forever (23-25). *You are a priest forever*
- e. Only the Priesthood of Jesus renders us holy, for Jesus alone offered Himself a holy sacrifice (26-28). <u>You</u> are a priest forever



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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

TODAY-4:45 PM, Choir practice; 6:00 PM Prayer Service

WEDNESDAY –6:45 PM, AWANA; 7:00 PM, Youth Bible Study, Evangelism Bible Study, & Visitation

NEXT SUNDAY—Daylight Saving Time Ends: turn back your clock one hour!

NOVEMBER 9th-7 PM, Watchmen's Meeting

NOVEMBER 13th—Church Membership Class

Weekly Catechism

- 7. Q. May everyone use the Bible?
 - A. All people are not only permitted, but commanded and exhorted to read, hear, and understand the Holy Bible.

John 5:38; Acts 8:30; Rev 1:3; 17:18, 19