

18 Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

19 Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory!

Amen and Amen!

Psalm 72:18-19

THE LORD'S DAY

April 19, 2014

WORSHIP SERVICE

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

PRELUDE

More Love to Thee, O Christ

[†]CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Psalm 72:18-19

ADORATION

[†]O for a Thousand Tongues

Hymn **15**LYNGHAM

[†]CONGREGATIONAL READING The congregation will read text in italics. Psalm 147:1–11

Praise the LORD!

For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

- **2** The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
- **3** *He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.*
- 4 He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.
- **5** *Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.*
- **6** The LORD lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground.

- 7 Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre!
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth; he makes grass grow on the hills.
- **9** He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry.
- **10** His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,
- **11** but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

† 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.

Lord, Send Me Anywhere

Horn Duet Trent Johnson, Jon McLean

Lord, send me anywhere; only go with me.
Lay any burden on me; only sustain me.
Sever any tie, save the tie that binds me to Thy heart.
Lord Jesus, my King, I consecrate my life, Lord, to Thee!

[†]Standing on the Promises

Hymn **445**PROMISES

PETITION

†Prayer of Intercession

Offering





MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 26

[†]O Magnify the Lord

Hymn 22
WARREN

THE SERMON Spirit-Empowered Witnesses Acts 2:37–47

⁺ More Love to Thee

Hymn **376**More Love to Thee

[†]Prayer & Benediction

[†]Congregation will stand (if able)

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

Our first Worship Partnership Challenge meeting will take place in the sanctuary, at the end of the dinner.

Series: The Mission of Jesus in Luke-Acts

Spirit-Empowered Witnesses — Acts 2:37–47 Pastor Greg Stiekes

What transformed the disciples of Jesus from timid and unsure followers into confident and powerful witnesses to his death and resurrection? The same thing that empowered Jesus at the beginning of his own ministry (Luke 4): the coming of the Holy Spirit. When Jesus pours out the Holy Spirit upon his witnesses, a Spirit-empowered, dynamic community of—his church!—is born. Luke's description of this first church in Jerusalem challenges us to examine our own congregation for these marks of the Holy Spirit in our midst:

- 1. Their loves.
 - a. They were devoted to apostolic teaching.
 - b. They were devoted to fellowship.
 - c. They were devoted to the Table.
 - d. They were devoted to prayer.
- 2. Their spirit.
 - a. They had a spirit of awe.
 - b. They had a spirit of sincerity.
 - c. They had a spirit of joy.
- 3. Their increase.



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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, Youth Bible Study, Adult 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

WEDNESDAY -- AWANA @ 6:45-- Grand Prix Car Race Adult Bible Study @ 7:00 Teen Discipleship Group--Special Outing

	Apr. 12	Budget	YTD	YTD Budget
General Fund	\$3,107	\$3,725	\$50,116	\$55,875
Missions	\$837		\$3,329	
Deacons Fund	\$350		\$2,888	
Building Fund	\$38		\$1,615	\$46,283

KIDS4TRUTH Q&A AND MEMORY VERSE FOR NEXT WEEK

Q. Why did God give the Ten Commandments?

A . In love, God gave the Ten Commandments to show all of us that we are sinners who desperately need Jesus Christ's righteousness and forgiveness. **Galatians 3:24**-So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. (706)



