

THE LORD'S DAY

July 26, 2015

WORSHIP SERVICE

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

PRELUDE

The King of Love My Shepherd Is
ST COLUMBA

†CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Psalm 16: 7-8

ADORATION

†*Our Great Savior*

Hymn **177**
HYFRYDOL

†CONGREGATIONAL READING

Psalm 56:1-11

The congregation will read text in italics.

¹ Be merciful to me, O God, for man would swallow me up; fighting all day he oppresses me. . . .

³ *Whenever I am afraid, I will trust in You. ⁴ In God (I will praise His word), In God I have put my trust; I will not fear. What can flesh do to me? . . .*

⁸ You number my wanderings; put my tears into Your bottle; are they not in Your book?

⁹ *When I cry out to You, then my enemies will turn back; this I know, because God is for me.*

¹⁰ In God (I will praise His word), in the Lord (I will praise His word),

¹¹ *In God I have put my trust; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?*

I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
in the night also my heart instructs me.
I have set the LORD always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall
not be shaken.

Psalm 16:7-8

† *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

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Hymn **323**
ARISE

THANKSGIVING

Everlasting God

Kaitlynn Tompkins
Vocal Solo

†*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

Hymn

Text: para. of Psa. 23 by Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877)

Tune: ST COLUMBA, traditional Irish hymn melody



1. The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
3. Per - verse and fool - ish, oft I strayed, but yet in
4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
5. Thou spread'st a tab - le in my sight, Thy unc - tion
6. And so, through - out the length of days, Thy good - ness

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul He lead - eth, And where the ver - dant
love He sought me, And on His shoul - der
Lord, be - side me; Thy rod and staff my
grace be - stow - eth: And oh, what trans - port
fail - eth nev - er; Good Shep - herd, may I

I am His, and He is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.
of de - light from Thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!
sing Thy praise with - in Thy house for - ev - er.



PETITION
†Prayer of Intercession

Offering

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Jonah 4

†I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Hymn **6**
ELLACOMBE

THE SERMON

Refining the Mission— Acts 15:1–35

†Fairest Lord Jesus

Hymn **162**
CRUSADER'S HYMN

† PRAYER & BENEDICTION

†Congregation will stand (if able)



Farewell Reception for Al and Maybeth Bauch, 4:00–6:00

Special Time of Prayer, 6:00



REFINING THE MISSION— Acts 15:1–35
Pastor Greg Stiekes

After the Lord began to bring multiple Gentile believers into the church, a question arose among the Jewish Christians: *Isn't the call to embrace Christ for salvation also a call to submit to the traditions of the Mosaic Law?* This major issue allowed the first-century church to *refine* their mission, articulating for themselves as well as for us today not only the believer's relationship to the Law, but also the pristine message of the true gospel.

1. The Dispute: What has the Lord called his witnesses to proclaim? (Acts 15:1–5)
2. The Evidence: What has the Lord been doing lately? (Acts 15:6–12)
 - a. The Evidence of the Holy Spirit (8–9)
 - b. The Evidence of the Apostles' Works (12)
3. The Argument: What has God been doing all along? (Acts 15:13–17)
4. The Verdict: What does the Spirit require for the church? (Acts 15:18–32)
 - a. A Verdict Regarding the Initial Dispute (19, 24, 28)
 - b. A Verdict Regarding Jewish-Gentile Relations (20–21, 29, 31)



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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

TUESDAY --Watchmen's Meeting at 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY - Bible Study @ 7:00 pm
Respectable Sins, by Jerry Bridges
Reading the Bible with Open Eyes

NEXT SUNDAY: Combined Sunday School/Prayer Time

| | July 19 | Budget | YTD | YTD Budget |
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| General Fund | \$2,032 | \$3,725 | \$96,125 | \$108,025 |
| Missions | \$226 | | \$7,180 | |
| Deacons Fund | \$20 | | \$4,284 | |
| Building Fund | \$135 | | \$2,549 | \$49,370 |