

I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand,
 I shall not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad,
 and my whole being rejoices.

Psalm 16:8-9a

THE LORD'S DAY

August 23, 2015

WORSHIP SERVICE

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

Prelude

My Jesus, I Love Thee

[†]CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Psalm 16:8-9a

ADORATION

[†]Crown Him with Many Crowns

Hymn **46**DIADEMATA

[†]CONGREGATIONAL READING

The congregation will read text in italics.

1 Peter 1:13–25

¹³ Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being soberminded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

¹⁴ As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, ¹⁵ but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, ¹⁶ since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

¹⁷ And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile,

¹⁸ knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

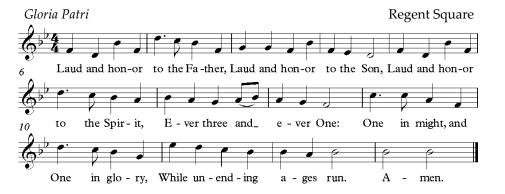
²⁰ He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you

²¹ who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

²² Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, ²³ since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God;

²⁴ for
"All flesh is like grass
and all its glory like the flower of grass.
The grass withers,
and the flower falls,
²⁵ but the word of the Lord remains forever."

[†]Doxology GLORIA PATRI



CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

O Lord, I Seek Thy Face

Vocal Solo, Kaitlynn Tompkins

PETITION

†Prayer of Intercession

Offering





THANKSGIVING

[†] I Stand Amazed in the Presence

Hymn **143**

My Savior's Love

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 4–5

[†]O for a Thousand Tongues

Hymn **15** LYNGHAM

THE SERMON The Witness's Discourse (Continued) Acts 17

[†]My Jesus, I Love Thee

Hymn **160 GORDON**

[†] Prayer & Benediction

[†]Congregation will stand

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6:00 Tonight

"Out of the Depths" The Story of John Newton

Music Camp Choir and Orchestra Mt. Calvary Ministry Team from Greenville, SC

The Witness's Discourse (Continued)—Acts 17 Pastor Greg Stiekes

As Jesus' witnesses, our task is not merely to announce the gospel, hoping that the seeds will land on good soil and bear fruit. We will be called upon to *explain* the gospel so that the listeners are persuaded by it (compare Luke 24:47 and Matt 28:19–20). This means that we must become better at reasoning with people about the truth of the gospel, so that they are moved by the truth. And for that lesson we will sit at the feet of the apostle Paul, observing his discourse with both Jews and Gentiles.

Last Lord's Day:

- 1. Paul's Standard Approach
 - a. His Method of Discourse (Acts 17:1–4, 10–12)
 - (1) Reading the Word
 - (2) Explaining the Word
 - (3) Applying the Word

Today:

- b. His Place of Discourse (Acts 17:17)
- 2. Paul's Situational Adaptation
 - a. His Discourse with Jews in the Synagogue (Acts 13:14–44)
 - b. His Discourse with Gentiles in the Areopagus (Acts 17:22–34)



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Sunday School, 9:45; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00, Sunday Evening Prayer Meeting, 6:00. Fellowship Dinner $\check{3}^{rd}$ Sunday of the month $\check{\mathcal{E}}$ 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 fover 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 7:00

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

Mark vour calendars:

New Members Class-- Wed., Sept. 2nd 6:30-8:30 pm

Awana begins Wed. Sept. 9 at 6:45 pm. Contact Chip or Ranae Worrell if you interested in being a leader.

Business Meeting---Sunday, Sept 13 at 6:00 pm

	Aug 16	Budget	YTD	YTD Budget
General Fund	\$3,808	\$3,725	\$109,986	\$122,925
Missions			\$7,732	
Deacons Fund	\$20		\$4,930	
Building Fund	\$45	_	\$2,771	\$49,592

KIDS4TRUTH O&A AND MEMORY VERSE FOR NEXT WEEK

O. What is "salvation"?

A. Salvation is the everlasting life and forgiveness that God gives freely to sinners who believe on the Lord Jesus Christ by grace through faith to save them. Saved sinners are declared righteous by God and adopted into His family. They are steadily changing to become more like their Savior and steadfastly hoping for the future when they will be resurrected to live with Him in glory forever. Jonah 2:9b--Salvation belongs to the LORD! (901)



