

Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord, O my soul!
I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I
have my being.

Psalm 146:1-2

THE LORD'S DAY

November 22, 2015

Worship Service

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

Prelude

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

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† Call to Worship & Prayer of Invocation

Psalm 146:1-2

Adoration

† *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Hymn **88**

NICAEA

† Congregational Reading

Ephesians 4:1-13

The congregation will read text in italics.

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

⁴*There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—* ⁵*one Lord, one faith, one baptism,* ⁶*one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.*

⁷But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it says, "When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men."

¹¹*And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the and teachers,* ¹²*to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,* ¹³*until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.*

† *Doxology*

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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 Grace in Christ

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Hymn **407**

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Thanksgiving

Where'er You Walk

America

Where'er You Walk

Vocal Ensemble

Viva Voce

Petition

† Prayer of Intercession & Offering

Ministry of the Word

Scripture Reading

Revelation 18

† *Blessed Assurance*

Hymn **463**
DELIVERANCE

THE SERMON

“Agreeing to Agree: Unity in the Body of Christ”
1 Corinthians 1:10

† *The Church’s One Foundation*

Hymn **165**
AURELIA

† **Prayer & Benediction**

† *Congregation invited to stand, if able.*



Evening Prayer Service, 6:00

Be praying for God's wisdom and direction for our church body in upcoming decisions

“Agreeing to Agree: Unity in the Body of Christ”—1 Cor 1:10
Pastor Greg Stiekes

“Tolerance,” traditionally defined, is when we “agree to disagree.” But biblical “unity” in the church, is “agreeing to agree.” Unity is not created by hiding our true motivation and understanding so that we don’t offend people. Unity takes place when we *together* bring our motivations and understanding under the authority of the Word of God. This understanding of the kind of oneness that we share in Christ comes home to us as we look at the message of unity in Paul’s letters, beginning with Ephesians and 1 Corinthians:

1. The Unity of the Body in Ephesians

2. The Unity of the Body in 1 Corinthians



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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, Adult Bible Study, Teen Bible Study
Please note weekly announcements for any changes to this schedule.*

To our guests: Welcome to Bethany Bible Church! We trust that you will sense our love for the Lord and our desire to sincerely worship Him and magnify His Word. You and your entire family are invited to worship with us. If you desire, a nursery is provided for children ages 0–3, and the service is simulcast in our large Sunday School room down the hall if you need to attend to young children. We would love to have a record of your visit. Please find a guest card, located in the backs of the pews, which you can fill out and place in the offering plate or hand to an usher or the pastor. Thank you! We trust that God will richly bless you as we endeavor to magnify the Lord on His day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMING EVENTS

Tuesday Nov 24 -Thanksgiving Service @ 7:00; no Wed. Services
Kindred Spirits Tour of Governor’s Summer Home & Lunch
Saturday Dec. 5---11:00 am -- 4:00 pm

Annual Business Meeting Dec. 6th at 6:00pm. Proposed Budget for 2016 is on table in foyer.

Christmas Worship Service Sunday Dec 13 @ 10:30, no Sunday School; Christmas gathering at Kanuga 6:00 pm

	Nov 15	Budget	YTD	YTD Budget
General Fund	\$4,008	\$3,725	\$153,299	\$171,350
Missions			\$17,030	
Deacons Fund	\$150		\$6,647	
Building Fund	\$25		\$3,483	\$50,284

KIDS4TRUTH Q&A AND MEMORY VERSE FOR NEXT WEEK

Q. What is "sanctification"?

A . Sanctification is God's ongoing work through His Word to change believers so their lives will reflect more and more of Jesus' likeness for His glory. **2 Corinthians 3:18**-And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit. (1002)