

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;
I will sing praises to you among the nations.
For your steadfast love is great to the heavens,
Your faithfulness to the clouds.

Psalm 57:9–10

THE LORD'S DAY

January 3, 2016

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 57:9–10

Adoration

[†]*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

Hymn 2

MADRID

[†]Congregational Reading

Psalm 28:6–9

The congregation will read text in italics.

⁶ Blessed be the LORD!
For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

⁷ *The LORD is my strength and my shield;
in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
my heart exults,
and with my song I give thanks to him.*

⁸ The LORD is the strength of his people;
he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

⁹ *Oh, save your people and bless your heritage!
Be their shepherd and carry them forever.*

[†] *Doxology*

DIADEMATA (“CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS”)

Praise, as in ages past; praise, as in glory now;
Praise, while eternity shall last, to Thee, O God, we vow;
Whom all the heav’nly host and saints on earth adore;
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost be glory ever more! Amen!

Thanksgiving

A Garment of Praise

Vocal Solo
Kaitlynn Tompkins

Petition

[†]Prayer of Intercession & Offering

Ministry of the Word

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 1:1–2:10

His Robes for Mine

ANDERSON

His robes for mine: O wonderful exchange!
Clothed in my sin, Christ suffered ‘neath God’s rage.
Draped in His righteousness, I’m justified.
In Christ I live, for in my place He died.

*I cling to Christ, and marvel at the cost:
Jesus forsaken, God estranged from God.
Bought by such love, my life is not my own.
My praise—my all—shall be for Christ alone.*

His robes for mine: what cause have I for dread?
God’s daunting Law Christ mastered in my stead.
Faultless I stand with righteous works not mine,
Saved by my Lord’s vicarious death and life.

His robes for mine: God's justice is appeased.
Jesus is crushed, and thus the Father's pleased.
Christ drank God's wrath on sin, then cried "'Tis done!"
Sin's wage is paid; propitiation won.

His robes for mine: such anguish none can know.
Christ, God's beloved, condemned as though His foe.
He, as though I, accursed and left alone;
I, as though He, embraced and welcomed home!

THE SERMON
"Stirring Our Spiritual Memory"
2 Peter 1:12-15

The Lord's Table

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-32

Prayer & Receiving of the Bread

Prayer & Receiving of the Cup

Deacons Fund Offering

† *My Jesus, I Love Thee*

Hymn **160**
GORDON

† **Prayer & Benediction**

† *Congregation invited to stand, if able.*



Prayer Meeting, 6:00 PM

"Stirring Our Spiritual Memory"—2 Peter 1:12-15
Pastor Greg Stiekes

As Peter neared the end of his ministry to the church, he was intent not to give the Lord's people something new, but to *stir their spiritual memory*, or make them recall what they already had. Likewise, as my pastoral ministry at Bethany draws to a close, I would like to remind you of several essential blessings that are yours as believers in Christ.

1. You have a magnificent salvation (Eph 2:1-10).

Next Lord's Day:

2. You have the indwelling Holy Spirit (1 Thess 4:8-9).



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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

THIS WEEK BE IN MUCH PRAYER FOR DECISIONS BEING MADE BY THE CHURCH BODY AS IT RELATES TO THE PASTORAL SEARCH

Wednesday - Awana 6:45; Adult Bible Study 7:00;
Teens at St Jacques home 7:00

Next Sunday -Business meeting after morning worship service to vote for Pulpit Committee

Contribution Statements -for 2015 are on the table in the foyer.

	Dec 27	Budget	YTD	YTD Budget
General Fund	\$3,650	\$3,725	\$173,484	\$193,700
Missions	\$150		\$17,417	
Deacons Fund			\$7,110	
Building Fund	\$172		\$3,890	\$50,691

KIDS4TRUTH Q&A AND MEMORY VERSE FOR NEXT WEEK

Q. What does it mean to "love God and others"?

A . To love God and others means to treat them with genuine care, humility, and loyal kindness. **Philippians 2:3-4** - Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. (1006)