

WELCOME

December 13, 2020

Good morning! We are happy that you have chosen to worship with us today. Our desire is to build biblical community and to make disciples who love God, love others, and serve both. Please take a moment to fill out the connection card attached to this bulletin and drop it in the offering plate at the entrance. This will give us an opportunity to learn your name and know that you were here. Thank you again for joining us in worship today. May God bless your week!

TODAY

Sunday School - 9:45 am

There is one Adult Sunday School class in the gym for 7th Grade and up. Today, we will continue with the series "The Case for Christmas" by Lee Strobel. Our Children's Ministry, newborns to 6th graders, meet in the lower level.

Morning Service - 11:00 am

Today, Pastor Mike will continue in the series called UN-Christmas.

CrossRoads - 6:00 pm

Young adults, 18 & up, meet in the room behind the balcony for a time of encouragement and a study in Galatians. If you would like more information, please email crossroads@connect2bethany.org.

Prayer Cards

We have cards of encouragement at the Welcome Center to let others know that we are praying for them. This week, there are cards for the DeKok family, Jo Kuhnle, Marilyn Storrs, Rhys & Becky John, and Kim Fernandez who teaches Special Ed at Rainbow Elementary.

Food Boxes

We are still blessed with a large amount of food from a local food bank. If you or someone you know could use food, please feel free to take some from the Common Grounds area.

THIS WEEK

Monday:	7:00 pm	Virtual Celebrate Recovery
	7:00 pm	Missions Meeting
Tuesday:	6:00 pm	Prayer for the Nation
	7:00 pm	Deacon Meeting
Wednesday:	11:00 am	Quilting Time
Saturday:	8:00 am	Men's Bible Study

Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery meets every Monday at 7:00 pm over Zoom. Follow Celebrate Recovery on Facebook @CelebrateRecoveryBethany and on YouTube at CR Bethany for weekly playlists and updates.

Quilting Time

Come and join this ministry that makes quilts for those in need and various ministries! Sewing skills are not necessary. They meet every Wednesday at 11:00 am in Room 103 in the gym.

Prayer for the Nation

Prayer for the Nation meets each Tuesday at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room.

Go Fish - Men's Bible Study

Every Saturday at 8:00 am, the Men's Ministry meet in Room 108 (Lyle Parr's classroom). This Saturday, they will continue a series by Andy Stanley entitled "Go Fish".

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clintondale Food Pantry

Come and help serve our local community by distributing food at the Clintondale Food Pantry every other Wednesday afternoon from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Distribution happens outside with loading food into cars curbside. You can sign up at the Welcome Center. See Robyn Miller or Wendy Washburn for more information.

Church Mailboxes

Just a reminder that church mailboxes are available to give and receive Christmas cards. Please mail cards for our out-of-town guests. If you don't have a church mailbox but would like one, contact the church office at 586-791-1190.

Church Information

If we have to close down because of snow, covid, or other issues, we will keep you updated through group emails and on our website. Continue to check your email and stay up to date. If you do not receive emails from Bethany, please call the church office at 586-791-1190 and we will add your email to the list.

Communion

We will observe communion next Sunday, December 20, before Christmas.

CONNECTION CARD

Let us know how we can best serve you. To complete, please use both sides of the tear-off.

- I'm interested in joining a connection group
- I'm interested in becoming a volunteer

I want to know more about baptism

Please update my information

I want to make a faith offering commitment

I want to thank God (Please write in the blank space)

I have a prayer request (Please write in the space below)

SERMON NOTES

December 13, 2020
Pastor Mike Miller

“The UN Christmas - Undeserved”

I. Introduction - “Santa Claus Is Coming To Town”

II. We _____ ... (Luke 2:8-20)

- a. What I _____ influences what I _____
- b. I _____ to be given something
 - i. We _____ ourselves to others
 - ii. We _____ the scales of good and bad
 - iii. We _____ with God

c. Shepherds were _____

III. We _____ ... (Romans 5:12-21 - NLV)

- a. We’ve been given a gift ... _____ (Rom 5:15a)
- b. We’ve been given a gift ... _____ (Rom 5:15b)
- c. We’ve been given a gift ... _____ (Rom 5:17)

IV. We _____ ... (James 1:17, Matthew 7:11)

- a. To give the gift of _____ ... _____
 - i. Just like it’s been given to us (Heb 12:15, Luke 15:11-32)
- b. To give the gift of _____ ... even when it’s _____
 - i. Just like it’s been given to us (Matt 18:21-35, Col 3:13)



*“Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign:
The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son,
and will call him Immanuel!” Isaiah 7:14*

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Welcome! We are so glad that you chose to worship with us today and look forward to seeing you again!



If you are visiting today and would like to learn more about Bethany, please complete this side of the tear-off, and place it in an offering plate at the entrance.

If you are a member, or regular attender, and need to update your contact information, or choose to make a faith offering commitment, please complete both sides of the tear-off, and place it in an offering plate at the entrance.

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City / State / Zip _____

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Email _____

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