SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

All Saints Day and Holy Communion
November 1, 2026
11 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome, Announcements, Joys, and Concerns

Prelude: "Amazing Grace" ..... Green
Gail McCormack, pianist

*Call to Worship

Leader: What kind of love has God given us?

People: A love that proclaims we are God's very own.

Leader: What kind of promise has God given us?

People: God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.

Leader: What kind of future has God given us?

People: God will lead us to springs of life-giving water.

Leader: Blessings and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving,

People: honor, power, and might,

Leader: What kind of future has God given us?

People: To be to our God, forever! Amen.

*Hymn: "When Morning Gilds the Skies" ..... # 487
(v. 1, 2, & 4)

Prayer of Praise (be seated)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy God, we know that we may rest in the promises of our baptism. We know that your grace rests on us this day and every day. We are always in your constant care, yet things happen. Life tumbles, our attention turns to other things, and your promises seem distant. We often retreat into fear. We worry about everything, including what we cannot change. We forget about you. We focus on only ourselves. Lord, forgive our anxious fears. Lead us to be the people of God that you created us to be, disciples of Jesus Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL SAINTS' DAY FLOWERS: The flowers are placed by to the Glory of God and in loving memory of those in the Bethel family who joined the Church Triumphant from November 1, 2025 – through October 31, 2026: Glen Carter (March 13), Bethel's music director; Gail Savage Glover (March 31), past member from cradle roll to adulthood; Sara Lyle Koger (May 27), member over half a century; Libby Steadman (July 30), member for 14 years and elder; Denise Simmons Butler (Oct. 5), past member for a quarter of a century.

COMMUNION: The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be observed today.

CHOIR PRACTICE: The choir will practice Wednesday at 4 p.m.

DISCIPLESHIP COMMITTEE: The committee chaired by Elder Brooke Parker will hold its quarterly meeting Monday, Nov. 2, at 4 p.m., to plan for the upcoming Advent Season.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: The PW Circle will meet Monday, Nov. 9, at 4 pm. Joyce Grimes will give the study on the letter *N*. Nancy Thomas will offer the emphasis from *Horizons.* Janis Blocker will provide refreshments. Circle is an opportunity for all sisters in faith to study and fellowship together.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE COMMITTEE: The committee, co-chaired by Elders Barbara Meetze and Nancy Thomas, will meet Monday, Nov. 9 at 5:15 p.m., following the PW Circle. The committee will plan for the Bethel Bunch Lunch at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 18, and Thanksgiving baskets.

PRESBYTERY MEETING: The fall stated meeting of Presbytery will be Tuesday, Nov. 10, at James Island Presbyterian Church. Calvin Bailey serves serve as elder commissioner; Pastor Meeuwse, as minister commissioner; and Session Clerk Janis Blocker as Recording Clerk of Presbytery.

SPECIAL NOTE TO MEMBERS: Free copies of Bethel's history through 2023 are in the Narthex. If you do not have one, get one on your way out of the sanctuary.

MISSION EMPHASIS: The presbytery-wide mission emphasis for November is Thornwell in Clinton, South Carolina. Thornwell is a faith-based non-profit organization with a 150-year history dedicated to supporting children, families, and communities. It was established in 1875 by Rev. William Plumer Jacobs as an orphanage starting with 10 children in the Home of Peace. You may give anytime during this month. Make check payable to Bethel and earmarked "Thornwell."

Nov 8	Veterans Day recognition
Nov 15	Hickman
Nov 22	McCormack
Nov 29	Johnson

CHURCH DIRECTORY

STAFF

Pastor	**Henry Meeuwse**
Clerical Secretary	**Gail McCormack**
Financial Secretary	**Melodie Ellis**
Sexton	**Willie Lawery**
Pianist/Organist	**Gail McCormack, Carolyn Burns, Ellen Murray**

CHURCH OFFICERS

Moderator	**Henry Meeuwse**
Clerk of Session	**Janis Blocker**
Co-treasurers	**Calvin Bailey & Billie Clark**

SESSION COUNCIL

Moderator: Henry Meeuwse Clerk of Session: Janis Blocker

Class of 2026	Class of 2027	Class of 2028
Calvin Bailey	Barbara Meetze	Steve Bazzle
Brooke Parker	Vacant	Vacant
Nancy Thomas		

STANDING COMMITTEES

Discipleship	**Brooke Parker, chair**
Congregational Care	**Barbara Meetze & Nancy Thomas, co-chairs**
Fellowship	**Calvin Bailey, chair**
Property	**Steve Bazzle, chair**
Stewardship/Finance	**Barbara Meetze, chair**
Personnel	**Nancy Thomas, chair**

PRESBYTERY

Commissioner to 227th PCUSA General Assembly (2026): Henry Meeuwse
Recording Clerk: Janis Blocker

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Henry Meeuwse, Commissioned Pastor

BETHEL FAMILY

Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn." – Romans 12:15
If anyone needs to be added to the prayer list, contact Janis Blocker (janisblocker@gmail.com)

CONCERNS

Members and Attendees

Janet Carter (843-908-3441)
Joyce Chaplin (843-898-1126)
Joan Girardeau (843-908-9285)
Bobbi Hiott (843-549-5845)
Michael and Heather Marshall (843-542-4389)
Mary Catherine Plowden (843-616-2087)
Bill Rogers (843-562-6987)
Elfi vonLehe (131 Hidden Fawn Circle, Goose Creek 29445)

Extended Family

Billie Clark (sister Virginia)
Katie Crosby (father Art Lindsay, brother Duncan Lindsay)
Joyce Grimes (sister and 12-year-old granddaughter Abigail Grimes)
Lenore Hickman (son Bill)
Gail McCormack (father Dan Reeves)
Barbara Meetze (brother Bill Johns)
Bill Rogers (nephew Scott Bell)

Homebound

Gary Hutchison (843-460-7191) Veterans' Victory House
Duncan Lindsay Columbia Pres. Community, 700 DaVega Dr., Lexington 29073
Mildred Smoak (843-782-4075)

November birthdays: Billie Clark, November 9; Barry McRoy, November 11; Bucky McCormack, November 12; Mary Ann Buchanan, November 15; Asher Crosby, November 23; Buck Buchanan, November 27

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri .....# 579

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Anthem: "Taste and See"…….…..… Moore
Scripture Lessons:
Psalm 34:1-10, 22, Old Testament page 508……..…..... Kristi Meeuwse
Matthew 5:1-12, New Testament page 4 ..... Henry Meeuwse
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
Prayer for Illumination
Sermon .....“From Brokenness to Blessing”

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Call to Offering
(Offerings may be placed in the plates at the double doors upon entering or leaving the sanctuary)
Offertory: "Goin' Home/Till We Meet Again" ……...… Fisher/Tonioli
*The Doxology ..... # 592
*Offertory Prayer
*Affirmation of Faith (from the Heidelberg Catechism)..... bulletin, page 4
*Hymn: "For the Bread Which You Have Broken"..... # 508
(all verses)
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ..... bulletin, page 5

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn: "For All the Saints" .....# 526
(v. 1, 3, & 4)
*Charge and Benediction
*Congregational Response: "Change My Heart, O God" ..... STF# 2152

Change my heart, O God,
make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God,
may I be like you.

Postlude: "It is Well" …… arr. Tonioli

*Those who are able, please stand.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from the Heidelberg Catechism)

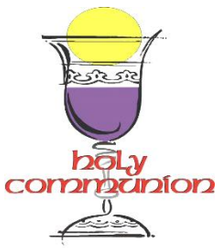
What is your only comfort in life and death?

That I am not my own, but belong, body and soul, in life and death, to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood and has set me free from the tyranny of evil. He watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Leader: *Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God.*
They will come from East and West and North and South and sit at the Table in the Kingdom of God.
The Lord be with you.



People: **And also with you.**

Leader: *Lift up your hearts.*

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: *Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.*

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: ***Eternal and Everlasting God, it is right to bless you, and give thanks to you. AMEN.***

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: *Holy God, we praise you. Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad.*

We bless you for creating the whole world, for your promises to your people Israel, and for the life we know in Jesus Christ your Son.

Born of Mary, he shares our life.
Eating with sinners, he welcomes us.
Leading his followers, he guides us.
Dying on the cross, he rescues us.
Risen from the dead, he gives new life.

With thanksgiving, we take this bread and this cup and proclaim his death and resurrection. Receive our sacrifice of praise.

All: **We give you thanks, O God, to whom be glory and honor and whose son taught us to pray, saying …**

***Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

***Ecumenical Version**

SERVING OF BREAD AND WINE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING