

Order For the Public Worship of God

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God. John 1:1
* If you are able, please stand in body or spirit for these acts of worship.

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & GREETING

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Unison) Psalm 27:1-4
The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life-of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked advance against me to devour me, it is my enemies and my foes who will stumble and fall. Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; though war break out against me, even then I will be confident. One thing I ask from the LORD, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.

*GATHERING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN NO. 47 “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”

WORSHIP OF GOD

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)
Lord, how dull, dead, and negligent I have been in my service to You. You have said, “Cursed is the on who does the work of the Lord negligently” – and yet my prayers are cold, my hearing distracted, my service superficial and lifeless. I have slighted Your precious promises, grieved Your Holy Spirit, and left Your gifts uncultivated. I have not labored for holiness or sought the sealing of Your Spirit. My heart is lazy, and my hands are idle. Lord, I confess- my sin has held back the sweet influences of Your grace. But You have looked on my low estate. Though I was a stranger, You have made me a citizen of heaven. You have visited me with mercy, written my name above, and promised me an eternal weight of glory surpassing understanding. What love is this? What patience? What grace? My soul grieves for sin, and blesses Your name forever in Christ. Amen.

MOMENT FOR SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Unison) Hebrews 12:1&2
Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

* GLORIA PATRI Hymn No. 546
Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end! Amen, Amen.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES/COMMISSIONING OF WV MISSION TRIP
Mrs. Hannah Winstead
Children 3K through 2nd grade may leave for Children’s Worship Service.
McArn Building, Room 40.

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN NO. 275
“Amazing Grace-How Sweet the Sound” (SECOND TUNE)

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER Hymnal page 12
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever! Amen

TTITHES & OFFERINGS
Invitation
Offertory Music
*The Doxology Hymn No. 544
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen
*Prayer of Dedication

PROCLAMATION OF GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON Romans 11:33-36
33O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! 34“For who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?” 35“Or who has given a gift to him, to receive a gift in return?” 36For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever. Amen.

Leader: These are the words of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON
“Is God still Amazing to You? The Power of Wonder in the Christian Life”
Rev. Jim Dallery

Sermon Notes

* THE APOSTLES CREED Hymnal, page 12
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SENDING OF GOD’S PEOPLE

*HYMN OF DEPARTURE NO. 399 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”
*BENEDICTION
*THE GREETING OF PEACE
Leader: May the peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you!
*POSTLUDE

PRAYER CONCERNS

During this time of transition, please pray for Bethesda and its’ leadership.

MEMBERS: Susan Marshall, Baynard Boykin, Carol Meckstroth, Judy Martin, Elliott Sheorn, John Shaylor, Larry Parrott, Debbie Herman, Ken Mays, Roy Isaacson, Sally Huntley, Erline Vaughan (mail: c/o Hart Hayden, 106 Hickory Lane, Cayce, SC 29033)

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Lyn Neil (Jan Massalon’s cousin), Anna Vaughn Manly (cousin of the Thomas’), Judy McAbee (Lisa Woolard’s mother), Barbara Cecil (Carolyn Drake’s sister), Christy Brazell (friend of Karen Lindsay), Diane Alexander (friend of Mike Eddings), Clint Baxley (Stephanie Batten’s brother), Betty Carges (family friend of Jim & Jo McLeod), Mary Wannamaker Hendrix, Huntley Duryea (The Windham’s nephew), Clair Orvin (friend of Jan Massalon), Nina Bell (Doug Bell’s sister-in-law), Paul Davis (friend of Freddie and Louise Myers), Colette Hearon (friend of the Floyds), Arthur Simon (friend of the Parnells), Debbie Durant (friend of the Massalons), Wallace Barr (Carolyn Hammond’s brother), George Carder (Jo McLeod’s cousin), Mike Mays (Bob Mays’ son), John Kennelly (friend of Angie & Lindsay Guy), Rev. Tim Erskine, Sophie Butcha (friend of the Satterwhites), John Hoke (Tom’s brother), Rory Gaffney (Tommy & Elizabeth Gaffney’s grandson)
MILITARY: Hamilton Matthews (friend of Marc & Kathryn Jones), Matthew Palmer, Clay Higgins (Grandson of Emily Jones, nephew of the Deals and Joneses), Jonathan & Laurie VanEtten (Pam & Bill Nettles’ daughter and son-in-law)

TODAY’S FLOWERS ARE GIVEN BY the Bethesda Flower Guild in honor of Bethesda’s Homebound Prayer Warriors.

Congregational Calendar & Events

SUNDAY	9:15 AM	Fellowship
	9:30 AM	RISE
	10:00 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Worship Service
MONDAY-SATURDAY	8:00 AM	WV Mission Trip

JULY USHER CAPTAIN: Larry Gibbes
JULY GREETER CAPTAIN: Mike Satterwhite
GUEST MUSICIAN
Our guest musician today is Tom Dickinson. He is a physician at Urgent Care in Florence. We welcome him and thank him for his contribution to our worship service today.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS
We desperately need nursey volunteers for Sunday School and Church. The average is once per month, but the more volunteers, the less the commitment. Please contact Jan Massalon at 803-730-4841 or via email at 1611jfarrell@gmail.com.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD
July items needed: crayons, pens, notepads, washcloths, hairbrush, & combs.

NEW BETHESDA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL DIRECTOR
Neely Allen has accepted the position as the new director of Bethesda Christian School. Neely and her family recently moved back to Camden after a year in Texas for her husband, John’s, job. Neely has three children Paul, Luke, and Susie. Paul and Luke are graduates of BCS and they all cherish the time they spent here. Susie will be joining the two’s class starting in August. Neely was a neonatal intensive care nurse at Prisma Health Richland for eight years prior to moving to Texas. While in Texas, she served at her church, Flatonia Baptist Church, for a brief time as the Children’s Ministry Coordinator. She worked at the Children’s Center at USC while earning her bachelor’s degree in business. Also, she has been a lead teacher in the classroom. She has experience with children in different settings but her love for children has been evident throughout her life. She is looking forward to the opportunity to help the students learn and grow in the loving environment that has been created at Bethesda already. She hopes to continue to show the love of Christ to the children as they learn.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY – JUNE 2025

2025 Budget	\$746,392
Income (YTD)	324,058
Expenses (YTD)	364,255

*A nursery is available during the worship service in the McArn Building, Rm 38.

Welcome to Bethesda

We the people of Bethesda Presbyterian Church extend our cordial greetings to all who are visiting us today. It is our hope that you return and join us for worship and connect with our many daily ministries and activities.
The church sanctuary was designed by Robert Mills, the first Federal architect, who also designed the Washington Monument. It stands restored as originally constructed in 1822. It was dedicated as a National Historic Landmark by the National Park Service Division of the U.S. Department of Interior in 1985.

Bethesda Presbyterian Church Members are its ministers.


- The Session**
Christian Ed. – Annah Deal ’25, Jan Massalon ’26, John Stephenson ’27
Congregational Care - Joan Corbin ’25, Jo McLeod ’26., Bob Bates ’27
Property & Tech – Andrew Batten ’25, Jane Clyburn ’26, Thomas Martin ’27
Finances & Resources – Larry Gibbes ’25, Mike Satterwhite ’26, Lindsay Guy ’27
Worship & Evangelism – Bill Nettles ’25, Melanie Newman ’26, Jan Shumate ’27

- Ministry Staff**
Mr. Art Maxwell, Interim Head of Staff
Rev. Brent Kendall, Director of Evangelism, Outreach, & Ministries
Mrs. Hannah Winstead, Director of Children and Youth Ministry
Mr. & Mrs. John H. Dickinson, Directors of Music
Mr. Johnny Deal, Media Ministry Specialist
Mrs. Lisa Woolard, Moderator, Presbyterian Women
Mrs. Clara Fenton, Office Manager
Ms. Holley Ham, Staff Assistant
Mr. Tom Hoke, Facilities Manager

- Elders Emeriti**
Art Delperdang
Larry and Joy Parrott
Carol Rogers

For more information or if you have questions, please contact us at:
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Bethesda Presbyterian Church

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Camden, South Carolina
Est. 1822



Lord's Day, July 20, 2025
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
11:00 AM

Our mission at Bethesda Presbyterian Church:
“To know, love, glorify, and serve our Lord God.”



47 Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Charles Wesley, 1740 LUX PRIMA: 7. 7. 7. 7. 7. 7.
Charles F. Gounod, 1872

1. Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies; Christ, the true, the
2. Dark and cheer - less is the morn Un - ac - com - pa -
3. Vis - it, then, this soul of mine; Pierce the gloom of

on - ly Light, Sun of Right - eous - ness, a - rise,
nied by Thee; Joy - less is the day's re - turn
sin and grief; Fill me, Ra - dian - cy di - vine;

Tri - umph o'er the shades of night; Day - spring from on
Till Thy mer - cy's beams I see; Till they in - ward
Scat - ter all my un - be - lief; More and more Thy -

high, be near; Day - star, in my heart ap - pear.
light im - part, Glad my eyes and warm my heart.
self dis - play, Shin - ing to the per - fect day. A - MEN.

WORSHIP: MORNING

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275 Amazing Grace—How Sweet the Sound

(SECOND TUNE)

John Newton, 1779

AMAZING GRACE: C. M.

Early American melody
Arr. by Edwin O. Excell (1851-1921)

1. A - maz - ing grace—how sweet the sound—That saved a wretch like me!
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears re - lieved;
3. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al - read - y come;
4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His word my hope se - cures;

I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.
How pre - cious did that grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
He will my shield and por - tion be As long as life en - dures. A - MEN.

LIFE IN CHRIST: REPENTANCE AND FORGIVENESS

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Love Divine, All Loves Excelling 399

Charles Wesley, 1747

BEECHER: 8. 7. 8. 7. D.
John Zundel, 1870

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
2. Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to ev - ery trou - bled breast!
3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, Let us all Thy life re - ceive;
4. Fin - ish, then, Thy new cre - a - tion; Pure and spot - less let us be;

Fix in us Thy hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown!
Let us all in Thee in - her - it, Let us find the prom - ised rest;
Sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.
Let us see Thy great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee;

Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un - bound - ed love Thou art;
Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be;
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts a - bove;
Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in heaven we take our place,

Vis - it us with Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
End of faith, as its Be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
Pray, and praise Thee with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
Till we cast our crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise. A - MEN.

Alternative tune, "Hyfrydol," Hymn 123.

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LIFE IN CHRIST: LOVE