

Welcome to Bethany's time of  
**PRAISE & WORSHIP**

❖ **Second Sunday of Christmas** ❖  
**January 5, 2025**

**“A New Hallelujah”**

Can you hear, there's a new song  
Breaking out from the children of freedom?  
Every race, and every nation  
Sing it out sing a new hallelujah.  
Let us sing love to the nations  
Bringing hope from the grace that has freed us.  
Make Him known and make Him famous  
Sing it out, sing a new hallelujah.

**Refrain**

Arise, let the church arise.

Let love reach to the other side.

Alive, come alive...let the song arise. **Repeat**

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**REMEMBERING BETHANY'S MISSION**

P: As a community, gathered by God's great grace,  
we seek to live our mission of:

**C: being, living as, and making disciples of  
Jesus Christ.**

**WELCOME!**

**MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS  
& ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION**

**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS  
FOR A NEW YEAR**

P: Lord, in your eyes, a thousand years are as  
yesterday, like a day that has just gone by, like a  
watch in the night. But your mercy is eternal.

**C: Lord, have mercy upon us.**

P: Our days are like the evening shadow, but you,  
Lord, reign from eternity to eternity. Each day is a  
day of your love.

**C: Lord, have mercy upon us.**

P: When the time had been fulfilled, you came into  
our midst. When the time of our life will be  
fulfilled, forgive us and grant us an eternal  
inheritance near you.

**C: Lord, have mercy upon us.**

P: Almighty God does have mercy upon you, and  
through Jesus Christ, forgives you all your sins.  
May the mercy of God accompany you day after  
day, and lead you to eternal life.

**C: Amen.**

**“You Lifted Me Out”**

**Verse 1**

You turned my way  
You heard my cry  
You turned my mourning into shouting  
Sorrow may last for a night  
But with the light  
I am seeing  
I am singing

**Refrain**

You lifted me out  
You lifted me out  
And set me dancing dancing  
Free now I am free  
Your love rescued me  
Now it's the anthem I'm singing

**Verse 2**

Many will see  
Many will hear  
And find You strong enough to save  
Many the wonders You have done  
Your light has come  
I am seeing  
I am singing **Refrain**

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**PRAYER FOR TODAY**

Almighty God, you have filled all the earth with the  
light of your incarnate Word. By your grace  
empower us to reflect your light in all that we do,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who  
lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one  
God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

**BIBLE READINGS**

*Jeremiah 31: 7-14*

*Ephesians 1: 3-14*

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

**“I Give You My Heart”**

## THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through Him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation He came down from  
heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the  
virgin Mary and became truly human.  
For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day He rose again, in accordance  
with the scriptures; He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living  
and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of  
life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and  
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness  
of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Petitions end, "Lord, hear our prayer."

### *Congregation sings:*

The Spirit intercedes for us  
With sighs too deep For words to express

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## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against  
us; And lead us not → temptation, but deliver us from  
evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the  
glory, forever and ever. Amen.

### *"Live Christ"*

Live Christ, love Christ, share Christ, be Christ.  
All these things do today.  
All these things along your way.

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## THE HOLY GOSPEL

*John 1: 1-14*

## MESSAGE

### *"Forever"*

Give thanks to the Lord, Our God and King  
His love endures forever  
For He is good He is above all things  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise sing praise

With a mighty hand and an outstretched arm  
His love endures forever  
For the life that's been reborn  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise sing praise

### *Pre-Refrain:*

Sing praise sing praise

### *Refrain*

Forever God is faithful  
Forever God is strong  
Forever God is with us  
Forever, forever

From the rising to the setting sun  
His love endures forever  
And by the grace of God we will carry on  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise, sing praise *Refrain*

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## BLESSING

### *"GO!"*

### *Refrain*

Go out and pray like it all depends on prayer,  
Go out and work like it all depends on work,  
Go out and love till the final day that He comes.  
Go out and sing the greatest song you know,  
Go out and study His word so we all can grow,  
Into the fullness of the likeness of His Son.

God is calling us to pray, God is calling us to work  
God is calling us to love and sing and study His word  
Disciples now it's time to 1 2 3 4 GO!

*words and music by Eyewitness*

## DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Be, live as, and make disciples of  
Jesus Christ...with enthusiasm!

C: **Thanks be to God! And we will...**