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10:30 AM

FAMILY WORSHIP

January 18, 2015

WELCOME

Pastor Lynch

*PRAISE HYMN

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

“We Believe”

Pastor: We believe that God is Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship in spirit and in truth.

People: *We believe that God is Light, and that if we walk in His light, we have fellowship one with another.*

Pastor: We believe that God is Love, and that everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

People: *We believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and that in Him we have life now and forever.*

Pastor: We believe that as Christ loves us, so we must love one another.

People: *And we believe that salvation and glory and power and praise belong to our God who reigns forever and ever. Amen.*

*PRAISE CHORUS

“The Bond of Love”

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MUSIC MINISTRY

“Be Thou My Vision”

Matthew 7:7-11

“Whisper a Prayer”

Sunbeam Choir

Allison Deimler

Casey Funck

Olivia Basham

MORNING PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Pastor Lynch

Congregation

THE OFFERTORY

Presentation of God’s Tithe

*The Doxology

*Dedication Prayer

Audrey Scipioni

*PREPARATION HYMN	“I Am Praying for You”	# 301
SCRIPTURE	John 14:12-17	Samantha Patrick
MESSAGE	Students in the School of Prayer “Why Pray for Others?”	Pastor Lynch
*COMMITMENT HYMN	“More Love to Thee”	# 299
*BENEDICTION		Pastor Lynch
*POSTLUDE		Audrey Scipioni

**We stand to honor Jesus Christ.*

Good morning welcome to Bethany where God’s word is honored, taught and proclaimed. Our mission is to glorify God by making-maturing-mobilizing enthusiastic disciples for Jesus Christ. Please sign the blue attendance pad and pass it along.

Infant care and a toddler class are held downstairs during worship and Sunday School.

Units for the hearing-impaired are available. Please speak with an usher for assistance.

CD’s of today’s service are available for \$2.00. Please contact Karen in the church office.

Today is Family Worship Sunday. There is no extended Sunday School for our children so families can be together in worship.

Serving today: **Sunbeam Choir Director:** Bethany Oleyniczak, **Sound System:** Dick Lasher, **Acolyte:** Braden Dibeler, **Ushers:** Tim and Barb Laraia, Richard and Sue Lasher, **Organist:** Audrey Scipioni.

Prayer request cards are in the pew rack. Please place them in the offering plate knowing that Pastor Lynch and the Bethany prayer chain will pray over your joys and concerns. If you would like to activate the Bethany prayer chain please call Vicki Smith at 838-5665.

Prayer joys/concerns: 1) Praise the Lord for the blessing of our children singing God’s praise. 2) Healing and hopeful mercies for Paul Finney, Janet Lilly, Joan Strait, Annette Floyd, Wendy Kling, Joyce Wherley, Karen Leicht, Evelyn Powell. 3) Our soldiers, sailors, marines and airmen. 4) Those in employment transition.

Our homebound person of the week is Sandy Long. Please pray for Sandy and sign the card in the rear of the sanctuary.

Your 2015 Bethany Church directory, our yearly church budget, Upper Room devotional booklet and January newsletter are available at the information table in the Gathering Room.

Sub and pretzel sandwich orders may be made at the information table. Orders are due this Wednesday, with pick up on Thursday January 29 from 11-12.

February newsletter articles are due today. Thank you.

The Loyal Workers meet tomorrow at 7:00 to plan the Valentine Luncheon for Interfaith Manor residents on Saturday February 14 at noon. A sign up sheet for residents has been posted.

Next Sunday the prayer sermon service concludes with "What About Unanswered Prayer?" from Acts 16:6-10. Casey Funck and Samantha Patrick will offer a flute duet.

Souper Sunday is February 1. Please bring jars of peanut butter and containers of soup (except tomato or chicken noodle) to help stock the pantry at the Caring Cupboard. You may wear your favorite team jersey or colors and enjoy a souper lunch in the social hall following worship.

Today is the last day to sign up for the Living Prayer Study Group, Mondays February 9 - March 23 from 6:30 - 7:30. The sign up sheet is on the Railroad Street exit bulletin board.

Dear Pastor John, the ceremony in which you baptized my grandson, Jackson Drew Allen, was both meaningful and inspiring. Thank you for making the beginning of Jackson's walk with God such a memorable event for him and his family. Thank also to Vicki Smith, Sandy Pillsbury, Carol Marcocci and Lori Walborn for all their help with the lunch. Sincerely, Marilyn Allen

To my Bethany Church Family: I thank everyone for your prayers, phone calls, cards and visits during my recent confinement. Pastor John, your visits were so welcome and uplifting, to my husband Larry, you were so gracious and caring, even on my bad days, thank you. In Christian fellowship, Joan Strait

2014 - In review, let us lift up to the Lord with praise. The year ended with \$1,966.66 more offering than expenses. If \$12,815.26 of prior year expenses were not paid, our offering would have been \$14,781.92 over the expenses. Thanks be to God and thanks to all for your tithes and gifts. For 2015 each week we need \$1,838.00 to cover our budgeted expenses. Last Sunday the attendance was 67, the attendance for the same Sunday a year ago was 79.