
Bethel Prayer Concerns

Sunday, February 13, 2022



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, thank you for the gift of this new day.
Guide my steps as I face choices to care for the earth or not,
to show compassion toward others or not,
to care for myself or not, to be true to Christ or not.
May each of my choices draw me closer to you. Amen.

REFLECTIONS

One commentator on Luke 6:17-26 writes, “Blessed’ does not simply describe a state of happiness or bliss. Rather, it refers in a theological sense to one’s standing before God (Deut. 33:29; Pss. 1:1; 40:4).” As you reflect on the blessings and woes in Luke’s Gospel and on the use of the word “happy” in Psalm 1:1 and “blessed” in Jeremiah 17:7, how does this meaning of “blessed” or “happy” contrast with contemporary uses of this word? What is one change you can make in your own life before God that would bring you into closer accord with Jesus’ understanding of blessedness?



Bethel Presbyterian Church Announcements

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Session has called the Annual Congregational /Corporation Meeting for Sunday, February 20, 2022 in the Sanctuary immediately following Worship. Please attend in person or via Facebook Live. We will hear the Corporation report and vote on three members for the Nominating Committee. Chuck Bunch for the 2021 Nominating Committee will present three nominees as 'members at large' for the 2022 Nominating Committee: Susan Garner, Elaine Steele, and Brad Parish. Nominations may also be made from the floor. The session has already elected two active elders to serve on the 2022 Nominating Committee: Chuck Bunch and Ken Dungan. The Annual Report Booklet will be emailed before the meeting with limited copies being available for pick up.



Today as we leave worship, the youth will be collecting money in large soup pots for the Souper Bowl of Caring. Roane County Cooperative Ministries (RCCM) Garden Grant program is our offering recipient. The grant provides

funding to RCCM clients for the purchase of garden tools, seed & fertilizer to grow their own vegetables in the spring and summer. Please give generously to this local offering.

HOME Food Collection

For the month of February our focus food is **Boxed Macaroni & Cheese or Stove Top Stuffing**. This and other non-perishable food items can be brought in throughout the month and placed in the yellow collection boxes in the Gathering Area. Thank you for supporting our local food pantry efforts to help needy families in our community.

