**Welcome to New Bethel Baptist Church**

*World Communion Sunday,* October 3, 2021

**Prelude** Dr. Christina Romero

**Gathering Song** *Trading My Sorrows*

*Beautiful Scandalous Night*

**\*Call to Worship**

*One:  Come Lord Jesus, quickly come.*

**Many:  Enter into this assembly and sanctify our gathering.**

*One:  You are worthy of our praise and our worship.*

**Many:  You have saved us. You have redeemed us.**

*One: We await your return as a solution to the struggles of this world.*

**All:  Come Lord Jesus, quickly come. And renew the love of our hearts.**

**\*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer (***using “sins”*) Karen Pappas

**\*Hymn** *Rejoice the Lord is King #370*

**Scripture Reading** 1 Samuel 12:6-25 Karen Pappas

**Worship Prayer** Tom Bartley

 *Sweet, Sweet Spirit #391*

**\*Hymn** *Breathe on Me #396*

**Children’s Message**  Karen Pappas

**Scripture Reflection** James 1:19-27Tom Bartley

**\*Hymn** *The Church’s One Foundation #401*

**Ministry Opportunities** Karen Pappas \*Offertory Dr. Christina Romero

\*Doxology #815

\*Prayer Karen Pappas

**Communion** Tom Bartley

**Benediction**  Tom Bartley

**Postlude**  Dr. Christina Romero & Phil Morgan

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**Happening This Week**

 Today 10:30 a.m. Live-stream and In-Person Sunday worship

Wednesday 11:00 a.m., Zoom Book discussion, *Dangerous Wonder,* contact Janie Bryant

 6:00 -7:00 p.m. God’s Bounty accepts donations

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 Thursday 1:00 -7:00 p.m. God’s Bounty serves community

2:00 -5:00 p.m. Clothing Pantry (closed on 5th Thursday)

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**Week Ahead**

Sunday October 10th 10:30 a.m. Worship

**Happening in October**

Sunday October 10th 1:30, 3:00, 4:30, 6:00 p.m. Listening Groups

Monday October 11th 9:30, 11:00 a.m. Listening Groups

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**Daily Prayer Calendar**

**Sunday, October 3, 2021:** Job 1:1; 2:1-10; Psalm 26; Hebrews1:1-4; 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16

**Monday, October 4, 2021**: Psalm 55:1-15; Job 8:1-22; 1 Corinthians 7:1-9

**Tuesday, October 5, 2021**: Psalm 55:1-15; Job 11:1-20; 1 Corinthians 7:10-16

**Wednesday, October 6, 2021**: Psalm 55:1-15; Job 15:1-35; Matthew 5:27-36

**Thursday, October 7, 2021**: Psalm 22:1-15; Job 17:1-16; Hebrews 3:7-19

**Friday, October 8, 2021**: Psalm 22:1-15; Job 18:1-21; Hebrews 4:1-11

**Saturday, October 9, 2021**: Psalm 22:1-15; Job 20:1-29; Matthew 15:1-9

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**WELCOME TO NEW BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**

**We are blessed by your presence!**

**GUEST AND MEMBERS:** If you have questions or would like more information about New Bethel, please feel free to contact the church office. Thank you!

*An American Baptist*

*Congregation*

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Rev. Tom Bartley, Interim Pastor

Julianne Thomas, Administrative Minister

Dr. Christina Romero, Pianist

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Join us for the 2021 Greater Indianapolis CROP Hunger Walk month! Walk with your team (or group of teams) any time in the month of October - and let us know when/where you're walking!

Use #IndyCROP and #CROPHungerWalk to connect with other walkers locally and follow us on Facebook @IndyCROPHungerWalk!

Find resources online at resources.crophungerwalk.org and contact Brooks to arrange getting any physical materials needed!

***Listening Groups***

American Baptist Churches of Greater Indianapolis will be hosting Listening Groups for our congregation. Everyone is invited to register for and participate in one of the groups. Please contact Janie Bryant to register.

Sunday October 10th or Monday October 11th

 1:30 p.m. 9:30 a.m.

 3:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m.

 4:30 p.m.

 6:00 p.m.

The group meetings will be held via Zoom. If you are not able to join via Zoom, please let Janie know so that accommodations may be made. Access to Zoom should not keep you from participating.

Please contact Janie to register by this Friday, October 8th.

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**God’s Bounty Food Pantry**

God’s Bounty Food Pantry’s service to the community continues to be impressive and God continues to bless our efforts. We are experiencing fluctuations in weekly ~~client~~ neighbor numbers that pose a challenge in matching volunteers and product. Last month we saw 70 clients one week to a low of 48 neighbors on another week. That being said, we have been blessed with supplies and volunteers to serve our neighbors.

NBBC has really supported this community mission. Times appear to be difficult for our members because very few donations are left at the church. I know many supported Simply Give but in looking at ways to support this mission I would appreciate any input from NBBC members on how we can support the mission (e.g., product donations, contributions, contacts that may work for a company that would donate, etc). Did you notice I am using “neighbors”? That is the term Gleaners wants us to use.

Any donations and volunteer support are greatly appreciated and needed. The pantry needs NBBC volunteers this coming week on Thursday 7 October 2021 to serve neighbors (1:00 to 6:30) and on Wednesday 6 October to accept donations (6:00 to 7:00 pm). Please contact me to volunteer this week. (Paul Young; KPY6767@att.net; 317 862-6767)

**Frequently Asked Questions for the New Bethel Listening Groups**

**What is the purpose of these groups?**

Listening events are used to give a church a clear snapshot of what is happening in their life together. Listening Conferences or Groups help churches move out of conflict, make important decisions, or discern new directions. The goal for New Bethel is to understand your current disagreements and to take the steps towards healing and wholeness.

**Why groups? When we did this before it was with one person listening.**

Listening groups give the added benefit of participants listening to one another as they share and can help bring out new insights. They are small enough in number to give everyone opportunity to speak and to hear the concerns of others.

**How will the groups work?**

The groups will meet on Zoom for one hour and will respond to a brief list of open ended questions. The Listening Team will guide the discussion, make notes, and prepare a report for the congregation which will include both what was heard and recommended steps for moving forward.

**Who is leading the groups?**

ABCGI Executive Minister Joan Friesen will facilitate each group. In addition, Rev. Mark Hetrick and Rev. Diane Zehr will listen and take notes. Mark and Diane are both experienced in this process and will help prepare the report.

**Why should I participate?**

We ask as many people sign up as possible in order to give the team the clearest picture of what is going on at New Bethel. We want to know everyone’s thoughts, opinions, and ideas, and if you’re not there we won’t know.

**How can I sign up?**

Janie Bryant is taking registrations. We do have a maximum number for each group so everyone gets opportunity to share. If you are technology challenged, please ask for help. It is permissible to have two people share a screen, but no more as everyone who participates will need to be on camera ready to speak for themselves.

**What will happen next?**

The report will be presented to the church on Sunday, October 31st following worship. You as a church choose what happens from there with ABCGI leaders available to assist.

**More questions?** Please ask Janie or contact the ABCGI office.

**2021 Finances**

 ***Month of September*** ***Year-to-Date***

Tithes/Offerings $6,261.15 $89,833.18

Expenses Paid $5,704.97 $93,238.46

Gain/(Loss) $556.18 ($3,405.28)

Budget Needs $12,685.83 $113,834.47

**How To Give to New Bethel Baptist Church**

* Mail giving to New Bethel Baptist Church

8936 Southeastern Ave.

Indianapolis, IN 46239

* PayPal: via our church website

If you are writing a check, please make it out to

 ***New Bethel Baptist Church Inc.***