

Bethel Presbyterian Church

May 10, 2026

An inclusive place of worship.



Liturgist: Elder, Fredrica Williams; **Spiritual Leader:** Ruling Elder, Hernel Braham; **The Word:** Rev Tene Howard, Elder David Roebuck; **Organist:** Elder, Dollie Lowe; **Pianist:** open; **Scripture Reader:** Brother, Jim Howard, Brother, Marcus McArthur; **The Offering:** Deacon Babatunde Ayroinde, Elder Michael Lawrence, Brother Richard Wright

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE/GATHERING

Call to Worship

Liturgist

This is the day the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

maker of heaven and earth

Let us worship God

Hymn: AA# “” Congregation / Spiritual Leader

Welcome:

Liturgist

Good morning! It is good to be here together in the House of the Lord on Mother's day. We are so glad you are with us today. God is so good, he woke us up this morning to be here, we are grateful, blessed and we welcome you.....

Call to Confession:

Liturgist

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. When we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us. Let us pray the Prayer of confession:

Prayer: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. In your mercy O'Lord forgive us of our sins.

Assurance of Pardon:

Elder David Roebuck

Hymn: AA#652

“Gloria Patria”

Passing of The Peace: Hymn: AA#498

“Let There Be Peace On Earth”

Prayer for Illumination & Scripture Readings:

Bro. James Howard & Bro. Marcus McArthur

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen, Ashe'

Today's scriptures The 6th Sunday of Easter from Revised Common Lectionary (Year A)

Reader 1: First reading Acts 17: 22-31

Reader 2: Gospel John 14: 15-21

Hymn of Preparation: AA#

“” Spiritual Leader

Introduction of the Messenger:

The Word

Scripture

Sermon

Elder, David Roebuck

The Opportunity

Affirmation of Faith

Apostle Creed

Liturgist

I believe in God, the Father All Mighty, 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, Ashe'

CHILDREN CIRCLE: A tribute to Mother

HYMN: AA#549 "THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE"

The Offering: Elder Mike Lawrence, Brother Richard Wright 2nd, Deacon Babatunde

Let Us Offer Our Gifts to God. In hope that the church can be a refuge for us and others, let us give our tithes and offerings to God.

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Prayer of Dedication

God, who faithfully fortifies the world you created, bless our gifts and use them to protect all creation and allow us all to flourish in Your justice and love. Amen.

DOXOLOGY: AA#651 "Praise God"

Hymn of Comfort: AA# " " Elder Braham

Prayer List:

Elder Hernel Braham

Traveling mercy.....

Lifting up in Prayer: all the mothers world-wide, Elder Nick Stevens, Elder James Plummer, Elder, Hernel Braham, Elder, David Roebuck, Rev. T. Howard, Rev. Dr. Leonard Bethel, Rev. Fonda Dortch-Taylor, Elder Charlotte Wright family, Sister Yvonne Ruty, Sister Veronica Bethel, Pearl Lowe, Elaine Young, Minette Braham, Brother Stevie and Dosha McArthur, Brother, Lee McArthur, George Bowen, Brother John & Donna Cheatwood, Gus Spruill, Pius, Cory, Fred Cook, the Caretakers, others whose names not called, the hungry, homeless, victims of violence, finally the innocent caught in the middle of violence, the crossfire of war...Lord have mercy on the innocent children and others impacted by violence these wars and threats of wars. We give thanks to God for Aron Wright progress in his recovery and others who are home. Let it be your will..... **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** "THE LORD'S PRAYER"

Acknowledgement:

Moment in History:

Announcements:

Liturgist

- Bible Study and prayers of comfort Online ZOOM every Thursday at 7PM. Rev Tene Howard & Elder Hernel Braham co-leaders.
- Community outreach: Soup kitchen program open every 2nd Saturday of the month. Hot soup.... Thanks to Mari Wright and the staff for their commitment to serve. Contact Elder Charlotte Wright or Elder Michael Lawrence to get involved.
- The Lincoln University of Pennsylvania, one of the first HBCU's in the United States, awarded the Medal of Distinction during the 2026 Commencement weekend to Rev. Dr. Leonard Bethel. The Alumni Medal of Distinction is given sparingly, recognizing his life's work and distinguished career in community service, social activism, education, ministry and so much more. Dr. Bethel accepted the award with an inspiring message of hope, faith and perseverance receiving a rousing standing ovation from the attendees. Congratulations Rev. Dr. Leonard Bethel for a job well done. May God's blessings be with you this day and forevermore.
- VOTE

Closing Hymn: AA#161

"Give me that old time Religion"

Elder Braham

BENEDICTION:

Elder, David Roebuck

Amen, Amen, Amen

Congregation

The coffee hour

"Let's talk about it"

Host Elder, Eric Williams and Brother Jim Howard