Bethel Presbyterian Church

November 15, 2026

An inclusive intentional worship experience

Liturgist: (think flow-transition focus on Holy One) Elder, Fredrica Williams
Spiritual Leader: Ruling Elder, Hernel Braham; **The Word:** Rev. Tene Howard, Minister, David Roebuck: **Organist:** Elder, Dollie Lowe; **Pianist:** open; **Scripture Reader:** Brother, Marcus McArthur: **The Offering:** Deacon Babatunde Ayroinde, Elder Michael Lawrence, Brother Richard Wright

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude
Gathering: **This is the day the Lord has made** Elder Braham and friends
Welcome: Liturgist
Call to worship:
Leader: With joy we come to worship God!
People: **We sing praises to God and declare God's marvelous deeds!**
Leader: O give thanks to the Holy One and remember God's wonderful works.
People: **Our hearts are glad; the Holy One has remembered us. Let us praise God together!**
Opening Hymn: AA#588 **"**Jesus Saves**"** Spiritual Leader

Call to confession: ……. We have been called to love our God with all our heart, mind, strength and soul; to love our neighbor as ourselves, but our lives are constricted and self-consumed……

Prayer of confession: "**Gracious 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. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. Have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, walk in your ways, in the power and the glory of your name. Lord forgive us!**

Assurance of Pardon: Minister David Roebuck
Hymn: AA#652 "Gloria Patria"
Passing of The Peace: Hymn: AA#498 "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Liturgist

Prayer for Illumination & Scripture Readings: 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 scripture readings from the **Revised Common Lectionary** (Year A)
Reader 1: Second Reading Thessalonians 5:1-11
Reader 2: Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

Hymn of Preparation: AA#499 "Since Jesus came into my heart" Spiritual Leader
Introduction of the Messenger:

The Word Scripture Sermon Minister David Roebuch
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 Corner: Open Heaven for Teens / Daily Devotional: Topic: The Battlefield of the Mind

Memory Verse: Isaiah 41:10 — "Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

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

~~Let Us Offer Our Gifts to God. That this church can be a refuge for us and others, let us give our tithes and offerings to God. If you are on Zoom, we thank you for your gifts and sacrifice.~~

Bethel Online Giving

Prayer of Dedication

~~God, who faithfully fortifies the world, bless our gifts, may we 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#504 "Love me'" Elder Braham

Prayer List: *Elder Hernel Braham*

Keeping in special prayer sister Barbara Lewis… We lift all servants of God, Elder Nick Stevens, Elder James Plummer, Elder, Hernel Braham, Rev. T. Howard, Rev. Dr. Leonard Bethel, Rev. Fonda Dortch-Taylor, Elder Charlotte Wright, Sister Yvonne Rutty, Sister Veronica Bethel, Elaine Young, Minette Braham, Brother Stevie and Dosha McArthur, Brother, Brother John & Donna Cheatwood, Pius, Cory, brother Fred Cook. All Caretakers and others whose names not called, the hungry, homeless, victims of violence …Lord have mercy on children all over the world impacted by violence….. *We give thanks to God for the good news for your grace and mercy*……

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE "THE LORD'S PRAYER**"**

Testimony: The Plainfield Six-Airmen

Announcements: **Liturgist**

- Stay woke, be aware the political climate touches all aspects of our lives even after election.
- Bible Study every Thursday 7pm on zoom: Order of Worship flow study is an eye opener for all who attended. Rev Tene & Elder Braham deserve accolades for preparation and teaching. Well, done!!!
- Soup Kitchen staff was back in operations yesterday. Can someone give a brief update on how things went?

Closing Hymn: AA#590 "We're marching to Zion" Elder Braham

BENEDICTION: Minister David Roebuck

Amen, Amen, Amen Congregation

The coffee hour **"**Let's talk about it**"** Host Elder, Eric Williams and friends