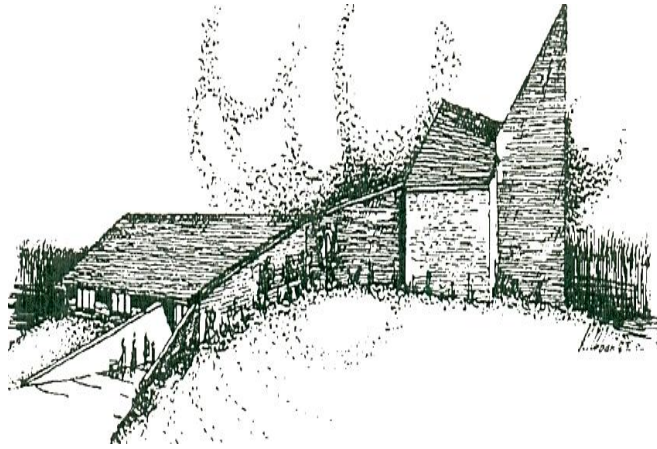


# Bethany Church of God



## Welcome Home to God's House!

Come, and find your place in a community of believers.  
Come and Be Blessed!

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## PRAISE and WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Sunday, May 10, 2026

Happy Mother's Day!

### CALL to WORSHIP

“Count Your Blessings” (126)

### PRAYER of WELCOME

### GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### A TIME of WORSHIP and PRAISE

“Faith of Our Mother's” (711)

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” (640)

“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” (647)

### A TIME of PRAYER

### MESSAGE

Pastor James Matt

“Held By God – Shaped By Love!”

### SONG of RESPONSE

“Trust and Obey” (525)

### CLOSING PRAYER and BENEDICTION



**MESSAGE NOTES**

**Scriptures**

Acts 17:28

**God the Giver of Life – A Mother’s Example** \_\_\_\_\_

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**God the Sustainer – A Mother’s Example** \_\_\_\_\_

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**God Shapes Us – A Mother’s Example** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Gratitude and Blessings – A Mother’s Example** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Next Sunday – “R.E.S.T.”**

Read 1 Peter 4:12-14 and 1 Peter 5:6-11



**CHALLENGE for the WEEK**

The Challenge for this week:

**KNOW AND ACCEPT THAT YOU ARE LOVED BY GOD!**



**THIS WEEK’S ACTIVITIES**

**Today – Mother’s Day!**

**8:00 p.m.** AA Meeting

**Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00 p.m.** Dinner and Fellowship

**6:00 p.m.** Bible Study

**Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m.** Tuckett Wedding Rehearsal

**Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00 p.m.** Tuckett Wedding

**Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> – Armed Forces Day & Good Neighbor Day!**

**9:00 a.m.** Men’s Breakfast @ Lighthouse Church CoG

**Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**

**9:15 a.m.** Contemporary Praise and Worship Celebration

**11:00 a.m.** Traditional/Blended Praise & Worship Celebration

**8:00 p.m.** AA Meeting



**Our Vision:**

Our prayer is that we are a faithful, loving people who are seeking to grow in Christ and thereby affect our world.

**Our Purpose:**

To Know and Share Christ

## CHURCH LIFE OPPORTUNITIES

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER AND BIBLE STUDY

Join us for **Dinner** and **Bible Study** this **Wednesday** evening; **5:00 p.m.** for dinner and **6:00 p.m.** for Bible Study. Come and enjoy a time of feeding your body and soul! We are studying the book of **Acts**. All are welcome to attend!

### MEN'S STOREHOUSE

This Men's Fellowship meets monthly for breakfast, and for other fellowship opportunities and service projects. This month they will meet for breakfast on **Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>** at **9:00 a.m.** They will be meeting at **Lighthouse Church, Church of God**, 26212 W. Six Mile, Reford. Hope you'll join us for breakfast and a time of fellowship. All men are welcome to attend! If you have questions about **Men's Storehouse**, please contact Glenn Hartshorn at (248) 318-3020.

### WARRIOR WOMEN IN CHRIST

This Women's Life Group meets on the **2<sup>nd</sup>** and **4<sup>th</sup>** **Saturday** of the month at **10 a.m.** The next one is **Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>** at **Chippewa Valley Church**, 41411 Romeo Plank Rd., Clinton Township. All women are welcome to come!

### FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Join with us and our sister Churches at **Evanswood Church of God**, 2601 E. Square Lake, Troy, for **Game Night** on the last Friday of the Month at **6 p.m.** The next one is **Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**! Bring a friend and your favorite snack!

### THE PANTRY

The Pantry is an on-going project here at the church. We can help those in need because of your donations. We welcome the donations of non-perishable food items (**Please Remember to Check Expiration Dates!**), personal toiletry items, Kleenex, paper towels, and toilet paper at any time for this Community Outreach. If you know of someone who needs pantry items, please contact Pastor Jim or the Church office! Thank you for helping with this Community Outreach!

### STAYING CONNECTED!

Whether you are not feeling well, travelling, working, or just getting up late, it is important to stay connected to your Church family! You can still be a part of everything by connecting with us on our website, [bethanychurchofgod.org](http://bethanychurchofgod.org) or Facebook. You can watch Sunday Morning Worship, Wednesday night Bible Study or keep up to date on all things Bethany! It is a wonderful way to stay connected when you can't be here!

### SPEED LIMIT DRIVING SCHOOL

This is a Driving School in the Sterling Heights Community that will be meeting here at Bethany during the week. If you know of someone who is ready to start driving, please encourage them to gather more information about this school. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center. For more information, call (586) 339-5899 or see Sal Sinawi.

## CHURCH LIFE OPPORTUNITIES

### GOOD NEIGHBOR DAY AMERICA!

**Good Neighbor Day America** is a nationwide movement to inspire the Good Neighbor in every American through love, kindness, and service. As we look ahead to America's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary, **Good Neighbor Day** is proud to partner with **America250** to honor this historic milestone. The nation's most loved charities, faith-based organizations, churches, and businesses are coming together for a monumental day of service to others! The hope is to inspire **250 Million Acts of Kindness** this **Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**! **The Guiding Principles of Good Neighbor Day** are:

- 1) **Uniting to do good.** We don't have to agree on everything to unite around a shared commitment to love and serve our neighbors.
- 2) **Dignity in Service.** We believe every person has inherent dignity and value. Acts of service uplift, empower, and honor both those being served and those who serve.
- 3) **Collaboration multiplies impact.** When charities, faith-based organizations, and businesses work together with purpose, communities are strengthened and transformational impact follows.
- 4) **A moment that lasts beyond a day.** **Good Neighbor Day America** aims to strengthen America's culture of service, cultivating ongoing collaboration that leads to meaningful outcomes in compassion, impactful partnerships, and lives changed.

So, let's be the hands and feet of Jesus this week and be a Good Neighbor to someone and, just maybe, besides seeing a good neighbor, they will see Jesus and His love too!



### What is America250?

On July 4, 2026, our nation will commemorate and celebrate the **250th anniversary** of the signing of the **Declaration of Independence**. The journey toward this historic milestone is an opportunity to pause and reflect on our nation's past, honor the contributions of all Americans, and look ahead toward the future we want to create for the next generation and beyond.

**America250** is the official nonpartisan initiative established by Congress to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the United States. Through programs, partnerships, and nationwide engagement, **America250** aims to inspire participation from every American to honor the nation's past, celebrate its present and build a more perfect future together. You can learn more at [www.America250.org](http://www.America250.org).

**PRAISE and PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Our Stewardship**

**May 3, 2026**

**Praises**

Pastor Jim & Beth  
Women of Faith!  
Hillary & James Tuckett  
Warrior Women of Christ

**Prayer Concerns**

Pastor Jim, Pastors, and Church Leaders  
Church Health – Local, Regional, National  
World Health  
Disaster, Homeless & Violence Victims  
Fire, Police, EMT & Military Personnel  
Healthcare and Essential Workers  
Henry Ford II High School and Students  
Our Country, Communities & Their Leaders  
MALU – Ministers and Laity United  
All Schools and Students  
Speed Limit Driving School & Students  
Atlas  
Heather Marie  
Olivia  
Stella  
Jeff Bailey  
Kay Barynas  
Al Biondo  
Jackie Brecht  
Jerry Brown  
Lee Burbidge  
Sue Krug Casey  
Pastor Mark Coffman & Family  
Maddy Cunningham  
Destiny Dominguez  
Tony Dominguez, Jr.  
Josie Gregory  
J. Keith & Joey Harper  
Gary & Jean Hill  
Darla Jackson  
Louie Johnston  
DeBorah Lindsey  
Kayley Malugin  
Deanna Morian  
Charlotte Richards  
Rosie S.  
Sal Sinawi  
Ed VanHoeck  
Cathy White  
Mark Wilson  
Dennis Wygocki  
Farrah  
Jason  
Simon  
Rowan Anderson  
Ericka Baltzer  
Berg Family  
Chris & Nedra Bork  
Judy Brecht  
Megan Brown  
Larry Carrico  
Bill Clark  
Tammy Cooper & Family  
Angelina Dominguez  
Tony Dominguez, Sr.  
Theresa Emanuele  
Jack & Debbie Harper  
Allison Hill  
Jason Hill  
Robert Johnson  
Lisa Lemont  
Roxann Lockhart  
Jackson Misiuda  
Dave & Rita Nakkula  
Barb Richardson  
Amy & Tim Schultz & Family  
Angie & Mark Sunberg  
Judy Ward  
Shirley White  
Mary Anne Wrosch  
Linda Zavitz

To fulfill our General Budget, an average weekly offering is necessary.  
Please tithe in faith and as your response to God’s blessings.

<b>General Tithes</b> .....	\$ 1,253.73
<b>Weekly Need</b> .....	\$ 2,019.23
<b>YTD Giving</b> .....	\$ 27,665.32
<b>YTD Need</b> .....	\$ 36,346.14

