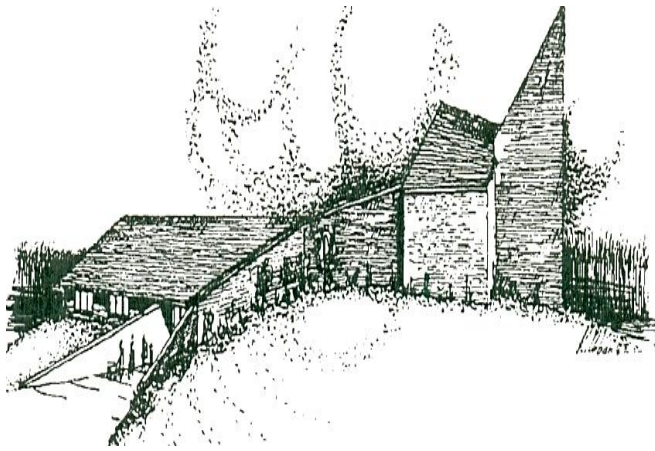


Bethany Church of God

PRAISE and WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Sunday, May 3, 2026



Welcome Home to God's House!

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

CALL to WORSHIP

“Same God”

PRAYER of WELCOME

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

A TIME of WORSHIP and PRAISE

“Goodness of God”
“How Firm a Foundation”

COMMUNION

A TIME of PRAYER

MESSAGE

Pastor James Matt

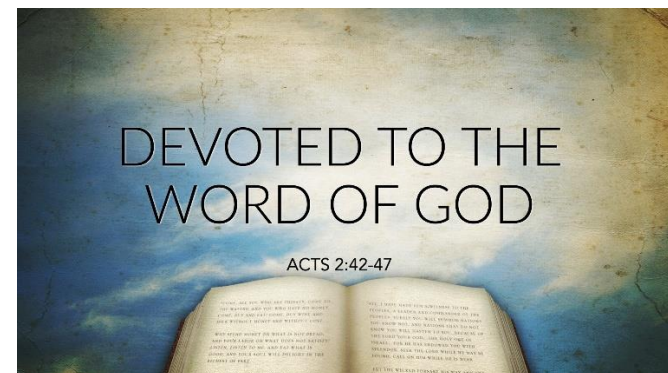
“Devoted to What?”

SONG of RESPONSE

“Build My Church”

CLOSING PRAYER and BLESSING

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MESSAGE NOTES

Scriptures

Acts 2:42-47

Foundational Principles _____

The Koinonia Conceptual Church _____

This was a New Way of Life and Church _____

The Lord Added to Them Daily _____



Next Sunday – “Held By God – Shaped By Love!”

Read Acts 17:28



CHALLENGE for the WEEK

The Challenge for this week:

**SHOW YOUR DEVOTION TO GOD
SO OTHERS MAY SEE HIM TOO!**



THIS WEEK’S ACTIVITIES

Today – Communion Sunday

8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Tuesday, May 5th – Cinco de Mayo!

Wednesday, May 6th

5:00 p.m. Dinner and Fellowship

6:00 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday, May 7th – National Day of Prayer

Saturday, May 9th

10:00 a.m. Warrior Women in Christ Group @
Chippewa Valley Church of God
Special Tea Party!

Sunday, May 10th – Mother’s Day!

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!

WARRIOR WOMEN IN CHRIST

This Women's Life Group meets on the **2nd** and **4th** **Saturday** of the month at **10 a.m.** The next one is this **Saturday, May 9th** at **Chippewa Valley Church**, 41411 Romeo Plank Rd., Clinton Township. **They are having a special Ladies Tea Party!** Wear a hat, bring a china teacup, (they will have extra china cups if you don't have one) There will be tea, finger sandwiches, little tea desserts, and lots of fellowship and just plain fun together! All women welcome to come! Please **RSVP** by **May 6th** to Mary Bader (248) 935-5881.

MEN'S STOREHOUSE

This Men's Fellowship meets monthly for breakfast, and occasionally for other fellowship opportunities and service projects. This month they will meet for breakfast on **Saturday, May 16th** 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 any questions about **Men's Storehouse**, please contact Glenn Hartshorn at (248) 318-3020.

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!

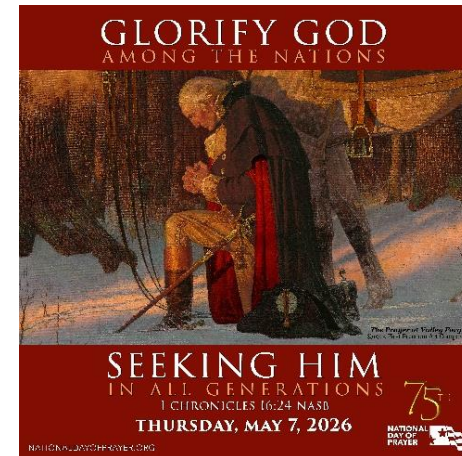
STAYING CONNECTED!

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 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!

CHURCH LIFE OPPORTUNITIES

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER – THIS THURSDAY!

The **National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 7, 2026**, celebrates the **75th** year of **National Day of Prayer** for America! We invite you to include a time of personal rededication to God as your join with us, and millions of believers across the nation on **Thursday, May 7th**, as we pray this year's theme "**Glorify God Among the Nations, Seeking Him in All Generations**". The theme is inspired by **1 Chronicles 16:24 NASB**, "*Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples.*" This verse emphasizes proclaiming God's marvelous works and faithfulness to all people. The **2026 National Day of Prayer** is particularly significant as it coincides with the 250th Anniversary of America's founding and the 75th National Day of Prayer, marking a historic milestone of both national and spiritual observances. Prayer gatherings will take place in homes, churches, and communities nationwide. Praying is the most important thing we can do. May the theme this year encourage you to **Glorify God** through personal and communal prayer; **Seek Him across Generations**, fostering spiritual continuity and mentorship; and **Proclaim His Works** among all nations, reflecting a global perspective in prayer. Thank you in advance for making this spiritual discipline a priority and for standing with us as we encourage others to pray too.



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.

PRAISE and PRAYER CONCERNS

Our Stewardship

April 26, 2026

Praises

Studying God’s Word Together!

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 Jason
- Olivia Simon
- Stella Rowan Anderson
- Jeff Bailey Ericka Baltzer
- Kay Barynas Al Biondo
- Chris & Nedra Bork Jackie Brecht
- Judy Brecht Jerry Brown
- Megan Brown Lee Burbidge
- Larry Carrico Sue Krug Casey
- Bill Clark Pastor Mark Coffman & Family
- Tammy Cooper Maddy Cunningham
- Angelina Dominguez Destiny Dominguez
- Tony Dominguez, Sr. Tony Dominguez, Jr.
- Theresa Emanuele Josie Gregory
- Jack & Debbie Harper J. Keith & Joey Harper
- Allison Hill Gary & Jean Hill
- Jason Hill Darla Jackson
- Robert Johnson Louie Johnston
- DeBorah Lindsey Roxann Lockhart
- Kayley Malugin Jackson Misiuda
- Deanna Morian Dave & Rita Nakkula
- Charlotte Richards Barb Richardson
- Rosie S. Amy & Tim Schultz & Family
- Sal Sinawi Angie & Mark Sunberg
- Ed VanHoeck Judy Ward
- Cathy White Shirley White
- Mark Wilson Mary Anne Wrosch
- Dennis Wygocki Linda Zavitz

Please fill out a Prayer slip or contact Pastor Jim or the Church Office if you need a Praise or Prayer Concern listed above.

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

General Tithes	\$ 1,058.06
Weekly Need	\$ 2,019.23
YTD Giving	\$ 26,411.59
YTD Need	\$ 34,326.91

