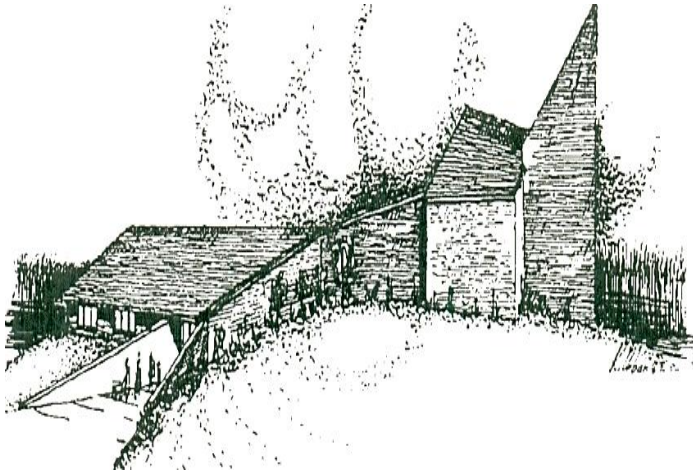


Bethany Church of God



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, August 2, 2026

CALL to WORSHIP

“Graves Into Gardens”

PRAYER of WELCOME

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

A TIME of WORSHIP and PRAISE

“Same God”

“I Need Thee Every Hour”

COMMUNION

A TIME of PRAYER

MESSAGE

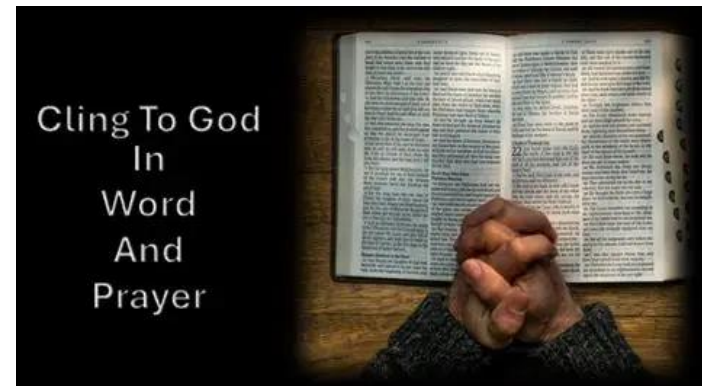
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“Some Things Are Worth Hanging Onto”

SONG of RESPONSE

“You’ve Already Won”

CLOSING PRAYER and BENEDICTION



MESSAGE NOTES

Scriptures

Genesis 32:22-31

The Midnight Strip-Down _____

The Mercy of Brokenness _____

The New Name – and a Holy Limp _____

Holy Connections: Practical Applications _____



Next Sunday – “Safe Hands – Sent On Mission”

Read Romans 10:5-15



CHALLENGE for the WEEK

The Challenge for this week:

HOLD ON TO THE PROMISES OF GOD!



THIS WEEK’S ACTIVITIES

Today – Communion Sunday

1:00 p.m. Baptism Service

8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Wednesday, August 5th

5:30 p.m. Bible Study @ Evanswood

6:00 p.m. Bethany online Bible Study

Saturday, August 8th

10:00 a.m. Warrior Women in Christ @
Chippewa Valley Church of God

Sunday, August 9th

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

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

6:30 p.m. Come Alive! – Revival at Farmington Hills CoG

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

BAPTISM

There is a Baptism happening this afternoon! If you are wanting to be baptized, please see Pastor Jim after service. It isn't too late to decide!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER AND BIBLE STUDY

We will be taking a break for the months of July and August from our in-person Bible Study and Dinner so everyone can enjoy the summer and the many activities that come with it! **We will resume on Wednesday, September 16th with in-person Bible Study.** Have a safe, healthy, and great summer – **BUT** don't forget to still read your Bible! **Pastor Jim will be offering a Bible Study online, Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. if you are interested in watching!**

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY AT EVANSWOOD

Evanswood, 2601 E. Square Lake Rd., Troy will be resuming their Wednesday night Bible Study for the summer. If you are interested in attending an in-person study, please join them. They will read a chapter and then discuss it. They are reading in 2 Samuel. They start at **5:30 p.m.** with fellowship and prayer and start reading at **6:00 p.m.** All are welcome!

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 **Saturday, August 8th at Chippewa Valley Church**, 41411 Romeo Plank Rd., Clinton Township. Come join the fun! All women are welcome to come!

A TIME OF REVIVAL!

Come Alive! – Revival 2026! Farmington Hills Church of God, 25717 Power Road, Farmington Hills, is hosting a **Revival, Sunday, August 9th through Wednesday, August 12th at 6:30 p.m.** each evening. There will be dynamic preaching by Rev. Mark Richardson, Rev. Dale Turner, Rev. Mark Staton II and Rev. Dr. Dwight Fontenot, along with refreshments and Children's activities each evening. Invite family and friends and go prepared to be blessed!

MEN'S STOREHOUSE

This Men's Fellowship meets monthly for breakfast, and for other fellowship opportunities and service projects. They will meet for breakfast on **Saturday, August 15th at 9:00 a.m.**; watch for more details as to the location! 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.

CHURCH LIFE OPPORTUNITIES

MALU WOMEN OF WISDOM

MALU Women of Wisdom invite all women to the simulcast with Priscilla Shirer. Come join us as we livestream, on **Saturday, August 22, 2026**, at **Lighthouse Church of God**, 26212 W. Six Mile Road, Redford. The registration fee is \$35 per person and can be paid at the door. Doors will open at 8 a.m.; Conference is 9 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

MALU FAMILY GATHERING

We are excited to announce that MALU (Ministers and Laity United) are once again hosting the **Annual Family Gathering!** This year, the event will be held on **Saturday, September 12th**, at **New Creation Church of God**, 3472 Lennon Rd., Flint. The event will start at **11 a.m.** with food being served at 11:30 a.m. Everyone is invited and there will be something for all ages. This gathering will include worship, FREE food, fun, and fellowship! An exciting day of fun and fellowship for the entire family has been prepared. Let's celebrate and fellowship with other believers and show our love for each other to those around us! We look forward to seeing you there and spending time together!

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!

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

Praises

Barbara Haldeman

Penny Haldeman

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

Edgar

Gino

Jason

Olivia

Simon

Stella

Ken A.

Rowan Anderson

Pastor Tom & Mary Bader

Jeff Bailey

Kay Barynas

Pastor Brent & Heather Beggs

Chris & Nedra Bork

Jackie Brecht

Judy Brecht

Jerry Brown

Megan Brown

Larry Carrico

Pastor Mark Coffman & Family

Maddy Cunningham

Angelina Dominguez

Destiny Dominguez

Tony Dominguez, Sr.

Tony Dominguez, Jr.

Josie Gregory

Jack & Debbie Harper

J. Keith & Joey Harper

Dr. Suzanne Hawley

Allison Hill

Gary & Jean Hill

Jason Hill

Darla Jackson

Robert Johnson

Louie Johnston

Fred & Georganne Jones

Lisa Lemont

DeBorah Lindsey

Roxann Lockhart

Kayley Malugin

Jennifer Marriott-Davis

Jackson Misiuda

Deanna Morian

Dave & Rita Nakkula

James Pardon

Charlotte Richards

Barb Richardson

Schultz Family

John Selvidge

Sal Sinawi

Cathy White

Shirley White

Mark Wilson

Mary Anne Wrosch

Dennis Wygocki

Linda Zavitz

Unspoken Requests

Our Stewardship

July 26, 2026

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\$ 796.62

Weekly Need\$ 2,019.23

YTD Giving\$ 41,329.81

YTD Need\$ 60,576.90

