

Sermon Notes

Living For (The Upper Room) Jesus

Living FRUITFULLY for Jesus
John 15:1-16

The Premise: God Chose You to be **FRUITFUL** 15:16

You are a **BRANCH** 1-3

- A _____ to the Vine 1
- With a V _____ 1
- With a P _____ 2
- With a P _____ 3

You are a **CONNECTED** Branch 15:4-7

- Connected to C _____ 4-6
- Connected to His W _____ 7
- Connected to P _____ 7

You are to be a **FRUITFUL** Branch 15:8-16

- Fruit of L _____ 9-10
- Fruit of J _____ 11
- Fruit of F _____ 12-15

To activate the **BETHANY PRAYER CHAIN** call:

The Church Office at 248-681-2130

Being a family of faith means you don't have to go it alone. Call us.

Used Book Sale March 9, 16 and 23 after worship

All funds collected will go to support
DRAW (Disaster Relief at Work)

Donations for this book sale will be accepted before and after worship services beginning Sunday, February 23.

Do you have books just collecting dust on your shelves? Would you be willing to part with your gently used adult and children's books for this sale? Ask your family, friends, coworkers, etc, if they would like to contribute to the cause! Be sure to tell them that the proceeds will benefit disaster victims. We only ask that the books be gently used, non-political, and with content suitable for a church sale.



You are encouraged to take this list home and offer your personal prayers for the following individuals and families.

From February 16

- Praise the Lord, my granddaughter arrived happy and healthy! - Pam Griffin
- Pray for a revival across the world, for the sick and suffering, and for our children.
- Prayers for healing and full recovery of my dear friends and their families, Karen Falknor and Pete Smolenski.—Donna Dankert
- For the family and friends of John Osler, who was a long-time member of Bethany before moving away, as they grieve his passing.—Bob Hunt

From February 9

- Praise God, the lung biopsy came back negative. More tests are to come later this month. - Jeff Starick
- I pray Charlee comes home soon! Also, for my husband's back pain and other health issues. - Tracy Wilczynski
- Pray for the church, the new administration, and the children in harm's way.
- Continue to pray for Ed Seitz; he is going in for a procedure this week. - Rodger Zeller
- Pray for Israel. - John Martin
- Pray for peace. - Mary Ann Stephens
- Laurie went to be with God this Sunday at 6 am. I'm sadly happy for her. - Michaelle Stidham

From February 2

- Razel Zabate, my youngest sister, has stage 4 cancer. She's in the Philippines and is only 39 years old with 5 kids.—Lorissa Yarber
- For our country and all those suffering after the plane crashes, for President Trump and the new administration. Pray for the children.
- Prayers for George at Whispering Woods, who will get his results from kidney tests on Wednesday.
- My dear friend, Dylan, lost his mom yesterday. Pray for peace and comfort. Also for the homeless and less fortunate.—Tracy Wilczynski
- After 5 years, I'm making progress with seeing my daughter Charlee. I ask the Lord to guide my path and bring her home.—Mick W.
- My nephew Glenn, son of the late Pam and Paul McFarland, has cancer in 3 places in his body and is receiving chemo treatment.—Marci Davis
- I am going through tests (MRI) looking for more prostate cancer. Pray that cancer goes into remission again.—Jeff Starick

Those Serving in the Military

Brian Faulkner	Ashley Mink	Max Rollison
Jared Linson	Aaron Parma	Austin Temperly

To add or update a current prayer request, please call the church office at (248) 681-2130

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February 23, 2025
Worship Time :: Sunday 10 am

The Lord's Day 10-11:30 am February 23, 2025

Welcome and Prayer	
Black History Tribute	
Baptism	Jeff Starick
Praise Song	<i>That's My King I Speak Jesus</i>
Pastoral Prayer	
Offering & Special Music	<i>Amazing Grace—Hymn #502</i>
Sermon	Living FRUITFULLY for Jesus
Closing Song	<i>You Are Good</i>
Final Thoughts	
Right Hand of Fellowship	
Announcements	

 **Scripture Reading for Sunday, March 2**
John 15:11—27

Coming Events

- Feb 23 Coffee and Fellowship 9:30 am
Worship Service 10 am
Annual Congregational Meeting after worship service
Flame Keepers—Young Adult Ministry 5:30 pm
Area 51—Youth Group 6 pm
- Feb 24 Band of Brothers 6 pm
- Feb 26 Whispering Woods Bible Study 11 am
Praise Team rehearsal; Tech team 6 pm; Vocalists 6:30 pm
- Feb 28 Applications for the Gayle S. Joyner Scholarship are due today
- Mar 2 Coffee and Fellowship 9:30 am
Worship Service 10 am
Family Matters 5 pm
Flame Keepers—Young Adult Ministry 5:30 pm



BETHANY
Annual Meeting
February 23
Following the Worship Service

Bethany members, please plan to stay after worship service today for our Annual Meeting, where we vote to accept the 2024 Annual Report.

APPLICATIONS DUE
no later than this coming Friday (Feb 28)

Gayle S. Joyner Scholarship

See the Bethany web page (www.BethanyWaterford.org) for application or pick up a copy at the Welcome Center in the Lobby.



FAMILY MATTERS!
BREAKING DOWN WALLS
Sunday, March 2, 5 PM



ASH WEDNESDAY March 5 at 6:30 PM



Warehouse Activity
Saturday, March 8
Meet at the Coffee Bucket at 9:30 am

DRAW Warehouse Service Activity—Saturday, March 8

Volunteers (sign-up at the Welcome Center in the Church Lobby) meet at The Coffee Bucket (3549 Airport Rd, Waterford) at 9:30 am, have a cup of coffee, and then we will walk “around back” to the warehouse where volunteers will help with bucket building prep work. The Coffee Bucket is owned by DRAW, and ALL PROCEEDS benefit victims of natural disasters. The Coffee Bucket is open from 8 am—1 pm, Tuesday through Saturday (closed Sunday and Monday).



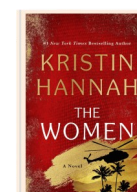
LENTEN LUNCH & LESSON
Mar 12, 19, 26
Apr 2 & 9
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Volunteers Needed—We need your help to provide the soup and sandwich lunches for our Lenten Lunch and Lesson series. Please sign up at the Welcome Center in the Church Lobby.



Ladies Day Out
March 15
9 AM – 9 PM
Scrapbooking Fundraiser
Proceeds to support women's outreach ministries. Hosted by: **SISTERS, inC.**

See Angel Herdus to register



Bethany Book Club—March

The Women, by Kristen Hannah, tells the story of "Frankie" McGrath, a young nurse in the United States Army Nurse Corps during the Vietnam War. As green and inexperienced as the men sent to Vietnam to fight, Frankie is overwhelmed by the chaos and destruction of war. Each day is a gamble of life and death, hope and betrayal; friendships run deep and can be shattered in an instant.

Please join us in Fellowship Hall on March 21 at 10 am for a light breakfast and discussion.

Today is the Last Day for February's Mission Focus on The Power Company Kids Club



The Power Company Kids Club's mission is to guide inner-city youth toward healthy and successful independence. They focus their ministry on kids living in below-the-poverty-line neighborhoods who face blight, gangs, and poverty. They give hope and a future to these urban youth.

Your donation helps offset the program and transportation costs. Please consider this appeal and give as you can to bring hope and

IMPORTANT—Bethany Church is being Re-Keyed

The building is being re-keyed on Wednesday, February 26 and old building keys will no longer work. We have a new security smart lock system that will unlock the church through an app on your phone. Please see Kelly in the Church Office to get set up if you require access to the building outside of worship service.

meaning to the life of a child.