

BETHEL
AME CHURCH, PORTLAND, OREGON

November 30, 2025

First Sunday of Advent

Women's Missionary Society

"Innovation: Effectively Engaging Young People"



Bishop Francine A. Brookins, Presiding Prelate

Rev. Spencer F. Barrett, Presiding Elder

Reverend Phillip E. Ross, Pastor

November 30, 2025 11:00 a.m.

MISSIONARY SUNDAY WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

Praise & Worship Instrumental Music

PROCESSIONAL

The Doxology #647
“Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all here below, Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost Amen!”

The Call to Worship Sister Carol Anne Drayton

Leader: Today is the first Sunday of Advent. We gather, trusting in hope.

People: Lord, in uncertain times, we look to YOU.

Leader: When our spirits are weary and the world feels heavy, we believe that hope is still alive.

People: Restore our hope, O God. Lift our hearts.

Leader: You have carried us before. You will carry us again.

People: Help us wait with courage. Help us hope with joy.

Leader: Jesus, our hope is in you.

People: Make us a people of hope-shining light for one another. AMEN.

The Morning Hymn The Congregation

The InvocationSister Carol Chism

The Choral Response The Bethel Choraleers

The Ministry of Music The Bethel Choraleers

The Scripture Reading *“Isaiah 41:10-15”* Sister Kiara Bennett

The Preface to the Decalogue *“From all that dwell below the skies”* #69

✚ Summary of the Decalogue

✚ Gloria Patri *“Glory Be to the Father”* #626

The People’s Moment The Social Action Committee

Announcements/Recognition of Visitors Sister Barbara Van

Advent Presentation

- † Candle Lighting..... YPD and Sister Barbara Van, YPD Director
- † **“The Five Little Lights”**: Hope-Nazha Tate, Peace-Harmony Yokum, Joy-Cameron Neville, Love-Abriya Jones, Christ-Noah Nickerson, & The Little Child-Jaeon Aubrey.

Worship through Altar Call/Giving Rev. Phillip E. Ross
Offertory Prayer *“All Things Come of Thee, Oh Lord”*

The Song of Sermonic Preparation The Bethel Choraleers

The Word Proclaimed *“God’s Chosen Working Together”*..... Rev. Ross

The Invitation to Christian Discipleship Rev. Ross

The Apostles Creed Miss Layla Ross and Sister Barbara Van

The Doxology #647
“Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below, Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost Amen”!

The Missionary Benediction *“In the name of the Triune God, may the spirit of Christian missions enter every heart, may the spirit of Christian missions enter every heart, this we ask in Jesus’ name. AMEN*#652

RECESSIONAL

OFFICERS OF THE DAY

Steward - Brother Luther Evans **Trustee** - Brother Keith Edwards



Let's



*Get into The
Holy Word
at Bethel!*

Bible Study with Pastor

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

12:00 noon LIVE @ BETHEL and

ZOOM - ID: 8718286140, Passcode: 12345

Call In # 253-205-0468

Membership Ministries

†Church School with Sister Margaret Marshall

”LIVE”, Sunday Mornings 10:00 am

Wednesday Evenings 6:00 pm

605-475-4007, Passcode: 920644#

†Bible Study with Brother Paul Marshall

Thursday Afternoons 12:00 pm

605-475-4007, Passcode: 920644#

If you didn't get a chance to give your Tithes/Offering the last few Sunday's we have a QR code for your convenience! **Using your cell phone camera, point at QR code, a link will appear on your screen, select the link to be taken directly to Givelify.** Don't have a cell phone? The link is www.givelify.com.

QR Code



Pray without Ceasing!

Prayer with the Pastor

†Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday Mornings

7:00 am, Zoom Meeting ID: 6924495642, Passcode: 145690#

Prayer led by Exhorter Bobbi Smith

†Tuesday Evenings 6:00 pm, 605-313-5109, Passcode: 735111#

†Thursday Mornings 6:30 am, 605-475-4007, Passcode: 920644#

ANNOUNCEMENTS - NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2025

First Sunday of Advent Women's Missionary Society "Innovation: Effectively Engaging Young People"

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH - MISSIONARY SUNDAY

† **"Let Your Light So Shine"- 2025 Lights of Love . The YPD/Youth Ministries Presents their annual Advent season fundraiser, "Lights of Love - LoL".**

Beginning after Thanksgiving, you will see beautiful colored lights accenting the vestibule/narthex area of the church. You will be able to purchase a light in memoriam, for a family member, friend, a business, and/or for yourself. Please see the flyer in the bulletin for specifics. Thank you in advance for your generous support of The Young People of Bethel AME, Portland.



† **Sunday Prayer Time** - God hears us when we pray! Join the 5th District as we gather each Sunday evening at 6:00 PM (for just 30 minutes), to seek God's guidance, strength, peace, protection and provision. Your prayers matter. Your presence matters. Come on in the room. **ZOOM Meeting ID: 817 7575 8872, Passcode: Music**

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3RD - BIBLE STUDY 12:00 noon LIVE @ BETHEL and ZOOM. We're studying **The Book of Romans**. Please plan to join us -ID: 8718286140, PASSCODE: 12345, CALL-IN: 253-205-0468.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4TH

† **Thursdays Are For Healing (5th District) - 6:30pm-9:00pm** - Thursdays, at 6:30pm Pacific, our trained mental health professionals will be in the Healing Room with breakout sessions for our Seniors and Young adults - **ZOOM Meeting ID: 896 1311 5252, Passcode: 529540**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6TH- Bethel Choraleers Choir Rehearsal - 1:00pm

CLEAN PILL BOTTLE DRIVE-

† The Women's Missionary Society of Bethel are accepting donations of clean, empty recapped, pill bottles for inclusion in shipment of medical supplies. For more information please see Carol Drayton.



YPD'S/
YOUTH MINISTRIES
16TH ANNUAL

Lights of LOVE

NOVEMBER 23rd thru DECEMBER 31st

LIGHT TYPES

MEMORIAL OR INDIVIDUAL

\$7.00 EACH OR 2 FOR \$10.00

BUSINESS CARD - \$10.00

SUPPORT OUR YOUTH

BETHEL
AME CHURCH, PORTLAND, OREGON

3

Prayer for the Sick & Shut-in, but Never Shut-out

*We are believing the promise of **James 5:14-15** for the following:*

Ainya Bradford, Walter Key, Laura Jacobs Sr., Mildred Scurlock, Cynthia Triplet, Jean Winters, Joil & Cynthia Southwell, Chrisanna Martines Woods, Vashti Johnson, Stephanie Thompson, Ethel Love, Joan Cook, Richard Boyd, Elmira Davis, Rev. Maurice Wright, Elizabeth Taylor, Denson Fowlks, Luther Evans, SataieVior Ayilola, Haley Peoples, Alyce Bowser, Rev. Jack Walker, Sister Dorothy Fuller, Kevin Fuller & Family, The Family of Sister Patricia Menefee, & Joe McFerrin, Jr., and Family.

****Please submit all requests to the Church Office Manager by Wednesday to have members included on the Prayer List. Please remember those who are currently unwell or grieving with prayers, cards, and phone calls.**

***Members who are absent can give their tithes and offerings by mailing to our address, through Givelify or can contact your Class Leader or one of our Stewards, and they will coordinate a safe way to receive your gifts and return them straight to the Bethel AME Church. We thank you for supporting this ministry and following the biblical principle of giving.*



TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT WITH PASTOR

Email - RevPRoss@yahoo.com

Please provide your name, phone#, and email address.

You'll receive an appointment confirmation via email.

(ALL appointments will be scheduled for 30 minutes

UNLESS more time is requested when making the appointment)

Gospel Christmas

SAT DEC 6 7:30PM

SUN DEC 7 4PM

ARLENE SCHNITZER CONCERT HALL

CHARLES FLOYD CONDUCTOR

NORTHWEST COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHORUS

OREGON SYMPHONY



Northwest Community Gospel Chorus joins the Oregon Symphony for the 26th time to present Gospel Christmas. Vocalists from 25 houses of faith and organizations across the region combine with the symphony to make beautiful music and spread Christmas cheer.

Feel the spirit of the holiday season with this beloved concert, a time-honored tradition that you won't want to miss!



←----- Scan QR Code for Tickets and additional information.