

# May 17 2026



Interim Pastor Jeff Brown

**SUNDAY SCHOOL (for all ages)—9:00am**

**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE—10:30am**

Prelude No. 598 “Find Us Faithful”

Welcome|Announcements|Prayer Requests

Graduate Recognition Jeff Brown

Song No. 491 “Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Song No. 557 “More Precious than Silver”

Scripture Reading—Psalm 78:1-8

Song “Holy Forever”

Song “Holy, Holy, Holy”

Message Matthew 5:17-6:34 Jeff Brown

“Seeking and Finding the Kingdom of God”

“The Command to Seek First”

Song of Response “Behold Him”

Benediction

## VOLUNTEERS

### TODAY

### NEXT WEEK

#### NURSERY (Birth to 2 years of age)

SS—Brenda Maloney, Lisa Russell

AM—Megan Moss, Alyssa Long, Anna Russell

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH (3 years of age to 1st grade)

No Children's Church

#### SOUND TECHNICIAN

Greg Cooper

#### LIVE STREAM

Jeremy Moss

#### MEDIA TECHNICIAN

Amanda McNeill

#### DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Dennis Carson, Roger Pennewell

#### HOSPITALITY TEAMS

Creighton & Amanda Shuck

SS—Hannah Wilkerson, Carol Taylor

AM—Ashley Osborn, Jill Spalding, Ethan Moss

Angel Vollrath, Phyllis Olson, Makenzie Chapman

Jeremy Moss

Carter McNeill

Amanda McNeill

Dennis Carson, Roger Pennewell

Joe & Amanda McNeill

To contact Pastor Jeff please email at [jdbrowndlc@gmail.com](mailto:jdbrowndlc@gmail.com) or text at 405.220.9583 and he will get back with you.

**Reminder:** BBA Summer Camp Registration is open online @ [www.bethelassociation.org](http://www.bethelassociation.org) until June 15 at midnight! Makes checks payable to Bethel Baptist Association and give to church office.

## BUDGET GIVING

BUDGET OFFERING YEAR TO DATE: \$90,060

ACTUAL OFFERING YEAR TO DATE: \$99,599

WEEKLY GIVING TO MEET BUDGET: \$4,740

MAY 10: BUDGET GIVING: \$5,357

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT: 127

ATTENDANCE ON MAY 10: 90

*Visitors/Ministry Needs*—We want to remind us all that there is a Connect card located in pew pockets. This card is for our guests to fill out and drop in the offering plate so we can minister to our guests. It is also possible for members to use it to make known needs that we can minister to.

*Offering Plates*—The Offering plates are located in the back of the sanctuary on both the left and right side inside the double doors. Please feel free to place your contributions in the plates before/after the morning worship service.

*Fragrance-Free Area of the Sanctuary*—The far-right section of the sanctuary is dedicated as a fragrance-free area for those who struggle with reactions to fragrance. Feel free to sit on this side of the church if you are not wearing perfume or fragranced products.

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

**SUNDAY:** 2:00pm—MCHS Graduation

6:00pm—Youth (Grades 7-12)

**MONDAY:** 6:00pm—WMU @ Judy Potterfield's Home, Marilyn Coupland Program

**TUESDAY:** 6:30pm—Hebrews Bible Study

**WEDNESDAY:** 6:00pm—Youth (Grades 7-12)

7:00pm—Choir practice

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Church Goal: \$3,000 Received: \$ 3,020



### Adult Helpers Needed for VBS—VBS will be

held August 3-7 from 9:00-11:30 am, with lunch being served at 11:30 on Friday, August 7. This will be the brightest week of the year! Kids will explore all the ways light brightens, illuminates, reflects & reveals while discovering Jesus is the light who brings hope to a dark world. Would you be willing to volunteer? Sign-up sheets are located on the tables in the back of the sanctuary.

## 2026 Graduates

### Middle School:

Emma Coleman

Isabelle Russell

### High School:

Tanner Beaver

State Technical College,  
Electrical Distribution Program

Mya Martin

Paul Mitchell School, Esthetician License



## Seeking and Finding the Kingdom of God

“The Command to Seek First . . .”

**Main Point:** To adequately \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ God, one must commit to seeking and finding His Kingdom as first priority.

### I. TRADITION/RITUAL CANNOT \_\_\_\_\_ YOU WHAT GOD WANTS YOU TO \_\_\_\_\_ (5:17-6:18)

*Note: 6:1 is key. This “righteousness” spoken of includes very religious and pious, and even \_\_\_\_\_ things. But it is not how one elevates status nor is it how you find God (especially how they went about it). Under the New Covenant, you and I are as \_\_\_\_\_ to God as we \_\_\_\_\_ to be. He has offered Himself to you through the fullness of the Trinity. Now the level of intimacy is up to us.*

### II. MONEY WILL NOT GET YOU \_\_\_\_\_ GOD WANTS YOU TO \_\_\_\_\_ (19-24)

1. Don't store up \_\_\_\_\_ on earth, rather in heaven
2. Don't impair your own vision
3. Don't serve the wrong \_\_\_\_\_

### III. SELF-SUFFICIENCY WILL NOT \_\_\_\_\_ YOU HOW GOD WANTS YOU TO GROW (25-32)

- \_\_\_\_\_ will not advance your time, or quality of life.
- \_\_\_\_\_ is the key to dealing with doubt, trouble, and the dilemmas of life.
- Lost people are concerned with these things, but we should trust.

### IV. THE PATH TOWARD GOD IS SEARCHING THE THINGS OF GOD (33-34)

- \_\_\_\_\_ of God
- \_\_\_\_\_ of God

*Note: Then, everything \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_. So, we will seek His Kingdom in the next three months. I must give a “heads up”, it's not exactly what you'd expect.*