



## Sunday Worship

*Lovingkindness*

*Call to Worship*

*House of the Lord*

*Welcome & Announcements*

**Walk-up Communion**

*Ancient of Days*

*Holy Holy Holy*

**Sermon:** God's Servant Tried, Part 2

*All Sufficient Merit*

*Benediction*

## Highlights

### Fall Festival – Just One Week Away!

**Sat, Sept 27 (1–4pm)**

It's not too late to join the team that makes Fall Festival happen. This community outreach will be fun for the whole family. Sign up today to help welcome our neighbors and share the love of Christ: [bethanycentral.org/volunteer](https://bethanycentral.org/volunteer).

The outreach continues on Sunday as we invite our community back for Gospel Sunday, September 28.

Together we'll worship and hear the good news of Jesus as the Gospel is shared.

### Connecting Matters

**Sunday, October 05, 9:00 am**

Discover why connecting with the church family is essential for following Jesus together. In this **single-session class you'll explore biblical motivations for connection** and learn how our Community Groups, ABC's, and serving opportunities help you live them out. Whether you're new to Bethany or looking to deepen relationships, this class will help you take your next step in belonging. Go to [bethanycentral.org/connecting](https://bethanycentral.org/connecting) to register.

### August Financial Update

We are grateful that around \$106,000 has already been donated toward the new boiler. Here are the financial numbers from the previous month:

Giving	Expenses	Budget
\$308,692	\$347,462	\$289,055
YTD Giving	YTD Expense	YTD Budget
\$1,056,162	\$1,193,403	\$1,156,218

## Announcements & Events

### Fall Festival Candy Collection

**Donate by September 21st**

We're collecting candy donations for this year's Fall Festival! To help cut costs, we're asking the congregation to provide individually packaged, peanut-free, non-chocolate candy. Collection bins will be located in the Children's Wing (near the registration desk) and the Adult Wing. Please bring your donations by Sunday, September 21, so we'll have time to purchase any remaining needs.

### Middle School Fall Retreat

**Oct 03 - 05**

Registration for the Middle School Fall Retreat is open! This weekend retreat is a special time for students to build fellowship, play fun games, enjoy great food, and grow in God's Word. This year our theme for the retreat is Malachi: From Ruined to Restored. The book of Malachi confronts a sobering reality: even after revival, people can drift. For questions, contact the church office or email us at [michelle@bethanycentral.org](mailto:michelle@bethanycentral.org).

### Ladies Hobby Night – All Ages Welcome!

**Friday, September 19, 5:30 pm**

Bring your latest project and enjoy a relaxed evening of creativity and connection in the Lakeside area. Whether you're crafting, knitting, journaling, or anything else—come when you can and leave when you need to. For questions, contact Abby Pfeiffer at [abby@bethanycentral.org](mailto:abby@bethanycentral.org).

### Ladies Bible Overview

**Thursdays, October 9 - November 13, 9:30-11 AM**

Join Jen Weers in a 6-week Bible Overview class on Thursdays at Bethany. This class is for anyone who is new to studying the Bible, wants a broader picture of the whole Bible, or wants a refresher on all God's Word offers us and provides a foundation for more in-depth study. Everyone is welcome so be sure to tell your friends! Use your myBethany to register.

### Wednesday Family Meal

**Wednesday | 5:00 - 6:00pm**

Join us this week for Pizza night! The cost is \$3 for individuals with a \$15 max per family. To help us plan, please RSVP using your MyBethany or by calling the church office by Monday afternoon.

### Pickleball (All Ages)

**Thursday, September 25, 6:30 pm**

All skill levels are welcome to meet for fellowship and exercise with the pickleball group in the gym. They meet the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month from 6:30 – 8:30pm.

# God's Servant Tried, Part 2

Dr. Ritch Boerckel • Mark 15:1-15

Spiritual Darkness is \_\_\_\_\_.

Spiritual Darkness \_\_\_\_\_ mankind.

The Light \_\_\_\_\_ in the Darkness.

The Light always \_\_\_\_\_.