



Bethel Pentecostal Church exists to introduce people to, and nurture them in a dynamic relationship to Jesus Christ, within our community and beyond, in the power of the Holy Spirit.

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Information on our **YOUTH** meetings is found on our **BETHEL YOUTH** Facebook page. Ask to join today.

*The church office will be open from 8 am to 2 pm daily. **We are often called away, so call before you come to make sure someone is here.***

*Check us out at our Facebook page at **Barrhead Bethel Pentecostal Church** for prayer needs and other information.*

Let all the earth fear the LORD;
let all the people of the world revere him.

Psalm 33:8

TODAY AT BETHEL

Sunday, May 20, 2018

We are glad you have joined us! If you are a guest with us, please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering plate.

11:00 AM - WORSHIP SERVICE

General Offering today

Scripture Reading: **Psalms 35:1-8**

Pastor's Message:

SURPRISINGLY SUPERNATURAL

6:00 PM HOUR OF POWER PRAYER *CANCELLED for tonight*

We welcome the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our services. If you feel led to give a message in tongues or prophecy, please speak to the Pastor.

Today's Nursery Assistants Are: In May: Alanna and Jennifer

FM Hearing Assist transmitters are available to use on Sundays. Speak to our sound people for more information.

UP-COMING SUNDAYS

May 27th - Seed Blessing – if you would like to bring seed samples for crops and gardens, we want to ask God to bless them and make a great harvest.

SURPRISINGLY SUPERNATURAL II

June 3rd - **Guest Global Workers** – Trent & Rhonda Lipinski

June 10th - **SURPRISINGLY SUPERNATURAL III**

June 17th - **SURPRISINGLY SUPERNATURAL V**

BIBLE STUDIES AT

BETHEL:

Sunday School at 10 AM each week

Ladies Bible Study: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit Thursdays @1:30 pm. Room 2

Mom's & Tot's: Bible Study is "To Live By The Spirit" May 1st and 15th. Call Teresa for info(674-3529)

Thursday Daytime Bible Study, book of JOB @ 2:00 PM

We have partnered with **Lighthouse Fellowship** in Wetaskawin for **prayer**. Please pray for this growing church.

Check out our church webpage for information on upcoming events. barrheadbethel.ca

Single & Parenting Planning Meeting – May 23 @ 7:00 Elaine Findlay's Home

Alberta Beach Family Camp, June 30th -July 8th
Sonrise Pentecostal Camp, August 4-12.

Wedding Shower for Brianna & Jonathan June 16 @ 7 pm, FLC.

LOOKING AHEAD

Make a **CONNECTION!** If you are new to Bethel, join us for lunch after church, **Sun. May 27th**. Sign up at the information counter.

There will be no Sunday School May 20th.

Church Picnic, **Sun. June 10th** Summerdale Hall, after church. Note the date change! Plan to come along!

Baby Shower for **Kim & Douglas Kliewer (Parker)**, Sat. **June 9th** at 7:00 PM in the Family Life Center.

Would you like to join our **Tech Team?** Video projection, sound etc. all are a part of our services and we need help. We are planning some training in June for people new to the team and those already involved. Talk to **Prakash Raju, Jon Warkentin**, or **Pastor Dave** for more info.

DISCOVER BETHEL is a four-week introduction to what we believe, why we do what we do, and how you can get involved. Next Session starts **Sun. May 27th** at **10:00 AM** in classroom #6. Sign-up sheet on the information table.

PRAYER NEEDS

Art Harder, Garry Lorenz, Robert Rempel, Aubrey Schatz, Lighthouse Fellowship in Wetaskawin

HOW THE MIGHTY HAVE FALLEN

Pastor Dave Findlay

“How the mighty have fallen.” These are the words of King David in a lament after his predecessor, King Saul, and his son Jonathan were killed in battle. It is a picture of once mighty men being defeated, brought low by their own devices, or by others.

I am writing this the day after Bill Cosby was convicted of three counts of sexual assault. The 80-year old comedian may spend the rest of his life in prison. Cosby had been one of the ‘mighty’ men in Hollywood, having made tens of millions of dollars in movies and TV. He was revered by many.

Yet he was living a lie.

The public face did not match the inner reality.

We have all done it. At times we all put on a public persona to cover up those parts of us that we want to hide. Family issues we want no one to know about. Hidden addictions. Insecurities and fears. Sin.

So we hide, pretending we are what we are not.

The Bible says a time is coming when what we’ve hidden will be exposed. **“What you have said in the dark will be heard in the daylight, and what you have whispered in the ear in the inner rooms will be proclaimed from the roofs (Luke 12:3).”**

King David tried to hide his sin, but they were heavy in his spirit. He wrote, **“When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long (Psalm 32:3).”** He then realized the need to deal with that sin. **“Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD.” And you forgave the guilt of my sin (Psalm 32:5).”**

That is why the Bible encourages us to be honest with ourselves and with God. **“If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us (I John 1:8-10).”** James speaks about healing and the connection to hidden sin – **“Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed (James 5:16).”**

Sadly, too many people think that if they hide their sin they will get away with it. That is not true. It is far better to own up to our weaknesses and failures on our own, then to be convicted later.