NOVEMBER 22, 2026 **10:30A.M.**

The mission, vision, and purpose of New Bedford Evangelical Presbyterian Church is to love, know and serve the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
We* Love God *through worship,* Know God *through Growth Groups, and* Serve God *by using our gifts both outside and inside the church.

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP – (Psalm 100)**
Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the Lord with Gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

People: Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his! We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture!

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

People: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations!

A HYMN OF PRAISE #509 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

PASTORAL PRAYER & SILENT PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER-
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM - "Joyful Thanksgiving"

***DOXOLOGY**
Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen
***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***A HYMN OF PREPARATION #457 For the Beauty of the Earth**
(Children dismissed for J.A.M. kids – meet leader at sanctuary door)

GUEST SPEAKER – Sarah Bowen

***THE CLOSING HYMN #382 We Gather Together**

***THE BENEDICTION**

***THE CONGREGATIONAL CLOSING**
Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.
And now, let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich" because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks
POSTLUDE
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Pastor: Elija Bombeck
Head Usher: Nate Book
Director of Music Ministry: Donna Fox
Praise Team Director: Jocilyn Csernyik
Director/Family Ministry: Lee Harris
Director/Children's Ministry: Dawn Harris
Sound/Video Technician: Nathan Book
Nursery Attendant: Brenda Miller
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Church Website: newbedfordepchurch.org
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Please remember in prayer the following persons who are hospitalized, receiving treatments, recuperating at home and those who have requested prayer.
Doris Spence----------Ridgecrest of McCandless
Shirley Sikora----------Quality of Life Services
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****J.A.M. (Jesus And Me) Kids during both service.....Children in PreK – Gr. 3 are invited for a Bible lesson, craft, games. Parents can pick up their child after the service in the education wing.***

WORSHIP OF PRAYER AND PRAISE 8:30A.M.

WORSHIP TEAM PRELUDE

Lord I Need You

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***SONGS OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE**

One True God

The Lord's Prayer

Living Hope

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CLOSING SONG- *Lord I Need You

***BENEDICTION**

5th Annual Haitian Sensation luncheon December 6 after church. Tickets will be available after church the next few weeks. There will be a large Chinese Auction as well as Haitian made products including metal art, vanilla, coffee and hot chocolate for sale. Everything will be set up by Tuesday before Thanksgiving and run through the day of event. If you are unable to come day of the event come visit me on another day. All funds raised will be matched up to $50,000!



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Please keep in prayer… and they would appreciate cards too:
*Doris Spence at Ridgecrest of McCandless, 8870 Duncan Ave, Apt # 404, Pittsburgh, PA 15237.
*Shirley Sikora at Quality of Life Services, Room #17, 8221 Lamor Rd, Mercer, PA 16137.
Please keep in prayer Roxanne Black-Hartzell and Renee Burrows Persky.



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2026

8:30A.M. Contemporary Service
9:30A.M. Sunday School for all ages
10:30A.M. Traditional Worship Service
1:00P.M. Sr. High Youth Group meets
2:30P.M. Jr. High Youth Group meets

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2026

6:30P.M. Praise Team practice
6:30P.M. Deacons Meet

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2026

10:00A.M. The Weight group meets

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2026

6:00P.M. Choir rehearsal
7:00P.M. Bible Study

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2026

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2026

9:00A.M Hanging of the Greens

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Please fill out a yellow Welcome slip located in the pews or on the Welcome Cart in the Narthex. Place it in the offering plate on the Welcome Cart.

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There is a kid's table in the vestibule with coloring or activity papers and fidget items that can be used during the service. Please return items following the service.



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There will be a congregational meeting today November 22nd in between services at 9:30. The purpose of this meeting is for electing new officers and receiving the budget.

2026 Thank Offering Sunday is November 22nd. Promises of Life Network is who that we will be collecting the Thank Offering.
There will be special offering envelopes included in your bulletin today.

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Angel Tree is starting today. Tags are on the tree for you to take and purchase gifts listed on the tag. Please have all gifts wrapped and returned to the church office by Dec 13th. See Terri Emery or Jocilyn Csernyik if you have any questions.

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Women's Christmas Dinner



All women of the church are invited to a Christmas dinner at the Gatherings on Thursday, Dec. 10 from 5:30-8:30 pm. Cost is $25; for those over 80 cost is $20.
We hope you will join us for an evening of fun, food and fellowship! Please bring a wrapped $10 gift for a gift exchange game. Sign-up in the Narthex on November 22 and 29. Please pay when registering.

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Poinsettia Sign-Up

Deacons will be taking poinsettia orders for Christmas Nov. 22 & 29 between services. Double poinsettias color choices. Red, White or Picasso (predominantly pink with a smattering of red & white) 8" round pots $16.00. Must be paid for when ordering.

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The church office will be closed November 25th, 26th and 27th for Thanksgiving. If you have any announcements for the Bulletin for Nov 29th please have it to the church office by noon on Tuesday Nov. 24th.





Hanging of the Greens is Saturday November 28th at 9:00a.m. If you would like to come and help decorate the church the Worship Committee would love and appreciate your help!

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Deacons will be assembling food boxes to those in need for Christmas. If you'd like to help with this outreach, there is a blue decorated box in the Narthex for all non-perishable donations. Thank you!


Food Donations

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Communion: We will be including a gluten free option for Communion on December 6th. It will be in individual containers on the Communion table.

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Carols, Cookies & Cakes, Oh My!

Enjoy an evening of Christmas music
presented by
Park Avenue Brass
Bring your favorite dessert to share
for a time of fellowship after the program.
Beverages will be provided.
December 20th at 6pm





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Thank you to everyone who participated in our HundredX fundraising Campaign. Thanks to so many participating we raised $6,900. With this money we are able to meet our urgent need for medicated peanut butter for malnutrition program and purchasing casting material for the Clubfoot clinic! Thank you for investing of your time that turned into funds to buy urgently needed supplies! – Autumn Marshall



Breakfast in Bethlehem – Many Hands are Needed!

Saturday, December 12, 8:30 – 11:00

It takes MANY helping hands to make **Breakfast in Bethlehem** a special and memorable experience for our church family and community!

Please consider sharing your time and talents! Whether you help with preparations beforehand, work during the event, or assist with cleanup, every helping hand makes a difference.

As you volunteer, you will have the opportunity to experience the true meaning of Christmas in a special way—to step into the story of Jesus' birth, share His love with others, and be reminded of the greatest gift of all. Let your time be the special gift you give this Christmas.

HELP IS NEEDED!

Before the Event:

Setting up the Marketplace and a new room – Follow the Star to Bethlehem (MANY hands are needed in these areas.)

Organizing Craft Materials

Costume: Organizing and Hanging the Costumes

After the Event: **MANY are needed.**

Taking Down the Marketplace and the " Follow the Star to Bethlehem" room.

Gathering and Packing Costumes

During the Event:

In the Marketplace:

- **Pottery Shop**
- **Carpenter's Shop**
- **Nativity Scene (Mary, Jospeh and baby Jesus)**
- **Bethlehem Food Shop**
- **Live Animal Displays**
- **Roman Soldiers**
- **Mary's Kitchen**
- **Temple**

In the Craft Room: **Craft Helpers**

In the Photography Room: **Helpers are needed to put together the photo card that families receive** .

Follow the Star to Bethlehem Room: **Tour Guides** (Reading from a script and leading families through the experience), **Tour Organizers** (Helping with forming groups to be led through the experience), and **Helpers in the Nativity Area**.

In the Kitchen: **Cooks, dishwashers, servers, and clean up**

Registration:: **Gather contact information**.

Costume Room: **Help families with selection of needed costumes.**

Come be part of bringing Bethlehem to life! We would love to have you join us!

(Signup sheet is in the narthex.)

Questions: Contact Brad or Marty Marshall

Blessing Bags

The growth group is planning to make blessing bags for distribution to those in need. We will be filling gallon ziplock bags with personal care items and giving these bags to organizations in our area which are in close contact with the homeless community and other low income families/individuals.

We are asking for the following donations:

Warm winter socks

Small packs of wipes

Small packs of Kleenex

Hand warmers

Deodorant

Bar soap or trial size liquid body soap

Trial size shampoo

Food gift cards ($10-$20)-McDonalds, Wendy's, etc

Please place donations in the box in Narthex beside the growth group bookshelf.

We appreciate your willingness to donate!

If you have questions, please reach out to the Serve Group (Ken Hanna, Dee Davis, Angie Houk, Dama Fraley, Pam Sardich, Terry Emery)

