MAY 11, 2025 **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- "The Gift of Love"
***CALL TO WORSHIP- Adapted from Psalm 16**
I give you praise, LORD,
For in you I take refuge.
LORD, you have assigned me
My portion and my cup;
You have made my lot secure.
The boundary lines have fallen for me
In pleasant places;
Surely I have a delightful inheritance.
I praise you, LORD, who counsels me;
Even at night my heart instructs me.
Glory to you, LORD.

***A HYMN OF PRAISE # 21 Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee**

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 and ever. Amen.

MOTHER'S DAY RECOGNITION

CHOIR ANTHEM – "Ancient Words"

***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 # 101 This is My Fathers World**
(Children dismissed for J.A.M. kids – meet leader at sanctuary door)

HOLY SCRIPTURE LESSON – Hebrews 10:19-25

SERMON- "The Key to Certainty"
***THE CLOSING HYMN # 111 O God, Our Help in Ages Past**
***THE BENEDICTION-**
***THE CONGREGATIONAL CLOSING**
Praise the name of Jesus
Praise the name of Jesus
He's my Rock, He's my Fortress,
He's my Deliverer in Him will I trust;
Praise the name of Jesus!
THE POSTLUDE- "Hymn to Joy"
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Pastor: Dan Muttart
HEAD USHER: Gary Geisinger
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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Please remember in prayer the following persons who are hospitalized, receiving treatments, recuperating at home and those who have requested prayer.
Lavon Rogers----------John XXIII Nursing Home
Doris Spence----------Ridgecrest of McCandless
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If you need to contact Pastor Dan his number is 412-427-2086
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****J.A.M. (Jesus And Me) Kids during the 10:30 service.....Children in PreK – Gr. 3 are invited for a Bible lesson, craft, games. Check the order of worship for dismissal to meet the leader at the Sanctuary door. Parents can pick up their child after the service in the education wing.***

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

WORSHIP TEAM PRELUDE

I Know Who Holds Tomorrow

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***SONGS OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE**

Here I Am to Worship
How Deep the Father's Love for Us
I Trust Jesus

PASTORAL PRAYER & SILENT PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER-

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SERMON- "The Key to Certainty"

CLOSING SONG- *I Know Who Holds Tomorrow

***BENEDICTION -**

Save the Date: June 21st our playground dedication with Pastor Dan officiating.
Coffee, tea, juice and donuts at 9:30 with the dedication starting at 10:00.
This is the Dedication of the James D. Emery playground, the Sam Jones swing and the dedication of 4 benches inside the playground fence for Jason Clark, Tiffany Bell, Chad Taylor and Lillian Fulkman.



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Save the Date: Saturday August 2nd we will be having our annual Community Day outreach at Lyons Park. More information to come at a later date.

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Thank you for the shoe donations for the Wilmington PTO. Gently used or new shoes will continue to be collect until the goal of 2,500 is reached. The donation box is the vestibule.



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We are looking to participate in a social event if there are enough people interested. The Mahoning Valley Scrappers play at home on Sunday, June 22nd at 1:00 pm. The van seats around 12 people. The goal was to try and get younger adults together for an outing. As things get closer more information will be provided with details. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. For more info, please see Dustin Boczar in early service or email him at dboz96@gmail.com



SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2025

8:30A.M. Contemporary Worship Service
9:30A.M. Sunday School for all ages
10:30A.M. Traditional Worship Service

MONDAY, MAY 12, 2025

8:00P.M. Administration Committee meets

TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2025

9:15A.M. The Weight Group

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2025

5:00P.M. Serving Growth Group meets
6:00P.M. Choir rehearsal
7:00P.M. Bible Study
7:15P.M. Handbell Choir rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025

11:00A.M. E.P.I.C. meets
6:30P.M. Elizabeth Circle meets

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2025

9:00A.M. Rebecca Circle meets
12:00P.M. Free Community Luncheon

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Please fill out a yellow welcome slip located the pew if you have prayer requests or visitors liking more information about our church, and place it in the offering plate located at the back of the sanctuary.

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



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Please know we love the sound of children in church. It is the sound of life, growth, and experiencing worship. You and your family are never a disruption. If you feel the need, there is a staffed nursery available during both services and Sunday School in the education wing.

For more information about New Bedford EPC Growth Groups stop by the Welcome Cart in the Vestibule.

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Needed for VBS clean glass jars- size 8-32oz (lids not needed)

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Spring Community Luncheon Saturday May 17th 12pm-2pm in the fellowship Hall. the Service growth group is offering a spring lunch to community members. We are hoping to do this a few times a year with the intention of reaching out to families and individuals who desire to know more about Jesus and our church. ! Spread the word to your neighbors, friends, and relatives who don't know Jesus-tell them about the lunch for some fun and friendship! If you know someone planning to attend, please let one of us know so that we can plan accordingly. If you would like to help serve, please see Dama, Angie, Ken, Shannon or Dee.

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If you or your child/children are graduating from High School, Trade School, or College please contact the Church Office so that all graduates can be recognized. We will be having Graduate Recognition/Youth Sunday on Sunday, June 1, at 10:30 AM Service. The deadline for graduate information is today May 11.

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There will be a congregational meeting in between services next Sunday May 18th. This meeting will be held to vote on the slate for the Pastoral Search Committee. If you have any questions, please let Taylor Velez know.



PASTOR DAN IS OFFERING FREE BOOKS. As Pastor Dan moves toward retirement, He is radically paring down his library and going all digital. He has already taken the books from his office book shelf that he has for his new home bookshelf. The rest are up for grabs. You can take any Christian self-help, commentary or theology book from his office shelf. First come first serve! Towards the end of May, those books not taken will be disposed of. Now's the perfect time to build your Christian library… for free!

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MEMORIAL DAY 2025

The 129th annual New Bedford Memorial Day program will be held on Saturday, May 24th at 11:00a.m. at Memorial Park near Hopewell Cemetery in New Bedford. A parade will precede the program. All veterans from New Bedford, Pulaski and Frizzleburg are welcome to walk in the Memorial Day Parade. Anyone who has a vintage/classic car is also encouraged to join the parade. Local businesses may join in the parade. Parade participants will be meeting in the parking lot of the old New Bedford School near the Lion's Park by 10:00 a.m. The parade should start by 10:30 a.m.

Please invite your family, friends and neighbors to come honor our veterans at the parade and to stay for the heart-warming service at Memorial Park.

The program will be held at New Bedford EPC if it is raining that day. The parade will conclude at the NBEPC if it is not raining, but the Memorial Park grounds are too muddy for use.

THE KEY TO CERTAINTY IN LIFE
No U-Turns - Part 2

Today's Scriptures

19 "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Matthew 16:19 (NIV)

19 Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, 20 by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, 21 and since we have a great priest over the house of God, 22 let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. 23 Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. 25 Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10:19-25 (NIV)

Message Notes

1. BE SURE OF YOUR _____.

19 Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, 20 by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, 21 and since we have a great priest over the house of God, 22 let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. Hebrews 10:19-22 (NIV)

Reasons to be certain:

Jesus' blood shed

Jesus' body _____

[20] …a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body… Hebrews 10:20 (NIV)

[37] Just then Jesus passionately cried out with a loud voice and breathed his last. [38] At that moment the veil in the Holy of Holies was torn in two from the top to the bottom.

Mark 15:37-38 (TPT)

Jesus' authority to enter heaven

2. HAVE HOPE DESPITE YOUR _____.

[23] Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. Hebrews 10:23 (NIV)

He will keep you from falling away

[24] To him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy— [25] to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.

Jude 1:24-25 (NIV)

Jesus keeps His promises

[19] God is not a man, so he does not lie. He is not human, so he does not change his mind. Numbers 23:19 (NLT)

3. REINFORCE HOPE BY _____ _____.

[24] And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. [25] Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another— and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV)

[17] As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.

Proverbs 27:17 (ESV)

NEXT WEEK:
Continuing the Sermon Series
"No U-Turns"
Hebrews 12:1-3