

# BELLEVUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Gap, Pennsylvania

June 18, 2017

8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE TOLLING OF THE BELL

**PRELUDE:** “This is My Father’s World” arr. Hamlin

## CALL TO WORSHIP

\***HYMN:** #33 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

\***INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER** (sins)

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

*Lord, if it were not for the grace of Your Son, sin would have control of our lives. In spite of that grace, we have tried to have control of sin in our own way. Forgive us if we have competed with our Lord’s grace by rewriting the conditions of entrance into His church. Give us Your Holy Spirit to lead us in our ministry of sharing Your salvation through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

## ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

## CHILDREN’S SERMON

*Children are dismissed for the Nursery and Children’s Church (10:45 a.m.)*

## PASTORAL AND COMMISSIONING PRAYER

## THE OFFERING OF GIFTS

**OFFERTORY:** “The Bond of Love” arr. Sprunger

## \*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*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.*

**SCRIPTURE LESSON:** Daniel 5:1-30 pp. 1379-1381

**SERMON:** “Daniel—God in Exile”  
Part 6: “The Heart that Dishonors God”

\***HYMN:** “All I Have Is Christ” (Insert)

## \*BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE:** “Ye Servants of God” Wagner

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**FLOWERS:** The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents, Andrew and Josephine Kinkaid and Charles and Ethel Musser, by Andy and Linda Kinkaid.



## SUNDAY JUNE 18, 2017

**WELCOME** – We welcome everyone to worship this morning. *We invite everyone to sign your name on the Friendship Pads in the pews, and if you are visiting with us, we ask that you provide an address and phone number or email so that we may keep in touch with you.* We encourage visitors to stop by the *Welcome Center* in Friendship Hall. The *Welcome Center* is a place not only for visitors to be welcomed and receive information about Bellevue Church, but serves as an informational hub for the entire church family.

- SUNDAY** - 8:00 a.m. – Worship  
- 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School  
- 10:45 a.m. – Worship (Children’s Church)  
- 12:00 p.m. – VBS Painting & Pizza
- MONDAY** - 6:00 p.m. – Bellevue Trotters  
- 8:45 p.m. – Softball: *BPC vs Weaverland #1*
- TUESDAY** - 6:00 p.m. – General Assembly – Sacramento, CA
- WEDNESDAY** - 6:30 p.m. – Kingdom Kids – Messy Game Night  
- 6:30 p.m. – Disc & Dip Night – Youth
- THURSDAY** - 6:00 p.m. – Bellevue Trotters

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**TODAY IN THE PULPIT** – Ministering today in the pulpit is Elder Frank Rotella, Director of Children’s Ministries, Kevin Wenrich and Pastor JT Holderman.

**COFFEE TALK** – You are invited to join your brothers and sisters in Friendship Hall for a time of coffee, tea, hot chocolate, cold drinks and light refreshments.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS AND SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** – We are delighted to share the members of the Spring Prospective Members Class, who were received into membership by the Session on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> and are publicly joining this morning. They are Jon and Lauren Underwood, Denise Girvin, Clarissa Cacciola, and Dan and Rhonda Beane. We also rejoice with Katelyn King who will be baptized and received into membership and Logan Thompson, who will be baptized and join publicly in July.

**VBS DECORATIONS AND PREPARATIONS** –To prepare for VBS this year we will be painting some items that will help transform Bellevue the week of VBS (thankfully we already have a castle). We will meet on Sunday’s after church to begin making decorations. Pizza will be provided and all skill levels are welcome to join us.



**EPC GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING** – The 37<sup>th</sup> General Assembly Meeting of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church will meet June 20 – 23, 2017 at Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church in Sacramento, CA. Serving as Ruling Elder Commissioners from Bellevue are: Lee Brown, Kevin Byma and Frank Rotella, and Teaching Elder JT Holderman. Please pray for your brothers as they travel to California and serve in this important role in the life of our denomination.

**EVANGELISM AT WEIS** – “And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.’” Who doesn’t enjoy a free bottle of cold water on a warm summer’s day? Membership and Evangelism committee invite you to come and share such a cold drink with anyone that comes to the Weis Market on Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup> between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. We have the water bottles and now need people to help us hand them out. You will find a signup sheet at the *Welcome Center* where you can pick a shift – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon or 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. If you have any questions please speak to Andrew Johnson, Paul Allison or Pastor JT.



**HOTDOGS AND A SOFTBALL GAME** – Membership and Evangelism committee invites you to join them on Monday evening, July 10<sup>th</sup>, to cheer on the Bellevue Blue team when they will play the team from Little Britain Church. The game starts at 6:30 p.m. but you are invited to get to the ballfield by 6:00 p.m. to enjoy some hot dogs and fellowship prior to the game. You might be able to talk the players into having their picture taken with you!! You are asked to bring a dessert to share. Membership and Evangelism will provide the hot dogs, rolls, baked beans and paper products. To help us plan on how many hot dogs, please sign the signup sheet found in the notebook at the *Welcome Center*. See you Monday evening, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.! Don’t forget to bring a lawn chair too!



**UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONALS** – The July/August issue of the Upper Room devotional can be found on the bulletin table in Friendship Hall. These devotionals are available for your use in your devotional time or to be given to a family member or friend.

# CHILDREN & YOUTH

**KINGDOM KIDS** – Kingdom Kids will meet this Wednesday evening, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. and we will have a **messy game night!** We will also meet on Wednesday evening, June 28<sup>th</sup> and plans are in place for a **water game night!** Dress accordingly for each of these fun filled evenings for children, Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade!



**JR/SR HIGH YOUTH – Disc and Dip Night** – All Jr/Sr High youth are invited to join us at Pequea Valley High School for an evening of disc golf, Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. followed by some Rita's! Invite your friends; everyone can throw a Frisbee – if not I know they can eat Rita's.



**CLUB 426** – Sunday July 9<sup>th</sup>, we are going to a Lancaster Barnstormers game. We will meet at the church at 12:30 p.m. and then head out to cheer on the Barnstormers. The cost for the event is \$10. Please sign up before July 2<sup>nd</sup> so we can make sure everyone has a ticket.



**SUMMER CAMP WEEK JULY 10-14, 2017** – Once again this year Bellevue will be heading back to Greenview Bible Camp for a fun week of summer camp the week of July 10-14. Children who have just completed Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us for the week of day camp. A sign-up sheet can be found in the Kennedy Room, and the cost for the week is \$45. Scholarships are available if needed. Please speak to Kevin Wenrich if you have any questions. While at camp the children will hear a Bible lesson, learn Bible verses, archery, horseback riding, canoeing, crafts, and much more. We will meet at the church every morning at 8:30 a.m. and return to the church around 4:30 p.m. We are always looking for drivers to help with transporting children so if you are interested, even if it's just one way, please speak to Kevin Wenrich.



## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

July 23<sup>rd</sup> through July 27<sup>th</sup>

***“Raise the banner high, shout it loud, the battle is done, because in Jesus, the Victory is Won!”***

It is time to begin to prepare for another fun filled, Bible packed week of Vacation Bible School!! Our theme this year is **Mighty Fortress**. We will meet every night from 6:30-8:30 p.m., and we look forward to creating memories that will be the highlight of the summer. “This 5-day chivalrous journey through Mighty Fortress Assemblies, Stronghold Storytelling, Victory Village Bible Challenge, Great Hall Snacks, Tournament Crafts and Games, is based upon 1 Corinthians 15:57.”

Of course water slide Wednesday will be making its return this year, and those wishing to dunk Mr. Kevin in a dunk tank may get another shot this year. So save the dates and invite your friends for this fun week.

We are only able to do VBS every year because of all of the wonderful volunteers who help before and during the event. If you could fill out a volunteer sheet (*found at the Welcome Center*) and put it into Kevin Wenrich's mailbox it would be greatly appreciated.

Pre-registration will begin next Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> in Friendship Hall. You can also go to the Bellevue webpage [www.BellevueEPC.org](http://www.BellevueEPC.org) and there you will find a link for VBS and registration forms to complete at your convenience at home.

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Welcome Center	Lee and Babe Coates Vi Young and Sally Slaymaker
Ushers – 1 <sup>st</sup>	John Bratton, John Emmons Rob Bitts, Ross Cochran
Ushers – 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kevin Byma, Doug Otter Jim Martin, Daniel Garfinkle
Nursery - 1 <sup>st</sup>	Jody Melson
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kara Snyder and Stephanie Manning

### III) Dishonoring God Brings Judgment (vv. 24-30)

## Sermon Notes

“Daniel—God in Exile”

Part Six: “The Heart that Dishonors God”

June 18, 2017

Daniel 5:1-30

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### Introduction

### Conclusion

### I) Profaning the Things of God Profanes God (vv. 1-4, 23)

### II) Fundamentally Worship is About The Heart (vv. 22-23)

#### DANIEL 5:1-30 (ESV)

King Belshazzar made a great feast for a thousand of his lords and drank wine in front of the thousand.

<sup>2</sup> Belshazzar, when he tasted the wine, commanded that the vessels of gold and of silver that Nebuchadnezzar his father had taken out of the temple in Jerusalem be brought, that the king and his lords, his wives, and his concubines might drink from them. <sup>3</sup> Then they brought in the golden vessels that had been taken out of the temple, the house of God in Jerusalem, and the king and his lords, his wives, and his concubines drank from them. <sup>4</sup> They drank wine and praised the gods of gold and silver, bronze, iron, wood, and stone.

<sup>5</sup> Immediately the fingers of a human hand appeared and wrote on the plaster of the wall of the king's palace, opposite the lampstand. And the king saw the hand as it wrote. <sup>6</sup> Then the king's color changed, and his thoughts alarmed him; his limbs gave way, and his knees knocked

together. <sup>7</sup>The king called loudly to bring in the enchanters, the Chaldeans, and the astrologers. The king declared to the wise men of Babylon, “Whoever reads this writing, and shows me its interpretation, shall be clothed with purple and have a chain of gold around his neck and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom.” <sup>8</sup>Then all the king’s wise men came in, but they could not read the writing or make known to the king the interpretation. <sup>9</sup>Then King Belshazzar was greatly alarmed, and his color changed, and his lords were perplexed.

<sup>10</sup>The queen, because of the words of the king and his lords, came into the banqueting hall, and the queen declared, “O king, live forever! Let not your thoughts alarm you or your color change. <sup>11</sup>There is a man in your kingdom in whom is the spirit of the holy gods. In the days of your father, light and understanding and wisdom like the wisdom of the gods were found in him, and King Nebuchadnezzar, your father—your father the king—made him chief of the magicians, enchanters, Chaldeans, and astrologers, <sup>12</sup>because an excellent spirit, knowledge, and understanding to interpret dreams, explain riddles, and solve problems were found in this Daniel, whom the king named Beltshazzar. Now let Daniel be called, and he will show the interpretation.”

<sup>13</sup>Then Daniel was brought in before the king. The king answered and said to Daniel, “You are that Daniel, one of the exiles of Judah, whom the king my father brought from Judah. <sup>14</sup>I have heard of you that the spirit of the gods is in you, and that light and understanding and excellent wisdom are found in you. <sup>15</sup>Now the wise men, the enchanters, have been brought in before me to read this writing and make known to me its interpretation, but they could not show the interpretation of the matter. <sup>16</sup>But I have heard that you can give interpretations and solve problems. Now if you can read the writing and make known to me its interpretation you shall be clothed with purple and have a chain of gold around your neck and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom.”

<sup>17</sup>Then Daniel answered and said before the king, “Let your gifts be for yourself, and give your rewards to another. Nevertheless, I will read the writing to the king and make known to him the interpretation. <sup>18</sup>O king, the Most High God gave Nebuchadnezzar your father kingship and greatness and glory and majesty. <sup>19</sup>And because of the greatness that he gave him, all peoples, nations, and languages trembled and feared before him. Whom he would, he killed, and whom he would, he kept alive; whom he would, he raised up, and whom he would, he humbled. <sup>20</sup>But when his heart was lifted up and his spirit was hardened so that he dealt proudly he was brought down from his kingly throne, and his glory was

taken from him. <sup>21</sup>He was driven from among the children of mankind, and his mind was made like that of a beast, and his dwelling was with the wild donkeys. He was fed grass like an ox, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, until he knew that the Most High God rules the kingdom of mankind and sets over it whom he will. <sup>22</sup>And you his son, Belshazzar, have not humbled your heart, though you knew all this, <sup>23</sup>but you have lifted up yourself against the Lord of heaven. And the vessels of his house have been brought in before you, and you and your lords, your wives, and your concubines have drunk wine from them. And you have praised the gods of silver and gold, of bronze, iron, wood, and stone, which do not see or hear or know, but the God in whose hand is your breath, and whose are all your ways, you have not honored.

<sup>24</sup>“Then from his presence the hand was sent, and this writing was inscribed. <sup>25</sup>And this is the writing that was inscribed: MENE, MENE, TEKEL, and PARSIN. <sup>26</sup>This is the interpretation of the matter: MENE, God has numbered the days of your kingdom and brought it to an end; <sup>27</sup>TEKEL, you have been weighed in the balances and found wanting; <sup>28</sup>PERES, your kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians.”

<sup>29</sup>Then Belshazzar gave the command, and Daniel was clothed with purple, a chain of gold was put around his neck, and a proclamation was made about him, that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom.

<sup>30</sup>That very night Belshazzar the Chaldean king was killed. <sup>31</sup>And Darius the Mede received the kingdom, being about sixty-two years old.



## REPORT TO THE CONGREGATION

The 2017 Nominating Committee held its first meeting on Thursday, June 1, 2017. They reviewed and adopted the Nominating Process for elders and deacons that was written and adopted by the Session. The guidelines align our nominating process to the Book of Order of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Because all candidates for either office need to receive instruction and be examined by the Session prior to their election, nominations from the floor at the Congregational Meeting to elect officers will no longer be in order.

In an effort to allow the whole congregation to share in the process the Nominating Committee is seeking suggestions from the congregation as to possible candidates for the offices of Ruling Elder and Deacon. In your prayerful deliberation of possible individuals you might submit to the Nominating Committee we share the following:

1. Ask the member first for their permission to submit their name and if they would be willing to serve if selected.
2. The member should know that they will be examined by the Nominating Committee and the Session.
3. The member should know that they will be required to attend training class(es) prior to their selection as a candidate.
4. The member should understand that they will be examined by the Session in areas of faith, beliefs and practices of the church.

## How do I submit a person's name for consideration by the Nominating Committee?

You can use the form below and give it to Frank Rotella, Chair of the Nominating Committee (or place it in his church mail box or mail it to him at 848 Northview Drive, Gap, PA 17527). You can also write it on a clean sheet of paper with all of the information asked for below.

### Nominating Committee Members:

Frank Rotella, Elder & Chair  
Alex Melson, Elder  
Susen Leary, Deacon  
Michelle Cochran (elected by the congregation)  
Anita Grimes (elected by the congregation)  
Susan Houck (elected by the congregation)  
Doug Otter (elected by the congregation)  
Tony Perella (elected by the congregation)  
Pastor JT Holderman ex-officio

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## Officer Submittal Form

(Deadline for submittals is July 16, 2017)

Name of Person to be considered: \_\_\_\_\_

I am submitting them for the office of:

Ruling Elder or Deacon (circle one)

I have spoken to them and they would be willing to serve and understand the steps outlined on the front of this page. Yes/No (circle one)

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_