

TODAY'S FACILITATORS

PRAYER: Remy

OFFERING: Isaac

WORD: Pastor

WELCOME

We warmly welcome you, if you are worshipping with us for the first time. We believe you've become a member of our church family by God's grace.

Please ensure you speak to the Pastor or one of today's facilitators before you leave.

May God bless you richly (Amen).

VERSE(S) OF THE DAY

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Colossians 3:16 (AMP)

THEME FOR THE YEAR

Our theme this year is to **enlarge and build better (Isaiah 54:2-3)**, and by God's grace, we're trusting that the boundary lines will fall for us in pleasant places (Amen).

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know you could join most of our services online when **you are unable to attend?** Talk to the technical team or the Pastor to find out how.

For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for his name in serving the saints, as you still do.

- Heb 6:10

Image source(s): <https://www.patheos.com/blogs/christiancrier/2015/12/23/top-7-bible-verses-about-saints/>



Sunday 10 April 2022

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Redeemed Christian Church of God

Bethel

WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

SUNDAY

Thanksgiving / Worship service
From 10am

FRIDAY

Prayer meeting / Bible study
From 7pm

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Our 'must-visit' website



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Our website is a treasure trove of information, and not only about our focus and mission. You could subscribe to our podcast or listen to past sermons too (<http://rccgbethel.church/sermons/>). This is particularly useful for when you are unable to attend services or for refreshing your recollection as an essential part of your private Bible study.

There's more! Details of events and outreach will almost certainly be available from relevant pages on our website and updated regularly, along with downloadable copies of our Sunday bulletins (<http://rccgbethel.church/category/bulletins/>).

So, why don't you set our homepage as one of your **startup page(s)** in your browser now? The following instructions for most of the common browsers may help.

Google Chrome

1. Open the browser and the **Settings** menu (or the **three vertical dots** to the right of the menu bar).
2. Scroll down and click on **Advanced Settings**.
3. Select **Open a specific page or set of pages** under **On Startup**.
4. Select **Set pages** and enter or add <http://rccgbethel.church/>.

Mozilla Firefox

1. Open Firefox. Press **Alt-T** on the keyboard and select **Options** from the drop-down menu or go to **Tools >> Options** from the main menu.
2. In the **Home** section, select **Homepage and new windows** and **Custom URLs...** from the field's drop down.
3. Enter or paste the URL: <http://rccgbethel.church/> or click **Use Current Page** if you are already on our website.

Microsoft Edge

1. Click the **three horizontal dots** to the right of the top menu bar.
2. Select **Settings** and select **A Specific Page or Pages** from the **Open Microsoft Edge With** section drop down options.
3. Enter <http://rccgbethel.church/>. (Click the Plus sign to add more pages if required).
4. Click the **three horizontal dots** to the right of the top menu bar again to close **Settings** menu.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

How to love all the saints

Text: Colossians 4:1

In Catholic practice, saints are a special class of believers who have been canonised. This is the process by which the Catholic Church confers sainthood upon a person based on that person's special or miraculous deeds, usually after they're dead. In the bible, the saints is a term commonly used by the Apostles and it originates from the Greek word **hagios**, which means "holy" or "set apart."

It is reportedly used 60 or more times in certain versions, referring to the believers every time. Therefore, in contrast to the Catholic practice, several verses in the Bible support that view that every Christian are saints, set apart for God's work (Eph 4:11-16; Acts 9:13; 26:10; Rom 1:7; 1 Cor 1:2). There's also no doubt that God expects us to work together as a body, in the "fullness of Christ."

Jesus stresses at least two reasons why unity is important among Christians or followers of Christ. One is for pragmatic reasons, because if we're divided or working against one another, we cannot stand (Matt 12:25-26). The other is to achieve the purpose of our calling into the Kingdom of God, that we may be one in God and the world may believe we were sent by God to bring Good News to the world (Jn 17:20-23).

In other to succeed, we need the help and leading of the Holy Spirit (Lk 24:49; Acts 1:4) and last but not the least, we need to love one another (Col 3:14-16). The Apostles continued the emphasis on unity and working together in their ministries, using several descriptive phrases. For example, Paul talked about one body with many parts (1 Cor 12:12-27; Rom 12:3-5; Eph 4:1-7; 16) and said we are the body of Christ (1 Cor 12:27; Eph 4:12).

We're members of the same body, working together as a whole, with Christ as the head (Eph 3:6; 4:16; 5:23; Col 1:18; 2:18-19), the first born (Col 1:15) and the salvation of every Christian (Eph 4:15-16).

As far as how we may practice our love for the saints goes, Paul charged us in Hebrews 13:3 for example to remember Christian prisoners as if chained with them. We share a common bond which should transcend all things, including language, background, race or even religious differences (1 Cor 12:25). That includes supporting and admonishing one another in love (Col 3:16).

Bottom line:

It is expected that all followers of God work together in unity to achieve the purpose of God. That requires that we love one another, just as Christ loved us.

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