# EXPLORING THE SCRIPTURES

### "When You Fast"

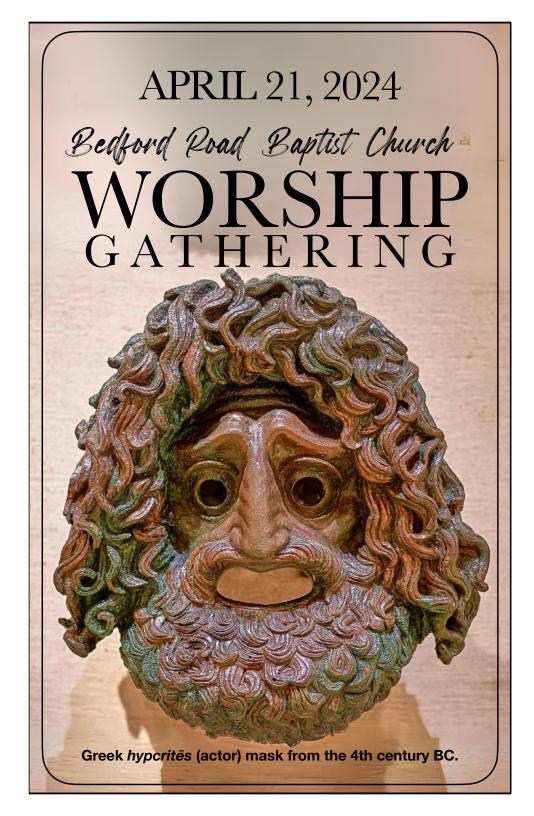
(Matthew 6:16-18)

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## TODAY'S WORSHIP

#### "Your Name"

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### "Psalm 45 (Fairest of All)"

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- Missions Update -

- Lord's Table -

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- Exploring the Scriptures Together - Children's Church will be dismissed right before the message.

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## **MINISTRIES**

### **Family Ministries**

Nursery: 9:45–11:30am every Sunday (ages 0–4) Children's Church: Sunday except the 1st (ages 5–10) Youth Group: Wednesdays, 7–8:30pm (grades 6–12)

### **Connection and Study Groups**

Weekly Bible Studies: Tuesday and Wednesday, 7–8pm Ladies' Ministry: 3rd Saturday of the month, Sept-April Men's Breakfast: Next meeting is March 9, 9am

### **Supporting Local Outreach**

SNH Rescue Mission: 1st and 4th Saturdays of the month Women's Prison Ministry: Weekly, see Sandy Misshula

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### April

27 Southern NH Rescue Mission (sign up in the foyer)

### May

- 4 Southern NH Rescue Mission (sign up in the foyer)
- 12 Mother's Day
- 19 Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting, after worship
- 25 Southern NH Rescue Mission (sign up in the foyer)

Detailed announcements are available via email. Sign up on the website or by sending us a message at info@bedfordroad.org.

## PRAYING THIS WEEK

Israel has been much in the news recently, and there is a lot of division about matters in the Middle East. The question inevitably comes up as to how we should pray for this situation?

- Above all things, and before all things, we should be praying for the gospel to be preached and heard by Jews, Arabs, and all people in Israel (Rom 10:1–17). Over 65% of Israelis claim to be atheist or irreligious, and that includes almost all of those who claim to be Jewish.
- Pray for the protection of the innocent and justice for the wicked (Jer 22:3). There are people in both categories on both sides of the current conflict. The innocent are, unfortunately, often caught in the violence of war.
- Petition the Lord to guide the leaders of both sides to peace (Matt 5:43–48, Rom 13:1–7). Pray for even the leaders of Hamas? YES, just as Paul prayed for the Roman emperors and Jesus prayed for those who crucified him.
- Finally, rejoice in the Lord that despite the hate that fills the world, He is a God of peace and grace (Phil 4:8–9). We are called to be peacemakers (Matt 5:9).

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

2024 Budget Weekly Budget \$248,545 **Budget to Date** \$4,780 **Offerings to Date** 

\$71,695 \$75.633

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