

Bethel Christian Reformed Church
January 18, 2026

Welcome to worship at Bethel! We are thankful you have joined us for a time of worship, renewal, and encouragement. We invite you to make Bethel your church home if you are seeking a place to worship regularly. Please join us after the morning service for refreshments in the fellowship hall.

Morning Worship Service – 9:30 a.m.
Led by: Pastor Bill Vis

- Prelude**
Welcome and announcements
* **Call to worship**
* **God's greeting**
* **We greet each other**
* **Opening song: *Forever Jesus***
Confession/Affirmation of Pardon
Song of response: *Jesus, Thank You*
Baptism of Matilda Masselink
Song of response: *Our Children, Lord, in Faith and Prayer* – PsH 270 (1-3)
(Children's sermon for grades 2-4 in the society room.)
Prayer of God's people
Offering: for The Gideons
(Children's church (ages 3-5) and children's worship (grades K-1) dismissed)
* **Song of preparation: *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love* – PsH 601 (1-4)**
Scripture: 1 Timothy 2:1-15
Message: HOW SHOULD WE RELATE TO OTHERS?
* **Song of application: *Oh, How Good It Is***
* **Parting words**
* **Parting song: *Bind Us Together***

Evening Worship Service – 6:30 p.m.
Led by: Pastor Bill Vis

- Prelude**
Welcome
* **Call to Worship**
* **God's greeting to his people**
* **Opening songs: *Fill Thou My Life, O Lord, My God* – PsH 547 (1-3)**
I Will Sing of My Redeemer – PsH 479 (1-3)
Responsive reading from Psalm 119
Song of response: *O Christ, Our Hope, Our Heart's Desire* – PsH 485 (1-4)
Prayer
* **Song of preparation: *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* – PsH 488 (1-3)**
Scripture: James 1:1-18
Message: RESPONDING TO TOUGH TIMES
* **Song of response: *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* – PsH 493 (1-3)**
* **God's blessing to his people**
* **Closing song: *Like a River Glorious* – PsH 560 (1-2)**
(Your evening offering for the Gideons
can be put in the offering bags at the sanctuary doors.)

Offering Schedule:

- January 18: Gideons
January 25: Cadets; Communion Thank Offering: ReFrame Ministries
February 1: First Fruits for the General Fund

Church Family:

- This morning, we have the joy of witnessing the baptism of **Matilda Masselink**, daughter of **Jim & Melissa Masselink**.
- **Randy Roskamp** was hospitalized this past week after suffering a small stroke. We give thanks that there were no lasting effects and he was able to return home on Thursday.

This Week's Activities:

MONDAY:

- 7:00 pm **Elders Meeting** Council Room
7:00 pm **Deacons Meeting** Deacons Room

TUESDAY:

- 6:00-7:00am **Men's Bible Study** Society Room

WEDNESDAY:

- 7:00 pm **YPS Small Groups** Leaders' Homes

NEXT SUNDAY:

- 8:30 am **Prayer Meeting** Prayer Room
9:30 am **Morning Worship Service** Bethel
10:45 am **Sunday School Classes for grades 2-8** Classrooms
10:45 am **9/10 Catechism** YPS Room
10:45 am **11/12 Catechism** Parsonage Basement
6:30 pm **Cadet Sunday-Combined Evening Service** First CRC

Advance Dates:

- January 25: High School Catechism
January 25: Cadet Sunday at First CRC (Evening Service)
January 29: Union Gospel Mission Chapel Service
February 21: RESGEN Men's Summit Simulcast

Announcements:

CHURCH

Prayer warriors and youth group members will meet in the sanctuary after the morning service on January 18.

Have you been heard? Our congregation has a once-in-five-year opportunity to participate in the 2026 CRC denominational survey. This survey helps denominational leadership understand the concerns and needs of local congregations like ours. It is crucial that as many people from our congregation as possible participate. Please visit crcna.org/survey/6628 to answer the survey questions by **March 31**.



RESGEN Men's Summit 2026 will again be simulcast at Bethel CRC in Edgerton on Saturday, Feb 21. The event starts at 8:00 in the morning and runs until 2:00 PM. Cost is \$30 per person which includes a morning snack and a light noon lunch. Speakers at this year's Summit include John C Maxwell, Tim Tebow, Tom Henderson and more. To reserve your spot, scan the QR code! For more information contact Tom Bouma @ 605 370 9165. Come be encouraged, equipped and engaged.

Members of the Bethel Executive Committee for 2026 are: Council President: Mark Van Dam; Vice President: Doug Eisma; Secretary/Clerk: Jess Van Dyke; Deacon President: Kyle Fey; Deacon Secretary: Mike Fenske.

Thank you to our Bethel church family for the cards, visits, phone calls, texts, food, and expressions of sympathy in the passing of Harriet and Roberta.

-Greg & Joyce Hanenburg and family

SCHOOL

SWC 2026 Homecoming Week – Celebrating 75 Years of Excellence at Southwest Christian High School during Homecoming Week, January 26-31! We are excited to honor the classes of 1956, 1966, 1976, 1986, 1996, 2006, 2016 as part of this milestone celebration at Saturday's game, January 31.

- Tuesday, January 27 – Girls basketball at home against Red Rock Central, Boys basketball at home against Minneota. Junior class fundraiser Sub sandwich meal.
- Friday, January 30 – Girls basketball at home against MCC, alumni invited to join the pep band (7:00ish), alumni knock out competition during half time of the varsity game
- Saturday, January 31 – Boys basketball at home against RTR, Junior fundraiser Pulled Pork meal, alumni invited to join pep band, honoring of classes, cheer camp routine.

A memory table highlighting moments from the past 75 years will be in the cafeteria to look through. All alumni may also grab a free popcorn from the concession stand during the games! We would love for you to come celebrate with us and be part of this special week!

COMMUNITY & OTHER ITEMS

MIK+ POST HIGH YOUNG ADULTS:

We will continue meeting on Saturday nights at 6pm in the Inwood CRC for our Bible study. There will be a meal provided each night. Please RSVP by the Wednesday night before the Bible study to Lee @ 712-470-4244. And, as always, feel free to invite a friend!

- Saturday, February 21
- Saturday, March 21
- Saturday, April 11

*This information will also be on the Minnokota Youth Facebook Page.

Classis Minnokota is hiring! We're seeking a creative, energetic leader to help strengthen churches, develop new leaders, and explore new church planting opportunities. If you're eager to see Reformed churches grow in faithfulness and impact right here in the upper Midwest, we'd like to hear from you! Learn more: wgtncrc.org/classis-advancement-director

ATLAS for Life is thinking about Christmas. If you are putting Christmas decorations, dishes, or other Christmas items away and thought about donating some of them, we would love to receive your donation for our annual Christmas Rummage and Boutique in November. Please contact the ATLAS office (507.562.5777) or drop off at the ATLAS office (101 2nd St. NE - Pipestone) on either Tuesday or Thursday between 9:00am-4:00pm.

SW MN Pro-Life is once again sponsoring a motorcoach to our State Capital on Thursday, January 22 for the **March for Life**. Over 14,000 babies were murdered in MN alone last year. God asks us to pray and take a stand!! Would you join us and make your presence known by walking peacefully in front of the capital and joining 1000's of others? A very generous anonymous donor that is unable to attend is helping to cover a lot of the cost for you to go and stand for LIFE!! Would you call or text Deb at 507-227-0796 or email debkenya@yahoo.com. Please reach out today. If you can't go, would you join us in praying for this day of remembrance?

There will be a **Red Cross blood drive** at the First Reformed Church in Edgerton on Monday, January 26 from 12:30 until 6:30. Please call Betty at 507-227-8416 or fbhuiskens@gmail.com to make or confirm an appointment. There is a constant need for blood. Only 3% of Americans donate blood. Our goal for this drive is to collect 65+ units of blood for someone/somewhere. Anyone 16 yrs old (with parental consent) and older and in good health are able to donate.

The Luverne Christian School Society will be hosting the annual **Soup and Pie Supper** from 5:30-7:30 on Wednesday, January 28th. Enjoy an evening off from cooking with a delicious meal that includes a variety of soups, tea rolls, BBQ's and tasty pies. The cost is freewill donation, all proceeds benefit the Luverne Christian School Society.

Hope Haven's "Keys of Love" Dueling Piano Fundraiser - Friday, February 13 | 7 PM

The District, Sioux Falls. Join us for a fun night of music and entertainment with Dueling Duo, Andy & Ryno! All proceeds support Hope Haven International Ministries in providing wheelchairs to those in need around the world. Tickets and details at hopehaven.org/events

Thrive Faith Formation Tip- Because we are called to honor and uphold the sanctity of every human life—from the womb to the tomb—we invite you on this Sanctity of Human Life Sunday to put this calling into action. Consider volunteering your time at a local pregnancy center or elder care home as a tangible expression of your commitment to life. As you serve, reflect on how the experience deepens your understanding and strengthens your role as an advocate for the dignity and value of every human life. Take time to write down how this experience has shaped your heart and perspective. Brought to you by Thrive: crena.org/Thrive

Kids Corner Devotions: Goodness: Are You a Good Person? - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Goodness: Are You a Good Person?" at www.kidscorner.net. Want to know what it really means to be good? When we let God fill our hearts with love, kindness, and patience, we can grow "good fruit" and make the world a brighter, better place. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's The Bible in One Year Plan.

Groundwork: Did Paul and James Agree on Salvation? - Paul emphasizes salvation by grace, but James teaches the importance of our works. Do our works contribute to our righteousness? Join Groundwork as we study James 1:1-8, James 2:14-26, Colossians 3:5-10, and 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8 to compare what we learn from James to what Paul teaches about the relationship between God's grace and our works, and then consider what it means for our daily lives. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Celebrating 75 Years of Today - For 75 years, *Today* has been part of the daily rhythms of faith for readers around the world, and we thank God for the ways these devotions continue to point people to Christ. ReFrame Ministries invites you to a special virtual Direct Connect on Thursday, January 29 at 1:00 pm EST as we celebrate this milestone, reflect on God's faithfulness, and look ahead to what God is still doing through *Today*. Register at reframeministries.org/events. A recording will be shared with all who sign up.

Young Adult Opportunity with Resonate - Are you around 16-20 years old? Speak some Spanish? Interested in getting a taste of ministry in Central America? Join an unforgettable two-week journey with Resonate Global Mission—travel through Guatemala and El Salvador where you'll dive into real-life mission work, get to know Central American young people, experience God's love, and discover how God might be calling you to make a difference now and in the future. The trip is July 1-15, 2026 and the application deadline is February 28, 2026. Learn more at www.resonateglobalmission.org/encounter

Helpful Information

NURSERY: available for infants and toddlers on lower level

CHILDREN'S CHURCH & WORSHIP (AM): ages 3-1st grade are dismissed to their classes downstairs during the offering

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (AM): grades 2-4 in the society room during the pastoral prayer

HEARING AID DEVICES: available at the media desk

REFRESHMENTS: after the morning service

PRAYER ROOM: you are invited to join the prayer team before the Sunday services

WEBSITE: www.bethelcrgderton.org

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday 1-5 pm & Thursday 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

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Announcements need to be in by Thursday, 10:00 a.m.

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WEATHER RELATED SERVICE INFORMATION: KDWC (99.3FM), K101 (101.1FM), KLOH (1050AM), KNWC (96.5FM), KELOLAND TV

ELDERS:

Doug Eisma, VP (CG #6)

Greg Hanenburg (CG #4)

Dennis Kroll (CG #2)

Mark Van Dam, President (Post High)

Rob Van Hill (CG #3)

Ron Vander Lugt (Extended Grief Care)

Jeff De Boer (CG #5)

Todd Jasper (CG #1)

Jess Van Dyke, Clerk (CG #7)

DEACONS:

Ryan Bridgewater (CG #1)

Kyle Fey, President of Deacons

Dylan Walhof (CG #6)

Mike Fenske, Sec. of Deacons (CG #5)

Matt Tinklenberg (CG #3)

Josh Van Essen (CG #7)

Spencer Mesman (CG #4)

Nathan Pfeifle (CG #2)

Our Helpers

PREACHING Today: AM: Pastor Bill Vis

Next Week: AM: Pastor Bill Vis

ACCOMPANIST Today: AM: Rachel Prins

Next Week: AM: Kendra Van Hill

PM: Pastor Bill Vis

PM: Cadet Sunday – at First CRC

PM: Linda Vanderaa

PM:

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Today: Matt Vande Kamp Next Week: Linda Vanderaa

CHILDREN'S CHURCH Today: Bonnie De Boer Next Week: Larissa Caspersen

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP Today: Rose Kroll & Sadie/Allison Fenske

NURSERY Today: AM Infant: LuAnn Spronk, Levi Van Essen, Ellyse Van Dyke

Toddler: Shayla Scholten, Megan Rylaarsdam, Hudson Kooiker,

Boden Rieck, Amelia Van't Hof

PM: Brevan & Brenna Jasper

Next Week AM Infant: Lori Fey, Brenna Jasper, Maybri Prins

Toddler: Abbie Fey, Mason Tinklenberg, Maya Krosschell,

Dylan Brands, Kaylee Rylaarsdam

USHERS Today: Arly Van't Hof, Greg Dyk, Nick Spronk

Next Week: Connor Van Hill, Jesse Kooiker, Dan Hanson

HOST/HOSTESS Today: Karen Van Schepen Next Week: Kendra Kuipers

SOUND SYSTEM Today: Derek/Denny Next Week: Justin/Denny

VIDEO CAMERA Today: Jon Next Week: Walt

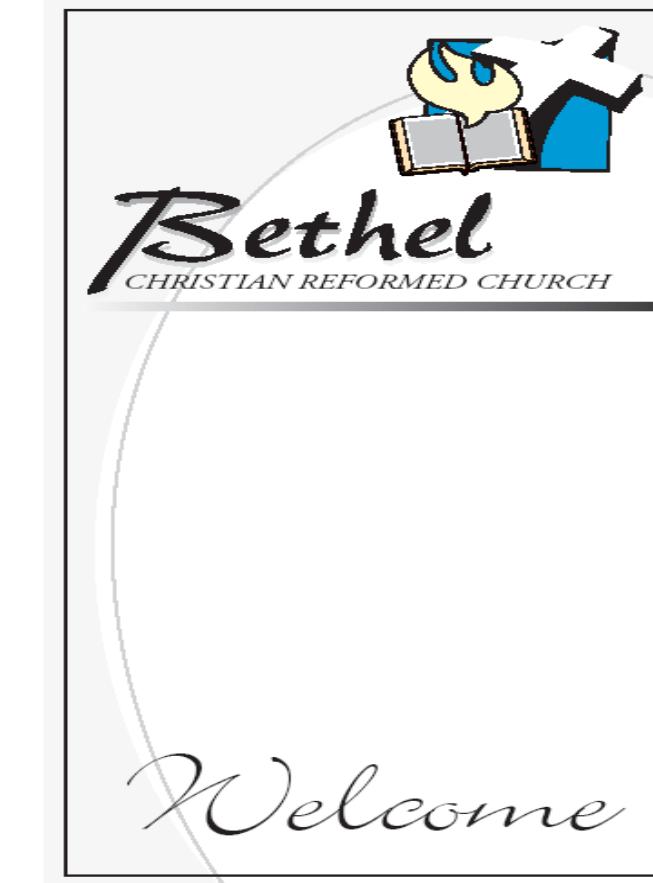
MULTI-MEDIA Today: Willem Next Week: Krista

REFRESHMENTS Today: Ruth Kooiker, Arla Bouma,

Brianna Bridgewater, Gene & LouAnn Kuipers

Next Week: Jan Brink, Gloria Brouwer,

Marilyn Buys, Karen Walhof



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Worship Guide
and Weekly News

Morning Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.

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