

**Bethel Christian Reformed Church**  
**January 25, 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 Marlin Van Schepen

**Prelude**

**Welcome and announcements**

- \* **Call to worship**
- \* **God's greeting**
- \* **We greet each other**
- \* **Opening song: Only a Holy God**

**Sanctity of Human Life**

**Song of response: He Knows My Name**

(Children's sermon for grades 2-4 in the society room.)

**Prayer of God's people**

**Offering:** 1<sup>st</sup> is for the Cadets, the 2<sup>nd</sup> is a communion thank offering for ReFrame Ministries

(Children's church (ages 3-5) and children's worship (grades K-1) dismissed)

- \* **Song of preparation: O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus – Praise 81 (1-3)**

**Scripture:** Genesis 15

**Message:** A COVENANT KEEPING GOD

- \* **Song of application: There is Power in the Blood – Praise 283 (1-3)**

**Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

During passing of the bread: *Behold the Lamb (Communion Hymn)*

During passing of the juice: *How Deep the Father's Love For Us*

- \* **Parting words**

- \* **Parting song: There is Power in the Blood – Praise 283 (4)**

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**Cadet Sunday**

**This evening, we will join with the congregation at First CRC for a combined Cadet Sunday Service. The service will begin at 6:30 p.m.**

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**Offering Schedule:**

- January 25: Cadets; Communion Thank Offering: ReFrame Ministries
- February 1: First Fruits for the General Fund
- February 8: Kylene – Central Asia
- February 15: Vasya & Maranda Heytsi
- February 22: Edgerton Food Shelf
- March 1: First Fruits for the General Fund

**Church Family:**

- We extend our sympathy to **Marilyn Jasper** on the passing of her brother-in-law, Harold Jasper. We also mourn with **Tricia Veldkamp and family**, and **Bryce and Lisa Veldkamp and family**, on the passing of **Hendrene Veldkamp Van Wyhe**. May God grant His comfort and peace to all who grieve.
- We are happy to welcome **Stephanie Spronk** into Bethel's membership. Her membership was transferred from Richland Church of Mina, SD. We are glad to have you with us!

**This Week's Activities:**

**TUESDAY:**

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

**WEDNESDAY:**

6:30-8:15pm **GEMS** .....First CRC

6:30-8:30pm **Cadets** .....Bethel

**THURSDAY:**

5:40 pm **Union Gospel Mission Chapel Service** .....carpool from Bethel

**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 **11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> Grade Catechism** .....Parsonage Basement

6:30 pm **Evening Worship Service** .....Bethel

**Advance Dates:**

January 29: Union Gospel Mission Chapel Service

February 11: Cadet Pinewood Derby at SWC Elementary Gym

February 21: RESGEN Men's Summit Simulcast

**Announcements:**

**CHURCH**

**9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> Grade Catechism will meet today in the YPS Room.** 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> Grade will meet next Sunday, February 1, instead of January 25.

Join us for worship at Union Gospel Mission! Care Group #4 is responsible for leading the chapel service at Union Gospel Mission in Sioux Falls on Thursday, January 29. If you'd like to ride together, meet at Bethel at 5:40 pm. If you prefer to join us at the Mission, the service begins at 7:00 pm. We'd love for you to be part of this evening of worship and encouragement to those who attend. Everyone is welcome whether you are part of Care Group #4 or not.

**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](http://crcna.org/survey/6628) to answer the survey questions by **March 31**.

 **REGEN 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.

**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**

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](mailto: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.

**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 Minnikota Youth Facebook Page.

**Classis Minnikota 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](http://wgtncrc.org/classis-advancement-director)

**Hope Haven's "Keys of Love" Dueling Piano Fundraiser** - Friday, February 13 at 7 PM at 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](http://hopehaven.org/events)

**Thrive Faith Formation Tip-** The faith practice of remembering provides a way to center our attention on what God has done in our lives as a reminder that God is with us here and now. As the month of January draws to a close, share your favorite memory from the past month or past year with your family members or friends, recognizing God's care and love for you in that moment. For more info on the faith practice of remembering, see [crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject/remembering](http://crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject/remembering). Brought to you by Thrive: [crcna.org/Thrive](http://crcna.org/Thrive)

**Kids Corner Devotions: Gentleness: It's Your Move** - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Gentleness: It's Your Move," at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Discover the secret power of gentleness—a strength that helps you stay kind, calm, and caring even

when things get tough. Like carefully moving a Jenga® block, your gentle words and actions can help keep hearts standing strong! Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like KC's The Bible in One Year Plan.

**Groundwork: Saved by Grace Alone. Let Your Works Respond Accordingly.** - The apostle Paul wrote a lot about salvation and the Christian life. Study Galatians 2:19-21, Galatians 3:1-3, Galatians 5:13-25, Romans 8:1-4, and Colossians 3:12-14 with Groundwork to gain clarity from his teaching on how we walk in step with the Spirit and grow in Christlikeness while keeping grace and Christ's work on the cross at the center of salvation. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://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](http://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](http://www.resonateglobalmission.org/encounter)

**High School Students** - Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) is accepting applications for the upcoming weekend at the First Reformed Church in Rock Rapids, Iowa. TEC is an interdenominational three-day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. The next TEC is February 13-15, 2026. If you would like to learn more about TEC or register, please visit [www.TriStateTEC.org](http://www.TriStateTEC.org) or email [TriStateTEC@gmail.com](mailto:TriStateTEC@gmail.com). The cost is \$50 and includes a t-shirt & other special gifts. Scholarships are available upon request.

**2026 Guatemala Discovery Tour** - World Renew invites you to experience Guatemala from the inside through the 2026 Discovery Tour, a learning journey alongside communities already leading change. Join us from March 14-22, 2026 to hear powerful stories of transformation and experience Guatemala's rich culture and hospitality. Come discover what God is doing in Guatemala! Registration closes January 31, 2026. For more information and to register, visit: [bit.ly/guatemala2026info](http://bit.ly/guatemala2026info)

## Helpful Information

**NURSERY:** available for infants and toddlers on lower level

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH & WORSHIP (AM):** ages 3-1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://www.bethelcrgderton.org)

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

Secretary ph: 442-3063 [bethelcrgderton@yahoo.com](mailto:bethelcrgderton@yahoo.com)

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 Marlin Van Schepen PM: Cadet Sunday (First CRC)

Next Week: AM: Pastor Bill Vis PM: Pastor Bill Vis

**ACCOMPANIST** Today: AM: Kendra Van Hill PM:

Next Week: AM: Koni De Kam PM: Linda Vanderaa

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** Today: Linda Vanderaa Next Week: Denise Nerem

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** Today: Larissa Caspersen Next Week: Carissa Odland

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

**NURSERY** Today: AM Infant: Lori Fey, Brenna Jasper, Maybri Prins

Toddler: Abbie Fey, Mason Tinklenberg, Maya Krosschell,

Dylan Brands, Kaylee Rylaarsdam

Next Week AM Infant: Amy Hanson, Isaiah Fey, Emma Odland

Toddler: Melissa Kooiker, Jonah Uilk, Emma Rylaarsdam,

Miles Prins, Ellie Van't Hof

PM: Tom & Arla Bouma

**USHERS** Today: Connor Van Hill, Jesse Kooiker, Dan Hanson

Next Week: Jon Kroll, Justin Prins, Lloyd Prins

**HOST/HOSTESS** Today: Donna Hanenburg Next Week: Kendra K./Beth V.D.

**SOUND SYSTEM** Today: Justin/Denny Next Week: Jonathan

**VIDEO CAMERA** Today: Walt Next Week: Cal

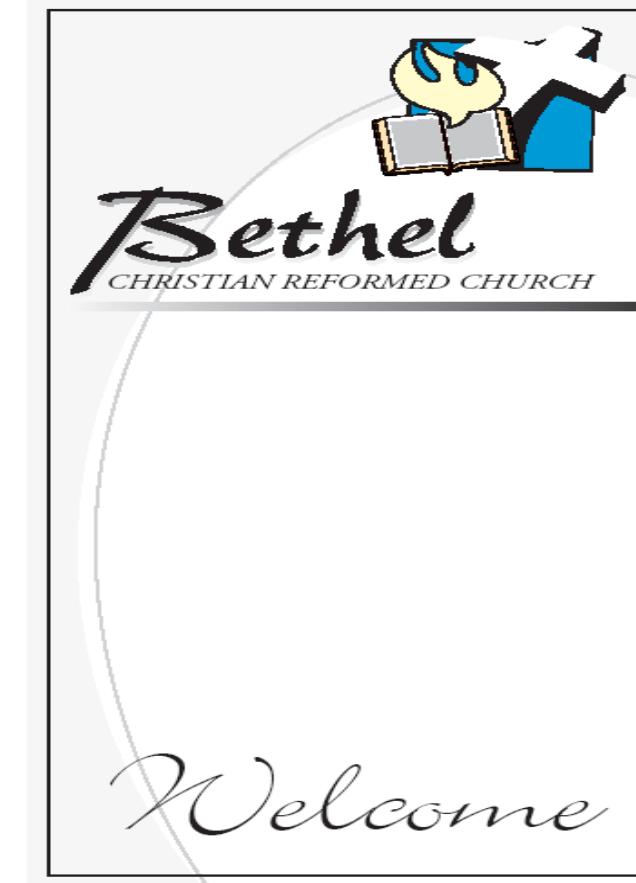
**MULTI-MEDIA** Today: Krista Next Week: Kyle

**REFRESHMENTS** Today: Jan Brink, Gloria Brouwer,

Marilyn Buys, Karen Walhof

Next Week: Larissa Caspersen, Bonnie De Boer,

Kristi De Boer, Chris & Michelle Moosey



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## Missionaries

Emily Nerem – Dominican Republic

Cuba CRC – Resonate Global Mission

Cornerstone Prison Church - South Dakota

Children of the Promise – Haiti

Vasya & Maranda Heytsi – Ukraine

Kylee – Central Asia

**Worship Guide**  
**and Weekly News**

Morning Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.

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