

**Bethel Christian Reformed Church**  
**March 5, 2023**

Welcome to worship at Bethel! We are thankful that you have joined us for a time of refreshment, renewal, and encouragement. We invite you to make Bethel your church home if you are seeking a place to worship regularly. After the morning service you are invited to join us for coffee, juice, and fellowship.

**Morning Worship Service – 9:30 a.m.**  
 Led by: Pastor Rich Loerop

- Prelude**
- Welcome and announcements**
- Call to worship**
- \* **God’s greeting**
- \* **We greet each other**
- \* **Opening songs:** *Your Name*  
*Above All*
- Call to Confession/Prayer of Confession**
- Assurance of pardon/God’s will for our lives**
- Song of response:** *Jesus, Thank You*  
(Children’s sermon for grades 2-4 in the society room)
- Prayer of God’s people**
- Offering** for First Fruits (General Fund)
- \* **Song of preparation:** *Near the Cross* – Praise 403 (1-3)  
(Children’s church (ages 3-5) and children’s worship (grades K-1) dismissed)
- Scripture:** Luke 23:32-43
- Message:** THE CROSS OF CHRIST: GOD’S GIFT OF HEALING
- \* **Song of response:** *Man of Sorrows* – PsH 482 (1-4)
- \* **God’s blessing to his people**
- \* **Parting song:** *Man of Sorrows* – PsH 482 (5)  
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**Evening Worship Service – 6:30 p.m.**  
 Led by: Pastor Rich Loerop

- Prelude**
- Welcome**
- \* **God’s greeting to his people**
- \* **Affirmation of Faith:** Apostles’ Creed
- \* **Opening songs:** *O Come, My Soul, Sing Praise to God* – PsH 297 (1,2,5)  
*My God, How Wonderful You Are* – PsH 499 (1-4)
- Psalm 103**
- Song of response:** *I Love the Lord, for He Has Heard My Voice*– PsH 116 (1-3)
- Prayer**
- \* **Song of preparation:** *The Lord, My Shepherd, Rules My Life* – PsH 23 (1,2,3,5)
- Scripture:** Mark 1:40-2:12
- Message:** UNEXPECTED GESTURES
- \* **Song of response:** *Your Hands, O Lord, In Days of Old*– PsH 363 (1-3)
- \* **God’s blessing to his people**
- \* **Closing song:** *My God, How Wonderful You Are* – PsH 499 (5-6)  
(Your evening offering for the General Fund can be put in the collection bags at the sanctuary doors.)

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**Offering Schedule:**

- March 5: First Fruits (General Fund)
- March 12: Cornerstone Prison Church
- March 19: Denominational Ministry Shares
- March 26: Children of the Promise - Haiti

**Church Family:**

- **Troy Talsma** had hip replacement surgery on Thursday. Pray for healing and a smooth recovery.

**This Week’s Activities:**

- MONDAY:**  
7:00 pm **Women’s Bible Study**..... Society Room
- TUESDAY:**  
7:00 pm **Council Meeting**.....Council Room
- WEDNESDAY:**  
9:30 am **Coffee Break/Story Hour**.....First CRC  
6:00-8:00pm **GEMS Mother/Daughter Night** .....First CRC  
6:30-8:30pm **Cadets**..... Bethel  
7:00 pm **CRC Annual Day of Prayer Service** ..... Bethel
- THURSDAY:**  
7:00 pm **Friendship** .....First CRC
- 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 and adults..... Classrooms  
5:15 pm **9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> Grade Catechism** ..... Fellowship Hall  
6:30 pm **Evening Worship Service**..... Bethel  
7:45 pm **11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> Grade Catechism** ..... Fellowship Hall



**STEPHEN MINISTRY:**

Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or see in me – put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

-Philippians 4:9

**Announcements:**

**CHURCH**

Due to a school music concert in Worthington on Monday night, our **council meeting** will be *Tuesday*, March 7 at 7:00 pm.  
 Wednesday, March 8 is the Christian Reformed Church's **Annual Day of Prayer**. Bethel will be hosting a service at 7:00 PM that evening and everyone is encouraged to join brothers and sisters in prayer for our communities, our nation, the CRC and the church worldwide.  
**Bethel Bridal shower** is scheduled for Saturday morning, April 8. Bethel members: please notify Sue Jasper by March 1 if you would like to be included. (442-5224 or 507-215-0349)  
**Reminder:** Please contact our church janitors, Marv and Kendra Kuipers, about scheduling any events or activities that will be held in our church building so they can make sure the room(s) needed are ready for you. (Marv - 507-236-5368; Kendra - 507-227-0488) Their contact information can also be found on the back of the bulletin each week.

**Offering Report:**

1/29 Cadets	\$4,116.31
2/5 General Fund	\$41,930.25
2/12 CRC Cuba	\$3,579.75
2/19 ATLAS	\$3,589.50

**SCHOOL**

**Change of date!** The Southwest Christian High School Circles invite you to their annual **Spring Soup and Dessert Supper** on Tuesday, March 28 (changed from the 21<sup>st</sup>). Serving time is from 5:30-7:30 PM. Menu choices include chili,

cheesy vegetable, pea, chicken rice soups, BBQ's and desserts. Free will donations are gratefully accepted.

**SWC KINGDOM KIDS PRESCHOOL** is open for enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year. What a wonderful opportunity for your child to explore and discover God's world! Registration forms can be picked up at the elementary campus office at 210 Elizabeth St in Edgerton or downloaded from our school website, <https://www.swcschools.org/>. For more information or a tour, call the office at 507-442-6181 or email us at [elementary@swcschools.org](mailto:elementary@swcschools.org). If you know of others who do not presently send their children to SWC Elementary but may be interested in preschool information, refer them to our website or let us know and we will mail information to them.

**COMMUNITY & OTHER ITEMS**

Join us for another **Beautiful Life Women's Conference: Growing Together**, at American Reformed Church of Luverne, featuring Jennifer Dukes Lee and her book: *Growing Slow*. This in-person event will be April 15 from 9am-4pm. Doors open at 8am. Breakfast and lunch will be served. Register by calling 507-283-8600 or sign up at <https://bit.ly/BLWC23>. Pre-registration is REQUIRED. Early bird registration is \$40 per person. Last day for early bird registration is March 12. Registration from March 13 to April 2 is \$50 per person. NO tickets available at the door. Follow us on Facebook at Beautiful Life Conferences.

**Upcoming Events at Pipestone ATLAS:**

**Wednesday, March 29:** Pizza Ranch Fundraiser at Pipestone Pizza Ranch, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

**Saturday, April 29:** Annual Spring Rummage, 9:00-3:00 at ATLAS - Pipestone  
 At this time we are looking for gently used household items, home decor & odds and ends (no clothing or furniture). Your donations may be dropped off at ATLAS (101 2nd St NE) on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 9:00am-5:00pm. (Deadline for donations is April 25) or call Roxie Mulder to pick up your donations (507.227.0905).

Our thanks to the Pipestone Pizza Ranch for hosting the Community Impact Night to benefit ATLAS and our thanks to our many supporters for their prayers and donations of rummage items and many other expressions of support. Praising our Heavenly Father for all his many blessings to this ministry!

**KIDS CORNER: - Sorting Out Our Fears** - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). This week: Managing fear is a muscle we can strengthen just like we can strengthen our leg muscles to run faster. Learning to run fast and learning to calm fear both take practice, but they are worth it! Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) like the Preparing for Easter: A Family Lenten Devotional eBook.

**Groundwork: Heavenly Visions to Encourage Our Faith** - Seeing heaven’s perspective of the cosmic, spiritual battle between God and evil provided John comfort while he was exiled on the island of Patmos. Join Groundwork as we study Revelation 7-14 and discuss the meaning of the images and numbers in John’s famous heavenly visions and the comfort we can continue to find in the eternal truths those vision conveyed. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**Lent At-home Faith Formation Tip** - Many Christians practice giving something up for Lent in order to make more space for God. If you have kids in your household, think together about how you might make more space for God this week. For example, you might take a technology break each day and spend the time reading about Jesus’ life and ministry in *The Jesus Storybook Bible* or *Growing in God’s Love: A Story Bible* and talking about the stories together.

**Summer Service Trips with World Renew DRS** - Looking for ways to serve with your congregation or youth group this summer? Join World Renew DRS to repair homes after natural disasters all across the US and Canada! We have sites available in Washington, Kentucky, Florida, Michigan, North Carolina, and more! Contact Chris, our Groups Program Manager, at [cgibson@worldrenew.net](mailto:cgibson@worldrenew.net) if interested or with questions.

## 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 after the offertory  
**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.betheledgerton.org](http://www.betheledgerton.org)  
**OFFICE HOURS:** Tuesday 1-5 pm & Thursday 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Secretary ph: 442-3063 [bethelcrcedgerton@yahoo.com](mailto:bethelcrcedgerton@yahoo.com)  
Announcements need to be in by Thursday, 10:00 a.m.  
**JANITOR:** Marv 507-236-5368; Kendra 507-227-0488; [mkuipers@gmail.com](mailto:mkuipers@gmail.com)  
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**WEATHER RELATED SERVICE INFORMATION:** KDWC (99.3FM), K101 (101.1FM), KLOH (1050AM), KNWC (96.5FM), KELOLAND TV

## Our Helpers

**PREACHING** Today: AM: Pastor Rich Loerop PM: Pastor Rich Loerop  
Next Week: AM: Pastor Rich Loerop PM: Pastor Rich Loerop  
**ACCOMPANIST** Today: AM: Lisa Vander Maten PM: Lisa Vander Maten  
Next Week: AM: Rachel Prins PM: Kendra Van Hill  
**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** Today: Matt Vande Kamp Next Week: Rose Kroll  
**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** Today: Kayla Vande Kamp Next Week: Larissa Caspersen  
**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP** Today: Todd Jasper & Sas kids  
**NURSERY** Today AM: Infant: Brianna Bridgewater, Selah Kuipers, Nyah Remme  
Toddler: Dionne Prins, Abby Galvin, Ana Veldkamp,  
Gavin Rieck, Emma Odland  
PM: Becca Van Schepen, Tricia Tinklenberg  
Next Week AM Infant: Lori Fey, Myah Vander Maten, Hannah Van Schepen  
Toddler: Liz De Jongh, Brandi Fenske, Abby Moosey,  
Isaiah Fey, Boden Rieck  
PM: Greg & Karen Dyk Family  
**USHERS** Today: Arly Van't Hof, Greg Dyk, Nick Spronk  
Next Week: Ron Vander Lugt, Jacob Bierstedt, Dan Hanson  
**HOST/HOSTESS** Today: Lois Van Dyke & Jolene Walhof  
Next Week: Dean & Becky Van Hulzen  
**SOUND SYSTEM** Today: Jonathan Next Week: Seth/Huck  
**VIDEO CAMERA** Today: Jon Next Week: Walt  
**MULTI-MEDIA** Today: Krista Next Week: JT  
**REFRESHMENTS** Today: Cheri Groen, Donna Hanenburg,  
Emily Hanenburg, Chris & Michelle Moosey  
Next Week: Joyce Hanenburg, Narla Hulstein,  
Sue Jasper, Kendra Kuipers



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### Pastor

Pastor Brian Kornelis

### Assistant Pastor

Pastor Marlin Van Schepen

### Missionaries

Mary Buys – Southeast Asia  
Cuba CRC – Resonate Global Mission  
Cornerstone Prison Church - South Dakota  
Children of the Promise – Haiti  
Vasya & Maranda Heytsi – Ukraine

## Worship Guide and Weekly News

**Morning Worship** – 9:30 a.m.

**Evening Worship** - 6:30 p.m.