

Bethel Christian Reformed Church
April 12, 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 songs:** *Be Exalted, O God*
Jesus, Thank You
Confession/assurance of pardon
Song of response: *You Are My All in All*
(Children’s sermon for grades 2-4 in the society room.)
Prayer of God’s people
Offering: for Children of the Promise - Haiti
(Children’s church (ages 3-5) and children’s worship (grades K-1) dismissed)
* **Song of preparation:** *Simple Living (A Rich Young Man)*
Scripture: 1 Timothy 6:1-21
Message: HOW CHRISTIANS LOOK AT WORK AND MONEY
* **Song of application:** *We Are an Offering*
* **Parting words**
* **Parting song:** *More Precious Than Silver*

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:** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* – PsH 253 (1-3)
Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet – PsH 569 (1-2)
Responsive reading: Psalm 1
Song of response: *The One Is Blest* – LUYH 714 (1,2,3,5)
Prayer
* **Song of preparation:** *Dwell in Me, O Blessed Spirit* – PsH 427 (1-2)
Scripture: James 4:1-10
Message: WHEN CHRISTIANITY DOESN’T WORK
* **Song of response:** *In Sweet Communion, Lord With You* – PsH 554 (1,3,5)
* **God’s blessing to his people**
* **Closing song:** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* – PsH 253 (4)
(Your evening offering for Children of the Promise can be put in the offering bags at the sanctuary doors.)

Offering Schedule:

- April 12: Children of the Promise – Haiti
April 19: ATLAS
April 26: GEMS
May 3: First Fruits for the General Fund

Church Family:

- We express our sympathy to **Jerlyn & Barb Spronk** and **Arwin & LuAnn Spronk** in the passing of their brother, Myron Spronk.
- We also express our sympathy to **Rose Vis** and the family of **Vern Vis**. Family visitation is Monday, April 13, from 5-7pm at the Edgerton Funeral Home. The funeral is on Tuesday, April 14, at 10:30am also at the funeral home.

This Week’s Activities:

- TUESDAY:**
6:00-7:00am **Men’s Bible Study**.....Society Room
WEDNESDAY:
7:00 pm **YPS Small Groups** Leaders’ Homes
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** Classrooms
6:30 pm **Evening Worship Service** Bethel

Advance Dates:

- April 26: GEMS Sunday
April 26: Final Day of Sunday School for the school year
May 7: Community Prayer Service at Bethel, 7:00pm

Announcements:

CHURCH

9th & 10th Grade Catechism meets this Sunday, April 12, and April 26.

Vacation Bible School: Get ready for an unforgettable adventure at this year’s Vacation Bible School - **Rainforest Falls: Rooted in God’s Love!** Join us June 8–11, 2026 for a fun-filled week of Bible stories, games, crafts, and songs that will help kids grow deeper in their relationship with God. Please note, due to location limitations, VBS will run Monday through Thursday only, with no Friday or VBS program this year. Registration is open through June 1, so be sure to sign up soon! (Registration tables are set up in the back of your church or online - follow us on Facebook!) We are also in need of helpers to make this week possible. If you are willing to help, we would truly love to have you. VBS would not be the same without all our volunteers! Let's make it a great week!

Notes from the April Council Meeting

- The council spent time in scripture reading, singing, and prayer.
- To further their understanding of CRCNA, church order article 26-28 was read and discussed.
- Preparations continue to be made for the Bussis' move in June.
- The deacons are exploring reestablishing a Stewardship Committee.
- In recognition of the National Day of Prayer Bethel will be hosting a community prayer service on May 7, at 7 p.m.

Bethel CRC: We are sincerely grateful for your extremely generous donation to the ministry of ATLAS for Life! We marvel at the amazing ways God works and are truly appreciative for all the opportunities we have to share His great love!
Blessings, Jess Petersen & the team at ATLAS

COMMUNITY & OTHER ITEMS

Southwest Minnesota Pro-Life group will be holding their annual Pro-Life Spring Rally on Monday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m. at Southwest Christian High School, 550 Elizabeth St. in Edgerton. Our speaker will be Emily Zylstra. She is

the Executive Director of Helping Hands Pregnancy Center in Worthington overseeing the mission, staff, and community outreach efforts that support women and families facing difficult situations. Come and support this worthy cause.

Prayer Summit: In a world FULL of chaos, we know there is ONE who has the answer! You are invited to join others and come together for 1 hour of prayer, reflection, worship, Scripture, and most of all, PRAYER.

WHEN: Every Tuesday at 7 pm

WHERE: Woodstock Community Church, 130 Dakota St. N. Woodstock, MN
Join us for prayer and lay your concerns down, and God promises to “hear and answer your prayer!”

The MINNIKOTA YOUTH (& DU STUDENT LEADERS) 16th ANNUAL JR HIGH RETREAT is April 17-19 at Inspiration Hills. Our theme this year is "TRUTH" from John 8:31-32 'Jesus said, 'If you abide in my word, you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.'" Join other local Jr High Students (6th, 7th, and 8th grade) at this retreat designed especially for you. Growing your faith, prayer time, worship through songs, student speakers sharing from their hearts, large group games, community service time, a Leader lead talent show, fun with old friends and new, and small group time will be on the agenda for the weekend! For more information or to register, email Lee at degrootlee@gmail.com or mikyouthnetwork@gmail.com or check us out on our Facebook page.

Support Helping Hands Pregnancy Center at a Pizza Ranch

Fundraiser! Join us on **Thursday, April 23, from 5:00–8:00 PM** at the Worthington Pizza Ranch. Families coming from the Southwest MN Christian vs. Worthington track meet can grab dinner on their way to or from the event, and a portion of each order directly supports the moms, dads, and little ones we serve. It’s a great way for your school community to enjoy a night of sports while also blessing families in our area. Enjoy great food and support a great cause!

Kids Corner Devotions: Go Outside and Learn About God - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion, “Go Outside and Learn About God,” at www.kidscorner.net. Come explore God’s amazing world like Job did and discover how animals, plants, and stars can teach us about how wise and powerful God is! Grab a friend or family member and go on a fun outdoor adventure with snacks, games, and even a backyard campout to thank God and learn more about Him. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC’s Earth Day collection.

Groundwork: Salvation Through Jesus Christ Alone - As the Christian faith spread, the Apostle Paul often wrote letters to churches he planted to help clarify and solidify his teachings. Join Groundwork as we begin a study of his letter to the church in Galatia by studying Galatians 1. Together, we’ll study Paul’s teaching about salvation and let it continue to encourage our faith and strengthen our commitment to Christ today. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - The practice of gratitude, rooted in recognizing and responding to God’s constant goodness, moves us to respond fully to God’s generosity. Each day this week take some time to write down one thing for which you are grateful. At the end of the week share your list with your family or friends in celebration of God’s goodness and provision in your life. For more ways to practice gratitude, see crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject/gratitude. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Pray for Synod 2026 - Starting May 3, and for 40 days leading up to Synod 2026, pray with CRC members, leaders, and friends for God’s presence and guidance for the CRC and this year’s synod gathering. Learn more and find prayer resources at network.crcna.org/topic/spiritual-formation/prayer/40-days-prayer-synod-2026, including a link to sign up to receive daily emails throughout the 40 days with prayers written by people from across the denomination.

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Turkey and the Seven Churches of Revelation - October 9-19, 2026, visit ancient sites connected with Paul's First, Second, and Third Missionary Journeys as well as the seven churches to whom John wrote the Book of Revelation. Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational biblical tour. Contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu

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.betheledgerton.org
OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday 1-5 pm & Thursday 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.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 PM: Pastor Bill Vis
 Next Week: AM: Pastor Marlin Van Schepen PM: Pastor Bill Vis
ACCOMPANIST Today: AM: Michelle Moosey PM: Michelle Moosey
 Next Week: AM: Koni De Kam PM: Linda Vanderaa
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Today: Greg Dyk Next Week: Denise Nerem
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Today: Carissa Odland Next Week: Becca Van Schepen
CHILDREN'S WORSHIP Today: Bonnie De Boer & Leah/Noah Veldkamp
NURSERY Today: AM Infant: Mary Brands, Alexa De Boer, Joel Hanson
 Toddler: Brianna Bridgewater, Mara Prins, Noah Veldkamp,
 Chapter Meksavanh, Nevaeh Ossefoort
 PM: Brevan & Brenna Jasper
 Next Week AM Infant: Melissa Kooiker, Brenna Jasper, Lincoln Fey
 Toddler: Coleen Ver Hey, Xavier Meksavanh, Dena Pap,
 Tayton Kooiker, Willa Veldkamp
 PM: Bonnie De Boer, Sophie Van Essen
USHERS Today: Arly Van't Hof, Greg Dyk, Nick Spronk
 Next Week: Connor Van Hill, Jesse Kooiker, Dan Hanson
HOST/HOSTESS Today: Donna Hanenburg Next Week: Mary Kreun
SOUND SYSTEM Today: Seth/Huck Next Week: Derek/Denny
VIDEO CAMERA Today: Cal Next Week: Brent
MULTI-MEDIA Today: Kyle Next Week: Dan
REFRESHMENTS Today: Tricia Prins, Heidi Remme,
 Heather Rieck, Rob & Kendra Van Hill
 Next Week: Chanda Rozeboom, Melissa Rylaarsdam,
 Audrey Stoel, Jill Talsma

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 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.