

Bethel Christian Reformed Church
April 13, 2025

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 Jack Gray

- Prelude**
Children’s Church and Children’s Worship Songs
Welcome and announcements
Call to worship
* **God’s greeting**
* **We greet each other**
* **Opening song:** *Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)*
Confession/assurance of pardon
God’s Law for Palm Sunday
Song of response: *Turn Your Eyes*
(Children’s sermon for grades 2-4 in the society room.)
Prayer of God’s people
Offering: Children of the Promise - Haiti
(Children’s church (ages 3-5) and children’s worship (grades K-1) dismissed)
* **Song of preparation:** *All Glory, Laud and Honor* – PsH 376 (1-3)
Scripture: Mark 11:1-19; text vs 18
Message: CHILDREN AND CHIEFS
* **Song of application:** *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* – PsH 378 (1-2)
* **Parting words**
* **Parting song:** *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* – PsH 378 (1-2)

Evening Worship Service – 6:30 p.m.
Led by: Pastor Marlin Van Schepen

- Prelude**
Welcome
Call to worship
* **God’s greeting to His people**
* **Opening songs:** *Come, All You People, Praise Our God* – PsH 242 (1-3)
Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah – PsH 188 (1-3)
Responsive Reading: Psalm 103
Song of response: *Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven* – PsH 475 (1-4)
Prayer
* **Song of preparation:** *Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near*
Scripture: Mark 5:25-34
Message: WHO TOUCHED ME?
* **Song of response:** *He Touched Me* – Praise 532 (1-2)
* **God’s blessing to his people**
* **Closing song:** *Bless His Holy Name* – PsH 627
(Your evening offering for Children of the Promise can be put in the offering bags at the sanctuary doors.)


Offering Schedule:
April 13: Children of the Promise
April 20: Denominational Ministry Shares
April 27: GEMS
May 4: First Fruits (General Fund)

Church Family:

- As a congregation we extend our sympathy to **Mayme Spronk, Cal & MaryAnn Spronk, and Diane Spronk** in the passing of **Art Spronk**. Art was also **Vonnie Walhof’s** brother-in-law. Visitation for Art is Wednesday, April 16 from 5-7 PM at Colonial Funeral Chapel. Funeral service is Thursday, April 17, at 10:30 AM at Bethel.
- Gladi Vander Pol** began her chemotherapy treatments this past week. Pray for healing for her and strength and peace for Mike and Gladi. If you would like to bless them with a meal, a meal train has been set up. Here’s the link: <https://mealtrain.com/430g17>
- Randy Sprik’s** leukemia treatment has stopped working. He underwent a bone marrow biopsy Thursday. Pray for results which will provide information leading to additional treatment options.
- Pray for **Loren & Alanna Vander Top** as they continue their cancer treatments.
- Pray that **Muriel Walhof** finds joy and peace in her new home in Edgebrook’s assisted living.
- This past week, the council was blessed to hear the profession of faith of another one of our youth, **Silas Van Essen**. We give thanks to God for working in Silas's heart to bring about the desire to publicly profess his faith and join in full membership at Bethel. The date for Silas's public profession will be announced at a later date.

This Week’s Activities:

WEDNESDAY:
5:30-6:45pm **YPS Mexican Supper & Bake-Off Auction**.....Fellowship Hall
THURSDAY:
7:00 pm **Maundy Thursday Service**Bethel
SATURDAY:
9:30 am **Bridal Shower**Fellowship Hall
NEXT SUNDAY:
8:30 am **Prayer Meeting** Prayer Room
9:30 am **Morning Worship Service**.....Bethel
11:00 am **Choir Practice**..... Sanctuary
6:30 pm **Evening Worship Service**.....Bethel



STEPHEN MINISTRY:
But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.
-1 Peter 2:9

Advance Dates:

April 19: Bethel Bridal Shower
April 23: Cadet Pancake Supper
April 27: GEMS Sunday, Combined PM Service at First CRC

Announcements:

CHURCH

Any children age 3 through 1st grade are invited to lead us in worship at the start of the AM service on Palm Sunday (April 13). Before church begins this Sunday, April 13, your children are invited to line up in the fellowship hall, walk into church waving palm branches, and sing several songs to begin our worship service.

Attention High School Students: 11th/12th catechism- will meet 4/27, 5/4, 5/18. **9th/10th catechism- will meet 4/13**, 4/27, 5/4, 5/18.

This Sunday, April 13, is the final day of Sunday School for grades 2-8. **A HUGE thank you to our teachers!** You shared yourself and your love for God with our

children. Thank you for being faithful to the promise that we make at baptism to help raise our children in the Christian faith.

Our youth group invites you to a fundraiser on Wednesday, April 16. A Mexican themed supper will be served 5:30-6:45 for a free will donation. At 7:00 a live auction of Bake-Off items will begin. What’s the Bake-Off Auction?? Each member of the youth group will challenge someone from the congregation to make a certain baked item. These baked items will then be auctioned off. It will be a friendly competition between our youth group and the congregation. Who can raise the most? Proceeds will go towards youth group mission trips.

Maundy Thursday Service: Thursday evening, Aril 17, we will have a special service remembering Christ's Last Supper with His disciples. We too, will be invited to come to the communion table, remember and believe that Jesus suffered and died for all our sins. Join us for our Maundy Thursday service at 7:00 PM.

Ladies of Bethel! Join us on Saturday, April 19 at 9:30 AM to help us honor 4 brides at Bethel’s Pantry Shower! See the invitation in your mailbox for more information!

Resurrection Sunday morning worship will be a special time of praise. The choir will sing, and we all will rejoice in song. The message is direct and personal. If you have a family member, friend, or co-worker who seldom goes to church, invite and take them to our festive Easter service.

Get ready for an unforgettable adventure at this year’s Vacation Bible School — *True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World!* From June 9–13, kids will dive into exciting stories, games, crafts, and songs that point them to Jesus, our steady guide through life’s wild twists and turns. Registration tables are now set up in church — don’t wait, sign up today! You can also sign up with the link on our "VBS - Edgerton, MN" Facebook page. If you would like to purchase a CD of the songs we will be learning, sign up on the registration table. Volunteers: We’re also calling all adventurers-at-heart to lend a hand — we need volunteers to help guide our young explorers from one exciting activity to the next. Please consider helping, VBS just isn’t the same without YOU. Let’s make this the best week of the summer!

SCHOOL

KINGDOM KIDS PRESCHOOL at Southwest MN Christian Schools is open for enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year and we couldn't be more excited! 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 W, Edgerton, or downloaded at our school website, swcschools.org. For more information, call the office at 507-442-6181 or email us at elementary@swcschools.org. If you'd like to tour the school or would like to check out the Preschool area, we’d welcome you to do that as well!

April 13, 2:30 pm: Join us for the **Annual Music Festival** at First CRC of Edgerton. Southwest Christian’s choirs, along with individual and choral groups from area churches, will present selections during this afternoon of praise. Members of the audience will be invited to join the mass choir for the Hallelujah Chorus. An offering will be collected for Southwest Christian High School (sponsored by Circle #12).

COMMUNITY & OTHER ITEMS

Royal Family Kids Camp SWMN needs you! We are in need of more adult volunteers. We can use help in all areas, but we specifically need male adult guides who spend the week one-on-one with a camper, and helpers for crafts & photography (must be at least 16 years old). Check our Facebook page - Royal Family Kids Camp SWMN to find an application, or talk to a director (Shellie Eisma, Nicole Fey, Morgan Schoonhoven or Erin Van Hulzen). THANK YOU for your prayers, monetary support, and encouragement for this mission!

-SWMN Royal Family Kids Camp Team

Advance Date: SW MN Pro-life group will hold their annual **Pro-Life Spring Rally** on Monday, April 14th at 7:00 p.m. at S.W. Christian High School.

All women of the community are invited to the **First Reformed Church Maundy Thursday Gathering** on Thursday, April 17. Coffee and rolls will be served at 9:00am. The program begins at 9:30 am in the church fellowship hall. Our guest speaker this year is Jason Snyder. Jason has been on several medical mission trips to

Niger, South Africa, where he assisted physicians performing cataract surgery for the native people. An offering will be collected for the local Food Shelf.

MIK+ YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY (19-30 year old singles). Saturday April 19 at 6pm in Sioux Center Iowa Bridge of Hope Youth Building (43 2nd Street NE). We will be eating a meal together and studying the book of Numbers. Please RSVP by April 16 to Lee De Groot at 712 470 4244. Invite a friend.

First Christian Reformed Church in Edgerton will be hosting a community **Easter Sunrise Service on Easter Morning**, April 20, beginning at 7:00 a.m. We invite our area church congregations along with visiting family and friends to join us! Following the service, a breakfast will be served in the church’s fellowship hall. We hope many of you will be able to join us.

A Life Saved: We would love for you to join us at American Reformed Church in Luverne MN at 4:00 PM on Sunday, May 4, for an inspiring event and hear how Robin Sertell survived all odds to grow into the talented woman she is today. Robin survived three saline abortion attempts and now travels the world, equipping other survivors to be a voice and share their stories. Robin has written 2 books and addresses the Civic and Social issues surrounding Pro-Life Advocacy. *You are Unique. You are Loved. Your Life has Value. What will you do with the Time God has given you?* A freewill offering will be received for Robin.

Forty Days of Prayer for Synod - Join people from across the denomination and around the world for 40 days of prayer leading up to Synod 2025. Writers of different ages, abilities, backgrounds, and places, from CRC congregations and ministries have shared prayers on the theme, Journey With Jesus. Find resources and sign up at crcna.org/synod/prayer

Kids Corner: Lent: Jesus Loves Me - Check out this week’s Kids Corner devotion “Lent: Jesus Loves Me” at www.kidscorner.net. What does it mean to love like Jesus? Even while on the cross and in his deepest suffering, Jesus prayed for forgiveness for those who hurt him and extended love to a criminal who asked to be remembered (Luke 23:39-43). Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC’s Lent and Easter Collection.

Groundwork: Holy Week: The Week of Jesus' Death - Many formative events for our Christian faith occurred in the last week of Jesus’ journey to the cross. Join Groundwork as we study Matthew 21:1-11, John 13:1-17, 34-35, Matthew 26:26-30, and Matthew 27:32-50 to remember, meditate on, and nurture our faith by once again journeying through Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday with Jesus. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Palm Sunday - Today we remember that Jesus rode into Jerusalem as the crowds sang, “Hosanna! Hosanna!” Imagine being there in the crowd that day. What would you be thinking about or feeling? What could you do today or this week to help bring Jesus’ kingdom of peace here on earth right now? Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

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 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
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: Leland Vanderaa, President
Tim Van Dyke, Vice President (CG #1)
Brent Van Schepen, Clerk (CG #7)
Doug Eisma (CG #6)
Greg Hanenburg (CG #4)
Dennis Kroll (CG #2)
Mark Van Dam (CG #5)
Rob Van Hill (CG #3)
Ron Vander Lugt
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Isaac Odland (CG #2)
Ryan Bridgewater (CG #1)
Kyle Fey, Secretary of Deacons (CG #4)
Dylan Walhof (CG 6)
Mike Fenske (CG #5)
Matt Tinklenberg (CG #3)
Josh Van Essen (CG #7)

Our Helpers

PREACHING Today: AM: Pastor Jack Gray PM: Pastor Marlin Van Schepen
Next Week: AM: Pastor Jack Gray PM: Pastor Jack Gray
ACCOMPANIST Today: AM: Rachel Prins PM: Linda Vanderaa
Next Week: AM: Kendra Van Hill PM: Rachel Prins
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Today: Rose Kroll Next Week: Cal Spronk
CHILDREN’S CHURCH Today: Janet Walhof Next Week: Bonnie De Boer
CHILDREN’S WORSHIP Today: Bonnie De Boer & Sierra Van Dyke
NURSERY Today: AM Infant: Michelle Van Essen, Mara Prins, Logan Van Dyke
Toddler: Tricia Veldkamp, Carson Rozeboom, Maggie Caspersen, JD Vos, Henry Pap
PM: Bonnie De Boer
Next Week AM Infant: Shayla Scholten, Levi Van Essen, Kathryn Moosey
Toddler: Mary Brands, Megan Rylaarsdam, Gentre Kuipers, Brystol Kooiker, Jaelyn Krosschell
PM: Vern & Mina Vander Pol
USHERS Today: Jon Kroll, Justin Prins, Lloyd Prins
Next Week: Wyatt Vos, Randy Pfeifle, Ben Hanenburg
HOST/HOSTESS Today: Donna Hanenburg Next Week: Mary Kreun
SOUND SYSTEM Today: Seth/Huck Next Week: Derek/Denny
VIDEO CAMERA Today: Jon Next Week: Walt
MULTI-MEDIA Today: Willem Next Week: Krista
REFRESHMENTS Today: Carissa Odland, Pam Ossefoort, Darci Pap, Gene & LouAnn Kuipers
Next Week: Lorna Post, Dionne Prins, Tricia Prins, Karen Walhof



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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.