

Bethel Christian Reformed Church
May 3, 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 songs:** *Come People of the Risen King*
Lift High the Name of Jesus
Baptism of Berkley Walhof
Song of response: *Baptized in Water* – PsH 269 (1-3)
 (Children’s sermon for grades 2-4 in the society room.)
Prayer of God’s people
Offering: First Fruits for the General Fund
 (Children’s church (ages 3-5) and children’s worship (grades K-1) dismissed)
 * **Song of preparation:** *Living Waters*
Scripture: Genesis 6:5-22, 7:17-24, 8:15-22, 9:9-13
Message: DESTRUCTION AND RENEWAL
 * **Song of application:** *Nothing But The Blood* – Praise 269 (1-4)
 * **Parting words**
 * **Parting song:** *By the Sea of Crystal* – PsH 620 (1,3)

Evening Worship Service – 6:30 p.m.
 Led by: Pastor Mark Groen

- Prelude**
Welcome
 * **Call to worship**
 * **God’s greeting to his people**
 * **Opening songs:** *Unto God Our Savior* – PsH 96 (1,2,4,6)
Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer – PsH 543 (1-3)
Responsive reading: Psalm 96
Prayer
 * **Song of preparation:** *I Will Be Your God* – LUYH 40 (1-3)
Scripture: Genesis 23:1-20
Message: A CAVE IN MACPELAH
 * **Song of response:** *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* – PsH 573 (1-3)
 * **God’s blessing to his people**
 * **Closing song:** *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* – PsH 573 (4)
 (Your evening offering for the General Fund
 can be put in the offering bags at the sanctuary doors.)

Offering Schedule:

- May 3: First Fruits for the General Fund
- May 10: World Renew
- May 17: KDWC/Bible League
- May 24: Royal Family Kids Camp
- May 31: Hope Haven International

Church Family:

- This Sunday morning, we have the joy of witnessing the baptism of **Berkley Walhof**, daughter of **Dylan and Cassandra Walhof**.
- Please keep **Lorna Post** in your prayers as she undergoes hip surgery on Thursday, May 7.

This Week’s Activities:

- MONDAY:**
 7:00 pm **Council Meeting**..... Council Room
TUESDAY:
 6:00-7:00am **Men’s Bible Study**..... Society Room
THURSDAY:
 8:15 am **Carpool to Legacy Thrift Store** meet at Bethel
 7:00 pm **Community National Day of Prayer Service**..... Bethel
SATURDAY:
 9:00 am **IF:Table** Fellowship Hall
NEXT SUNDAY:
 8:30 am **Prayer Meeting**..... Prayer Room
 9:30 am **Morning Worship Service**..... Bethel
 6:30 pm **Evening Worship Service**..... Bethel

Announcements:

CHURCH

Join us on Thursday, May 7, for a day of volunteering at the Legacy Thrift Store in Worthington. Whether you’re available for the full day or just a few hours, your help is warmly welcomed. Interested in carpooling? Meet at Bethel at 8:15am. Coming on your own? Stop by the store at 419 10th Street, Worthington, anytime you’re able.

Join us for a **Community National Day of Prayer service** on Thursday, May 7 at 7:00 PM at Bethel CRC in Edgerton. This will be a time to come together in prayer for our nation, communities, leaders, and families. All are welcome—please invite others to join us for this meaningful evening of prayer and unity.

Women of Bethel, would you like to be refreshed by some intentional conversation? **IF:Table** is an opportunity to grow in authentic community. Please join us for a time of fellowship and conversation on **Saturday, May 9** at 9:00 am in the church fellowship hall. Come to share, come to listen, or come to do both! The conversations will center around the theme **For Renewing Your Mind** based on Romans 12:2. Everyone is welcome, even if you haven't come before! Brunch and coffee are provided. If you have questions, please contact Darci Van Dyke, Becca Van Schepen, or Katie Van't Hof.

An Evening of Hymns, Praise, and Worship: Mark your calendar for a special evening service on Sunday, May 10, at 6:30 p.m. We will welcome Pastor Steve Zwart from 1st CRC in Sioux Falls, who will lead us in a hymn sing service, celebrating the rich heritage of our faith through song. Refreshments will be served after the service.

Graduate Recognition: We would like to recognize Bethel graduates on Sunday, May 17th. Please email the church office (bethelcreegedgerton@yahoo.com) with the information listed below by May 13 so we can include their information in the bulletin.

- High School Graduates: Plans for after High School
- College & Tech School Graduates: School name, degree, plans for future

Royal Family Kids Camp **NEEDS YOU!** Camp details are coming together quickly! Our camper enrollment is full, but for each camper to attend, we still need a few more volunteers. We need 10 male guides and 3 female guides. If you are 16 or older and available June 1-4 to spend the day and overnight with a

camper, please fill out the online application on Facebook/Instagram, or contact our leadership team. Thank you for your support and continued prayers!

Pulpit Supply:

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| 5/10 AM: Dr. Kyle Dieleman, Dordt | PM: Rev. Steve Zwart |
| 5/17 AM: Mr. Thomas Soodsma | PM: Mr. Thomas Soodsma |
| 5/24 AM: Rev. Randy Raak | PM: Combined at First CRC |
| 5/31 AM: Mr. Thomas Soodsma | PM: Mr. Thomas Soodsma |

VBS Helpers: We’re looking for volunteers to help with VBS June 8–11 from 9:00–11:30am! One of the easiest and most helpful roles is guiding groups of kids from station to station. It requires no prep work, just a willingness to show up and have fun. Grandparents, high school students, parents - anyone can help! Even if you’re only available for a couple of days, we would love to have you. Come be part of a great week sharing God’s love with our kids!

Cadets would like to thank everyone who supported them at the recently held Pancake Supper. After expenses were paid the profit was \$2126.00!

Offering report:

3/22 Royal Family Kids Camp	\$5,150.00
3/29 Mission French Africa	\$5,623.75
4/5 First Fruits	\$65,622.70
4/12 Children of the Promise	\$5,475.00
4/19 ATLAS for Life	\$4,587.65
4/26 GEMS	\$4,213.00

SCHOOL

5-12 High School Spring Pops Concert on Monday, May 11 at 7:00 PM. Join our 5th–12th grade students in the High School gym for a lively mix of music from stage, screen, and radio! Come and enjoy a wide range of songs as we celebrate God’s gift of music.

SWC Calendar of Events

- May 11 5-12 Spring Pops Concert - HS Gym 7:00pm
- May 21 Last Day Of School - Noon Dismissal
- May 22 Graduation 7:15pm
- May 25 Memorial Pancake Breakfast - HS cafeteria 7:30am -10:00am
- May 27 Annual Society Meeting - Elem Gym 7:00pm

Memorial Day pancake breakfast: Southwest MN Christian Circle #11 invites you to their annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast on Monday, May 25 from 7:30-10:00 a.m. at the high school campus - 550 Elizabeth St. In addition to hot pancakes served right off the griddle (gluten free available too) there will be sausages, juice, milk and coffee. Free will donations gratefully accepted.

Help Support the SWC Food Stand! Edgerton's annual Dutch Festival is July 10-12. In an effort to **build camaraderie**, **give back** to the community, and **raise funds**, the SWC Food Stand will be providing a delicious array of locally-raised beef and pork, home-made ice cream, fresh baked pies, bakery buns, and more at prices families can afford. Ways to support this fundraiser include:

- Eating at the Food Stand
- Volunteering at the Food Stand <https://signup.com/go/ZztHPUp>
- Donating to the SWC Parents Club. Here is a link to donate via Venmo (<https://account.venmo.com/u/SWCParentsClub>). Cash or check donations—payable to SWC Parents Club—can also be left in Becca Van Schepen's church mailbox or brought to the elementary or high school office.

Thank you for your ongoing support of SWC Schools! If you can include this QR code instead of the links, that would be great! If not, no problem! **To Donate via Venmo:**



COMMUNITY & OTHER ITEMS

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 ATLAS for Life Always Growing Greenhouse is open! Come enjoy the beauty of God's beautiful handiwork as you look forward to filling those planters and gardens. A great gift idea – an Always Growing Greenhouse gift certificate! The greenhouse is located on the grounds of Hubers Automotive – 105 8th Ave. (next to 8th Ave. Diner and across from Luann's Gas). Thank you for your support!

Kids Corner Devotions: Why Compare When You're Already You? - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Why Compare When You're Already You?" at www.kidscorner.net. God made every kid one-of-a-kind, and that's something to celebrate! When we remember that God loves us just as we are, we can use our special gifts to share His love with others. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the Bible Story coloring pages available on the KC activities page.

Groundwork: How to Live in Christ - Keeping laws and customs won't benefit our salvation at all, but that doesn't mean our actions don't matter. Join Groundwork as we study Galatians 5-6 to examine Paul's description of how we should live in Christ. Together, we'll discuss the Fruits of the Spirit and what grateful Christian living looks like as we follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - This week marks Teacher Appreciation Week in the United States and Canada. One of the most significant glimpses of Jesus' teaching that we have in the Bible can be found in the Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5-7). This week spend some time reading and reflecting on this important message as you sit under the teaching of Jesus. Then think of people in your life who have taught you about Jesus. Send them a quick note of thanks for helping you to learn about God. Brought to you by Thrive: cena.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 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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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)

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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: Pastor Mark Groen

Next Week: AM: Dr. Kyle Dieleman

PM: Pastor Steve Zwart

ACCOMPANIST Today: AM: Lisa Vander Maten

PM: Linda Vanderaa

Next Week: AM: Rachel Prins

PM: Rachel Prins

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Today: Rose Kroll

Next Week: Amber Vos

CHILDREN'S CHURCH Today: Kayla Vande Kamp

Next Week: Larissa Caspersen

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP Today: Rose Kroll & Hannah/Josiah Van Schepen

NURSERY Today: AM Infant: Lori Fey, Eva De Jongh, Henry Pap

Toddler: Shayla Scholten, Jayven Kooiker, Kathryn Moosey,

Sadie Fenske, Palmer Meksavanh

PM: Larissa & Maggie Caspersen, Allison Fenske

Next Week AM Infant: Abbie Fey, Maggie Caspersen, Brooks Fey

Toddler: Maddie Van Essen, Willem Dyk, Gentre Kuipers,

Brystol Kooiker, Emersyn Rozeboom

PM: Devin & Katie Van't Hof

USHERS Today: Wyatt Vos, Randy Pfeifle, Ben Hanenburg

Next Week: Kyle Vos, Tom Remme, Ryan Bos

HOST/HOSTESS Today: Karen Van Schepen

Next Week: Kendra Kuipers

SOUND SYSTEM Today: Jonathan

Next Week: Seth/Huck

VIDEO CAMERA Today: Jon

Next Week: Walt

MULTI-MEDIA Today: Willem

Next Week: Krista

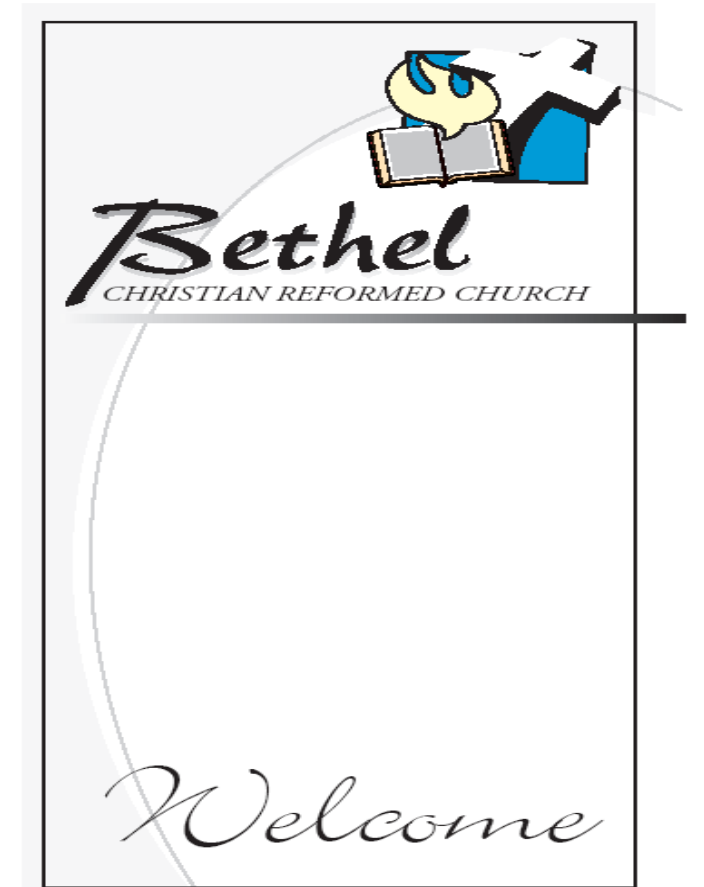
REFRESHMENTS Today: Barb Spronk, Jackie Tinklenberg,

Tricia Tinklenberg, Kyle & Lori Fey

Next Week: Marlene Top, Linda Vanderaa,

Shirley Vanderby, Gene & LouAnn Kuipers

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Kylee – Central Asia

**Worship Guide
and Weekly News**

Morning Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.