

Bethel Christian Reformed Church
August 24, 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 Roger Sparks

- Prelude
Welcome and announcements
Abingdon, Virginia Serve Team Report
* Call to worship
* God’s greeting
* We greet each other
* Opening song: My Heart Is Filled With Thankfulness
Baptism of James Jasper, son of Brevan & Brenna Jasper
Song of response: A Mother’s Prayer sung by Todd & Krista Jasper
(Children’s sermon for grades 2-4 in the society room.)
Prayer of God’s people
Offering: for Bethel’s Radio Ministry on KDWC
(Children’s church (ages 3-5) and children’s worship (grades K-1) dismissed)
* Song of preparation: Wonderful, Merciful Savior
Scripture: Mark 3:1-19
Message: TO DO GOOD AND TO SAVE
* Song of application: O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee – PsH 573 (1-4)
* Parting words
* Parting song: There Is a Redeemer

Evening Worship Service – 6:30 p.m.
Led by: Pastor Roger Sparks

- Prelude
Welcome
Call to Worship
* God’s greeting to his people
* Opening songs: Come, Thou Almighty King – PsH 246 (1-4)
How Firm a Foundation – PsH 500 (1,2,5)
Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 60
Song of response: I Know Not Why God’s Wondrous Grace – PsH 495 (1-3)
Prayer
* Song of preparation: The Church’s One Foundation – PsH 502 (1,2,4)
Scripture: Mark 3:20-35
Message: WARNING AND WELCOME
* Song of response: What Wondrous Love – PsH 379 (1,2,4)
* God’s blessing to his people
* Closing song: What Wondrous Love – PsH 379 (3)
(Your evening offering for Bethel’s Radio Ministry can be put in the offering bags at the sanctuary doors.)

Offering Schedule:
August 24: Bethel’s Radio Ministry on KDWC
August 31: Christian Education Tuition Assistance Fund
September 7: First Fruits for the General Fund

Church Family:

- This Sunday morning, we rejoice in the baptism of James Jasper, son of Brevan and Brenna Jasper. We give thanks to God for the gift of new life and the promise of His grace.
- As a congregation we express our sympathy to Coleen Ver Hey and Mike & Brandi Fenske and family in the passing of their mother and grandmother, Elsie Ver Hey.
- Vern Vis's condition has improved to the point that has been moved back to Sanford Hospital. Pray for continued strengthening for Vern and for wisdom as the doctors determine the best treatment plan going forward.

This Week’s Activities:

WEDNESDAY:
6:30 pm Meal Ministry Meal Prep.....Kitchen
NEXT SUNDAY:
8:30 am Prayer Meeting Prayer Room
9:30 am Morning Worship Service.....Bethel
6:30 pm Evening Worship Service.....Bethel

STEPHEN MINISTRY:
By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.
-John 13:35

Announcements:

CHURCH

Meal Ministry prep on Wednesday, August 27 at 6:30pm. Contact Karen Walhof if you are interested in helping. 507.227.2939

🍷 Mark your calendars! Our Church Picnic is happening at noon on Sunday, September 7th, and everyone’s invited! Stay tuned—more details coming next week!

At their September meeting, council will begin making nominations for elder and deacon. If any congregational members wish to nominate a qualified member, please pass the name along to a current elder or deacon.

Attention Sunday School Teachers: Your teaching materials will be ready for pickup in the Society Room starting August 28th. If you need your materials earlier, feel free to reach out to Janet to make arrangements.

Youth Group Prayer Warriors: We are making plans for the youth group prayer warriors for this coming year. Our hope is that those of you who have participated in the past, will continue with your same youth group member. If it doesn’t work for you this year, please notify Jonathan or Darci Pap. If you had a senior last year, we plan to assign you to an incoming freshman, unless you let us know otherwise. Thank you to all the prayer warriors. Your love, support and prayers are much appreciated!

- Cadet Advance Dates:
- Sept 10 6:30 Orientation Meeting for new 4th grade Cadets and a parent at Bethel CRC Edgerton.
 - Sept 10 7:30 Edgerton Cadet Counselor Planning meeting at Bethel.
 - Sept 24 6:00 Cadet Hot-dog and Games night at Rock River Park
 - Oct 8 6:30 First regular Cadet meeting at Bethel CRC

SCHOOL

SWC Circle #2 invites you to their Labor Day Pancake Breakfast! Come and enjoy delicious, all you can eat, pancakes at the Southwest Christian High School

Cafeteria on Labor Day, September 1, from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Also included at the breakfast is sausage, juice, milk, and coffee. Freewill donation.

Saturday, Sept 13 will be the 8th annual Tractor/UTV Ride taking off at 9:30 from SWC high school. The noon meal will also be served at SWC cafeteria. There will be tours offered at Spronk Seed and Diamond H Acres beginning around 1. For more information or to register, contact Kendra Kuipers at 507-227-0488.

SWC DATES to REMEMBER:
Wednesday, October 1: K-12 Grandparents Day; 12:00 Dismissal
Friday, October 10: HS Fall Concert
Saturday, November 15: Donation Sale
Monday, December 8: 9-12 Christmas Concert
Monday, December 15: K-8 Christmas Concert

COMMUNITY & OTHER ITEMS

Come support Luverne Christian School Society and enjoy a delicious meal of smoked pork loin, baked beans, chips, potato salad, cucumber salad and ice cream on Wednesday, September 3. Serving from 5:30-7:30 at Luverne CRC, free will donation.

The annual golf fundraiser for Luverne Christian School Society is Saturday, Sept 6. As in years past, it is an 18-hole 4-person scramble with door and pin prizes! If you would like to register a team of 4, please call the Luverne Country Club at 507-283-4383. If you would like to participate, but don’t have a full team of four, or if you have any other questions, please reach out to Austin Spronk at 507-227-5988.

The Joan Ringerwole Organ Recital Series presents an organ recital by Marco Den Toom organist, composer, and conductor from Kampen, The Netherlands on September 5, 7:00pm, at the BJ Haan Auditorium at Dordt University.

Mark your calendars for the Bible League International Conference – September 8 & 9, 2025 at Bethel CRC in Sioux Center, IA. Conference will feature keynote speaker Jason Van Ruler, one of the most sought-after therapists. With a biblical foundation, he has spoken on stages to thousands and specializes in topics like trauma, integrity, burnout, and connection. Jennifer Frens and friends will lead meaningful worship. This is hosted by Bible League Volunteer Ambassadors to strengthen the body of Christ and raise funds for providing Scripture to children worldwide. Register at bibleleague.org/tickets or by calling 708-367-8921.

There will be a Red Cross blood drive at the First Reformed Church in Edgerton on Monday, September 15 from 12:30 until 6:30. Please call Betty at 507-227-8416 or fbhuisken@gmail.com to make or confirm an appointment. There is a constant need for blood. Every 2 second someone/somewhere needs blood. Anyone 16 yrs. or older and in good health is able to donate.

Divorced, Separated, Widowed - Beginning Experience of SW MN, a peer ministry support group, is offering a Weekend Retreat that provides an opportunity to help close the door gently on the past and move on with renewed hope and purpose. It will be held at Shetek Lutheran Ministries on October 3rd-5th. Deadline to register is September 26th. Email swmnbe@gmail.com or call/text: Tim L.: 507-530-6379 or Jean: 507-220-0668

The "Rebuilding" Series is also open for registration. This series runs for ten weeks beginning October 6th at 7:00 p.m. at the First Lutheran Church on Church and “A” Street in Marshall, MN. It is designed for those who are past the initial pain of losing a partner and are working to put their lives back together. The support group is open to people of all denominations. Registration will be taken for the first 2 weeks. There is a \$75 fee to cover the cost of materials. If you wish to pre-register or have other questions, contact us at: swmnbe@gmail.com or call: Tim L. 507-530-6379 or Jean 507-220-0668

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - In the book Unsettling Truths, theologian and professor Soong-Chan Rah writes: “Repentance is not just sorrow and confession, it is the turning around of wrong behavior towards right and just action. Repentance from sinful corporate behavior therefore requires systemic change.” Write down how you are going to pair your acts of repentance from “sinful corporate behaviors,” like racism, with acts of systemic change this week. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Kids Corner Devotions: School -- Do It With All Your Might - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion, “School -- Do It With All Your Might” at www.kidscorner.net. A new school year can feel exciting and a little scary, and that’s okay! Whatever you do—learning, helping, or being kind—do your best like you're doing it for God, and he’ll help you along the way. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the Kids Corner Bible Story Podcast Series.

Ride to Renew: Cycle for Change - Join World Renew for the ride of a lifetime from November 1–9, 2025. One hundred riders will cycle through beautiful Florida and raise funds to equip 1,500 farmers with sustainable farming practices. Each rider commits to raising \$3,000, directly supporting 15 global farmers in achieving food security for their families and communities. Let's ride together for a more food-secure future! For more information and to register, visit worldrenew.net/ridetorenew.

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.
Secretary ph: 442-3063 bethelcrccdgerton@yahoo.com
Announcements need to be in by Thursday, 10:00 a.m.
JANITOR: Marv 507-215-7464; Kendra 507-227-0488; mkuipers0809@gmail.com
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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
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Our Helpers

PREACHING Today: AM: Pastor Roger Sparks PM: Pastor Roger Sparks
Next Week: AM: Pastor Bill Vis PM: Pastor Bill Vis
ACCOMPANIST Today: AM: Kendra Van Hill PM: Linda Vanderaa
Next Week: AM: Kendra Van Hill PM: Kendra Van Hill
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Today: Linda Vanderaa Next Week: Greg Dyk
CHILDREN’S CHURCH Today: Leah V, Brenna J Next Week: Katie Van’t Hof
CHILDREN’S WORSHIP Today: Rob Van Hill & Allison/Sadie Fenske
NURSERY Today: AM Infant: Kristi De Boer, Mikah Tinklenberg, Hannah De Jongh
Toddler: Liz De Jongh, Carson Rozeboom, Emma Rylaarsdam,
Boden Rieck, Reuben Vander Pol
PM: Larissa & Maggie Caspersen
Next Week AM Infant: Brandi Fenske, Lauren Van Stelten, Lincoln Fey
Toddler: Abbie Fey, Willem Dyk, Hannah Van Schepen,
JD Vos, Jaelyn Krosschell
PM: Greg & Karen Dyk
USHERS Today: Wyatt Vos, Randy Pfeifle, Ben Hanenburg
Next Week: Kyle Vos, Tom Remme, Ryan Bos
HOST/HOSTESS Today: Vern & Mina Vander Pol Next Week: Karen Van Schepen
SOUND SYSTEM Today: Justin/Denny Next Week: Huck
VIDEO CAMERA Today: Arlin Next Week: Jon
MULTI-MEDIA Today: Spencer Next Week: Willem
REFRESHMENTS Today Cheri Groen, Luann Gunnink,
Donna Hanenburg, Randy & Lisa Pfeifle
Next Week: Emily Hanenburg, Joyce Hanenburg,
Narla Hulstein, Rob & Kendra Van Hill

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Vasya & Maranda Heytsi – Ukraine
Kylee – Central Asia

Worship Guide
and Weekly News

Morning Worship – 9:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.