Bethel Christian Reformed Church
October 25, 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 Steve Bussis

Prelude
Welcome
* **Call to worship**
* **God's greeting**
* **We greet each other**
* **Opening songs:** *I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord* – PsH 169
Christus Victor
Prayer of Confession, Assurance of Pardon, Call to Holy Living
Song of response: *Grace*
(Children's sermon for grades 2-4 in the society room.)
Prayer of God's people
Offering: for Growing Hope Globally
(Children's church (ages 3-5) and children's worship (grades K-1) dismissed)
* **Song of preparation:** *Ancient Words*
Scripture: Joshua 10:40-43, 11:6-23
Message: VICTORY COMPLETED…OR IS IT?
* **Song of response:** *Victory in Jesus*
* **Parting words**
* **Parting song:** *My Friends May You Grow in Grace*

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Evening Worship Service – 6:30 p.m.
Led by: Pastor Steve Bussis

Prelude
Welcome
* **Call to worship**
* **God's greeting**
* **Opening songs:** *Now With Joyful Exultation* – PsH 95
I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous)
Profession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 1
Song of response: *I Am Not My Own*
Prayer
* **Song of preparation:** *How Firm a Foundation* – PsH 544 (1,2,3,5)
Scripture: II Thessalonians 2:13-3:5
Message: STANDING FIRM IN THE LORD
* **Song of response:** *The Solid Rock* – Praise 340 (1,3,4)
* **God's blessing to His people**
* **Closing song:** *Glory Be to the Father* – PsH 635
(Your evening offering for Growing Hope Globally
can be put in the offering bags at the sanctuary doors.)

Offering Schedule:
October 25: Growing Hope Globally
November 1: First Fruits for the General Fund

This Week's Activities:

MONDAY:
7:00 pm **Women's Bible Study** ..... Society Room
TUESDAY:
6:00-7:00am **Men's Bible Study** ..... Society Room
9:00 am **Women's Bible Study** ..... Society Room
WEDNESDAY:
6:30-8:15pm **GEMS** ..... First
6:30-8:30pm **Cadets** ..... Bethel
THURSDAY:
5:35 pm **Carpool to Union Gospel Mission** ..... meet at Bethel
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 for grades 2-8** ..... Classrooms
10:45 am **High School Catechism** ..... YPS Room/Parsonage
6:30 pm **Evening Worship Service** ..... Bethel

Advance dates:

October 29: Union Gospel Mission Chapel Service, Care Group #7
November 19: Congregational Meeting
December 2: Youth Group Spaghetti Supper

Announcements:

CHURCH

October is Pastor Appreciation Month! Join us as we celebrate and honor Pastor Steve & Julie and Pastor Marlin & Karen for their faithful service, spiritual leadership, and heart for our congregation. You can express your gratitude throughout the month with a thoughtful card, kind note, or token of appreciation. Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 25, when we will have a special time of recognition during fellowship time. Baskets will be available for cards and notes. Let's come together to bless those who faithfully shepherd us all year long!

Young Couples: all couples engaged or married up to 10 years are welcome to meet at church tonight at 7:30 pm to watch and discuss the first video of a series on marriage. Pastor Steve and Julie will lead the group, and we would love to see you there.

Care Group #7 will be leading the chapel service at the Union Gospel Mission on Thursday, October 29. Meet at church at 5:30pm to carpool. Questions – contact Jess Van Dyke.

Next Sunday evening we will have a Reformation themed worship service in which we will consider the "5 solas" of the Reformation.

Potluck opportunities: the Bussis family would like to invite families or individuals to join them for potluck meals to be held in the church fellowship hall at approximately 12:00 pm on two Sundays per month. The potlucks are intentionally limited to seven families or individuals so that the Bussis can get to know the congregation in smaller groups. There is a sign-up sheet at the welcome table, and please only sign up for one date to allow everyone to participate.

The Youth Group will be deciding on Serve and Convention in the next few weeks. The Serve sites are listed on the www.thereforego.com website. Convention is July 12-16 in Spokane, WA. Pastor Steve and Julie are planning on going to Convention. You can see more information at www.reformedyouthservices.org/convention. You can also talk to Pastor Steve or Julie if you have questions about Convention. The youth have been encouraged to attend at least one Serve and one Convention while they are in high school.

Don't Spend Thanksgiving Alone! Bethel members are warmly invited to join Nick and Danielle Spronk and family for a Thanksgiving harvest feast at Spronk Bakkerij on Thanksgiving Day at 12:00 PM. Seating is limited. Please RSVP by Sunday, November 22. Drop a note in Nick & Danielle's church mailbox, stop by the bakkerij, or call 507-227-4643.

SCHOOL

You're invited to the All Circles **Fall Soup Supper at Southwest MN Christian High School**! Please join us for warm soups and delicious desserts on November 3 from 5:30pm to 7:00pm. We look forward to seeing you there!!

Circle #11 is launching a brand-new fundraiser, and it's all about Eagle pride. Introducing **Eagle Merch Swap**—your chance to give gently used SWC gear a second life and help support our school at the same time. Clean out those closets and send your Eagle Merch flying our way! We're looking for **SWC merchandise only**—no yearly class shirts, no names on the back, and no holes, tears, or stains. If it's still looking sharp, we'll take it. Donation boxes will be perched in both the elementary and high school offices, ready to collect your pre-loved gear- no later than October 28. Then get excited: you can **shop the refreshed collection** at the **Fall Soup Supper on November 3**. Scoop up some gently used Eagle Merch, show your school spirit, and support Circle 11—all in one swoop.

✨SWC DONATION AUCTION — NOVEMBER 14! ✨
Mark your calendars for a night of **food, fellowship, fun, and supporting Southwest Christian Schools!**
Shine: Together in Faith, Together in Purpose!
We plan to run the auction much like last year, with an **online auction and a combined live auction**. While the format may be the same, **we still need your donations just as much as ever! We are accepting donations NOW!** Please bring your donations to the **Elementary Office by November 4**, or contact the school office by November 4 to **reserve an auction slot for your item**. We look forward to seeing the wonderful variety of auction items our SWC families and supporters bless us with each year! Your generosity and support make this event possible, and we are so thankful for each of you. We hope you'll mark your calendars and plan to join us for this special night. **We can't wait to see you there!**

IMPORTANT DATES at SWC:
November 3 - Soup Supper - 5:30pm - 7:00pm @ SWC High School gym
November 14 - Annual Fall Auction "Shine Your Light" - Supper starting at 4:30 @ SWC Elementary
December 7 - 9-12 Christmas Concert - 7:00 pm at Bethel CRC
December 14 - K-8 Christmas Concert - 7:00 pm at Elementary gym

COMMUNITY & OTHER ITEMS

All are welcome to the **16th Annual Gospel Jubilee** on Sunday, Oct 25, 3:00 PM at American Reformed Church, 304 N Fairview Drive, Luverne. This year will feature The Garms Family's "Night of Encouragement" blending great music, family banter, honest stories, and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Freewill donation will be received.

Prof. Brian Huizinga of the Protestant Reformed Seminary will give the following lecture, '"We Feel it in our Hearts": The Reformed Faith as Experiential,' on Friday October 30, at the Edgerton Protestant Reformed Church beginning at 7:00 P.M.

Ekklesia Prayer Coalition: Everyone is invited to come and take their place in prayer-contending against darkness, standing in truth, praying for righteous leadership and declaring that America will come into alignment with the purposes of God. Come and join 100's of others on Friday night, Oct. 30 from 6:00-8:30 pm at Woodstock Community Church. Questions? Call 507-227-0905.

ATLAS for Life – Pipestone (101 2nd St. NE) invites you to join us for our annual Christmas Rummage and Boutique on Saturday, November 14 from 9:00am-3:00pm. Browse and shop the Christmas rummage items and the Christmas décor boutique, including the highly popular outdoor Christmas planters. Also available to purchase will be fresh caramel rolls and coffee as well as a hot sandwich noon lunch with serving starting at 11:30 am. Your support helps ATLAS bring God's love story full of love, grace, mercy, and hope!

Update on the Volunteers In Mercy Community Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 26) dinner at the Pipestone Christian Reformed Church: If you are able to help, or have volunteered to help, here are the details: We will be serving from 11 AM to 1 PM. 9:00 AM – Food helpers should report, as well as pie cutters. 10:45 AM – Servers, hosts/hostesses, and table "refillers" should report. 12:30-1 PM: Clean-up crew should report. All volunteers should enter through the east side kitchen door as the glass entry doors will be locked until 11 AM. Look for a sign on the door. Please send a text message to Shelli DeRuyter at 507-820-1425 and let her know the time you can arrive and the position you would like to fill (for example: Jane Doe can serve mashed potatoes from 11-12:30). Thank you for your help!

Kids Corner Devotions: Just Be With God - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Just Be With God" at www.kidscorner.net. In 1 Kings 19, the prophet Elijah felt scared and alone. He looked for God in a big wind, an earthquake, and a fire, but God wasn't in those loud things. Then Elijah felt a gentle breeze (1 Kings 19:12) and knew God was speaking. God often speaks in the quiet. Check out the new Kids Corner Devotions app at https://kidscorner.net/app

Groundwork: Prayer and Discerning God's Will - God invites his people to communicate with him through prayer, a foundational discipline in the Christian life. Join Groundwork as we study 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 16, Philippians 4:4-7, James 5:13-16, Psalm 143:7-10, Psalm 25:4-9, and Matthew 26:36-46 to understand how consistent prayer practice helps us listen to God's voice and discern his will for our lives. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip: The Building Blocks of Faith are four statements that, when they become increasingly true for a person, indicate that his or her faith is growing: I belong to Jesus and to his body, the church. I know and understand the story of God's faithfulness, of which I am a part. I have hope, through Christ, in all of God's promises. I am called to work in God's kingdom, and I am equipped to do that work. What opportunities do the people in your household have to grow in each of these ways? For more on the Building Blocks check out the toolkit at crcna.org/FaithFormation/toolkits. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) - Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) is accepting applications for the upcoming weekend at Maurice Reformed Church in Maurice, Iowa. TEC is an interdenominational three-day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. The next TEC is November 20-22, 2026. If you would like to learn more about TEC or register, please visit www.TriStateTEC.org or email TriStateTEC@gmail.com. The cost is $50 and includes a t-shirt & other special gifts. Scholarships are available upon request.

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: 442-3063 bethelcrcedgerton@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:
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 Steve Bussis PM: Pastor Steve Bussis
Next Week: AM: Pastor Steve Bussis PM: Pastor Steve Bussis
ACCOMPANIST Today: AM: Kendra Van Hill PM: Kendra Van Hill
Next Week: AM: PM:
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Today: Todd Jasper Next Week: Pastor Steve
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Today: Katie Van't Hof Next Week: Bonnie De Boer
CHILDREN'S WORSHIP Today: Julie Vander Pol & Sophie/Shelby Van Essen
NURSERY Today:AM Infant: Lori Fey, Livia Fey, Malcolm Vander Pol
Toddler: Brianna Bridgewater, Xavier Meksavanh, Sadie Fenske, Job Masselink, Remington Hanenburg
PM: Larissa & Maggie Caspersen
Next Week AM Infant: Ruth Kooiker, Maya Krosschell, Anna Bussis
Toddler: Abby Galvin, Mara Prins, Jack De Jongh, JD Vos, Scarlett Van Essen
PM: Tom & Arla Bouma
USHERS Today: Kyle Vos, Tom Remme, Ryan Bos
Next Week: Mike Fenske, Isaac Ossefoort, Mason Van Essen
HOST/HOSTESS Today: Beth Van Dyke Next Week: Vern & Mina Vander Pol
SOUND SYSTEM Today: Justin/Denny Next Week: Jonathan
VIDEO CAMERA Today: Jon Next Week: Walt
MULTI-MEDIA Today: Willem Next Week: Krista
REFRESHMENTS Today: Tricia Tinklenberg, Marlene Top, Linda Vanderaa, Gene & LouAnn Kuipers
Next Week: Shirley Vanderby, Kathy Vander Lugt, Mina Vander Pol, Karen Walhof

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Cornerstone Prison Church - South Dakota
Children of the Promise – Haiti
Vasya & Maranda Heytsi – Ukraine
B&K – West Asia

Worship Guide and Weekly News

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