### Bethel Christian Reformed Church October 26, 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 Bill Vis

Prelude

Welcome and announcements

- \* Call to worship
- \* God's greeting
- \* We greet each other
- **Opening songs:** In Christ Alone

Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death

Confession/assurance of pardon

**Song of response:** How Deep the Father's Love for Us (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: As the Deer / More Precious Than Silver

Scripture: Matthew 13:44-50 Message: A CALCULATED RISK

- \* Song of application: All I Once Held Dear (Knowing You)
- \* Parting words
- \* Parting song: You Are My All in All

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### 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: Come, All You People, Praise Our God PsH 242 (1-3)

  Blessed Assurance PsH 490 (1-3)

**Responsive reading** 

**Song of response:** When Peace Like a River – PsH 489 (1-3)

Prayer

\* Song of preparation: Faith Is the Victory – Praise 459 (1-3)

Scripture: Joshua 2:1-24

Message: THE LIFE OF YOUR DREAMS

- \* Song of response: Beneath the Cross LUYH 825 (1-3)
- \* God's blessing to his people
- \* Closing song: When Peace Like a River PsH 489 (4)

(Your evening offering for Growing Hope Globally can be put in the offering bags at the sanctuary doors.)

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### **Offering Schedule:**

October 26: Growing Hope Globally

November 2: First Fruits for the General Fund

# Church Family:

- Congratulations to **Jazlynn Prins and Logan Dykstra** who were married on Friday, October 17. May God richly bless them as they begin this new chapter, and may He be glorified in their marriage.
- Please remember our members who may be experiencing limited mobility and reside in skilled care facilities, assisted living communities, or independent apartments. A prayer, card, phone call, or visit can brighten their day and bring comfort and joy. Evie Mulder and Fran Bouma live in Edgebrook Apartments. Rose Vanden Bosch, Marilyn Jasper, Mayme Spronk, Rena Tinklenberg, Muriel Walhof, and Vonnie Walhof live in Edgebrook Assisted Living. Jo Bouma, Chuck Top, Elvira Corbin, Elaine Petersen, Tressa Ryswyk, and Vern Vis are in Edgebrook Care Center. Gert De Jongh lives in Ridgeview Estates in Pipestone. Laurie Vanden Bosch lives in Adina Place in Jasper. Harriet Hanenburg lives in Sunrise Retirement Community Apartments in Sioux City.

#### This Week's Activities:

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<b>MONDAY:</b>		
	Women's Bible Study	Society Room
TUESDAY:		
9:00 am	Women's Bible Study	Society Room
WEDNESDAY:		
9:30 am	Coffee Break/Story Hour	First CRC
THURSDAY	Y:	
5:40 pm	<b>Union Gospel Mission Chapel Service</b>	carpool from Bethel
SATURDAY		
9:00 am	IF:Table	Fellowship Hall
NEXT SUNDAY:		
8:30 am	Prayer Meeting	Prayer Room
9:30 am	Morning Worship Service	
10:45 am	Sunday School for grades 2-8	Classrooms
12:00 pm	Potluck Lunch followed by Q & A time	Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm	Evening Worship Service	Bethel

### Advance Dates:

November 19: YPS Spaghetti Supper November 20: Congregational Meeting November 27: Thanksgiving Day Service



### **STEPHEN MINISTRY:**

If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? -1 John 3:17

#### Announcements:

# **CHURCH**

High School Catechism: Grades 9/10 and 11/12 meet this Sunday, October 26.

Union Gospel Mission Care Group 3: Join us Thursday, October 30 as our Care Group leads worship at the Union Gospel Mission. Pastor Bill will share a short message, and we'll sing a few songs together. Meet at Bethel at 5:40 PM to carpool, or join us directly at the Mission — the service begins at 7:00 PM. Come share in this meaningful time of worship and encouragement!

**Next Sunday, November 2,** Pastor Steve Bussis will be leading our morning and evening services. **Following the morning service,** we invite the congregation to join us for a POTLUCK LUNCH AT NOON in the fellowship hall. Meat on buns, beverages, plates, and utensils will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. After lunch, there will be a Q&A session with Pastor Steve and his wife Julie. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know them better and hear their heart for ministry. We look forward to seeing you there!

Notice the Change of Date! Women of Bethel, would you like to be refreshed by some intentional conversation? <u>IF:Table</u> is an opportunity to grow in authentic community. Please join us for a time of fellowship and conversation on **Saturday**, November 1 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 Promises of God based on Deuteronomy 7:9. 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.

**YPS Rake & Run:** The Youth Group will be doing their annual rake & run on Wednesday, November 5 (weather permitting). Congregation: If you have been on the list in the past, you will automatically be included again this year. If you haven't had the young people rake for you before and would like to be added to their list, please contact the church office by November 3.

**Youth Group Parents:** There is a sign-up sheet on the welcome center for Serve. Please sign up your child by November 2 if they plan to go on serve next summer.

We wish to thank the members of Bethel for all the various expressions of appreciation and encouragement. We are grateful to serve alongside you as together we worship and serve God. -Pastor Bill and Sandy, Pastor Marlin & Karen

#### **SCHOOL**

The Southwest MN Christian High School Circles invite you to their annual **Fall Soup and Dessert Supper** on Tuesday, November 4 at Southwest Christian High School. Serving time is 5:30 - 7:30 pm. Menu choices include chili, cheesy vegetable, pea and chicken rice soups, BBQ and desserts. Freewill donations will be gratefully accepted.

Please join us November 7 & 8 at 7:00 p.m. for the SWC Fall Play: *Return of the Script* and Fine Arts Night! There are two evenings celebrating creativity and performance. There are no advanced tickets for sale. Tickets will be available at the door the night of the event. Adults \$7 and Students \$5.

- Friday, November 7 The evening features the production of *Return of the Script*.
- Saturday, November 8 Enjoy the Den Ouden Readings, student art displays, dessert, the production of *Return of the Script*, and additional special presentations.

About the Play: *Return of the Script* --Miss Walters's orderly life unravels after she makes a simple but serious mistake: forgetting to return a perusal script. Now pursued across planes, trains, and automobiles by two determined agents of the international conglomerate Musical Theater Global—one of whom has the curious ability to converse with birds—Miss Walters must locate and return the script before time runs out. This fast-paced, madcap comedy delivers an unexpected reminder: always read the fine print.

**SWC DONATION SALE** will be Saturday, November 15. Mark your calendars for a night of food, fellowship, and fun, all while supporting Southwest Christian Schools! Even though we are changing things up a little this year with an online auction and a live auction, we still need your donations just the same as we always have! We are accepting donations for the sale NOW! Please bring your donations to the elementary office by November 5 or contact the school office by November 5 to reserve an auction slot for your item! We look forward to receiving the wonderful variety of auction items you bless us with each year and thank you for your generosity and support! Together in Faith, Together in Purpose.

### **SWC DATES to REMEMBER:**

Saturday, November 15: Donation Sale Monday, December 8: 9-12 Christmas Concert Monday, December 15: K-8 Christmas Concert

#### **COMMUNITY & OTHER ITEMS**

All are invited to the 15th annual Gospel Jubilee featuring The Benson Family Singers on Sunday, October 26, 3 PM, at American Reformed Church, Luverne, MN. The Benson Family Singers are a talented family music group from Faribault, Minnesota, known for their unique blend of barbershop, bluegrass, and gospel music featuring a mix of humor and heartfelt messages, aiming to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ through their music. Freewill offering will be received.

Edgerton Food Shelf: The Edgerton Food Shelf is seeking donations to support local families. Please bring food, personal care items, or monetary gifts to First Reformed Church (checks payable to *Edgerton Food Shelf*). Items always needed: peanut butter, jelly, mac & cheese, cereal, pancake mix, syrup, canned vegetables or fruit, body wash, toilet paper, and detergent. They are also collecting Thanksgiving items: boxed stuffing, cranberry sauce, instant potatoes, and frozen pies by November 12. If you have any questions, please contact Art & Sandy Menning, Shar Miedema, Brenda Kooi, Mary Kreun, or Lisa Pfeifle.

### MIK+ Post High Young Adult (18-30 year old singles):

- Saturday, Nov 1 (6pm) We will be enjoying a meal together and then "shopping" for our Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Location TBD.
- Saturday, Nov 15 (6pm) Bible Study at Inwood Christian Reformed Church (Ephesians: Your Place in God's Plan by Richard Coekin). NO PREP WORK NECESSARY. We will be sharing a Thanksgiving Meal together and then dig into "Ephesians 2 New Life, New People."
- Saturday, Dec 6 (3pm)- Caroling around Edgerton MN. After caroling we will enjoy soup, rolls, and hot chocolate. We will finish our night with a white elephant gift exchange. Updated info will be shared as we get closer to the event.
- For more info and to RSVP for any of these events, contact Lee at 712-470-4244.

Hospice of Murray County will hold a bereavement group for adults at the Hospice of Murray County office in Slayton. It is 6 sessions, on Tuesdays from 4 pm-5:30pm. The Winter group will begin on Tuesday, November 11th and continue through Tuesday, December 16th, 2025. There is no cost for the support group as it is sponsored by Hospice of Murray County. Pre-registration is appreciated so materials can be put together. You can pre-register by calling the Hospice office at 507-836-8114 by Friday, November 7. This bereavement group is not just for family members served by hospice, but all adults who have lost a loved one.

The ATLAS for Life Christmas Rummage and Boutique will be held on Saturday, November 15. Please mark your calendar, and if you have a few Christmas items to donate to our fundraiser, please drop off donations at the ATLAS office (101 2nd St. NE - Pipestone) on Tuesdays or Thursdays.

As we enter the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons, World Renew's Gift Catalog is a meaningful way to share Christ's love with those in need. From a goat to disaster recovery supplies, each gift brings hope and makes a lasting difference for families around the world. Explore the catalog at www.worldrenew.net/gift-catalog.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Reformation Sunday - The Reformers emphasized that the Bible is our authority in matters of faith and life (sola scriptura). Ask someone whose faith you admire to share with you how God's Word helps guide their decisions and their view of the world. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Kids Corner Devotions: God's Never-Changing Love - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "God's Never-Changing Love" at www.kidscorner.net. Change can be confusing, but just like Paul trusted God's love through every adventure and challenge, we can too! No matter what happens around us, God's love never changes, and he's always with us. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like our video Bible study "God's Big Story".

Groundwork: Your Ouestions about the Triune God - Let's explore your questions about the Trinity together. Study Deuteronomy 6:4, Matthew 28:16-20, 1 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 1 Corinthians 15:24-28, Acts 8:14-16, and John 17:20-23 with Groundwork to gain a deeper understanding of the nature of our Triune God and how our belief in the Triune God influences our worship and the sacrament of baptism. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

# 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

**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 bethelcrcedgerton@yahoo.com

Announcements need to be in by Thursday, 10:00 a.m.

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K101 (101.1FM), KLOH (1050AM), KNWC (96.5FM), KELOLAND TV

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Ron Vander Lugt

# Our Helpers

**PREACHING** Today: AM: Pastor Bill Vis

PM: Pastor Bill Vis Next Week: AM: Pastor Steve Bussis PM: Pastor Steve Bussis

ACCOMPANIST Today: AM: Rachel Prins Next Week: AM: Michelle Moosey

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Today: Luke Drooger Next Week: Matt Vande Kamp

CHILDREN'S CHURCH Today: Janet Walhof Next Week: Kendra Kuipers

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP Today: Julie Vander Pol & Sophie/Shelby Van Essen

PM: Rachel Prins

PM: Michelle Moosey

NURSERY Today: AM Infant: Shayla Scholten, Emam Rylaarsdam, Reuben Vander Pol Toddler: Lori Fey, Micah Sas, Emma Odland,

Sophie Van Essen, Hudson Van Dyke

PM: Vern & Mina Vander Pol

Next Week AM Infant: Emily Hanenburg, Livia Fey, Brystol Kooiker

Toddler: Amy Hanson, Jonah Uilk, Gentre Kuipers,

Josiah Van Schepen, Ellyse Van Dyke PM: Diane Spronk, Amelia Van't Hof

**USHERS** Today: Arly Van't Hof, Greg Dyk, Nick Spronk

Next Week: Connor Van Hill, Jesse Kooiker, Dan Hanson

HOST/HOSTESS Today: Mary Kreun Next Week: Vern & Mina Vander Pol

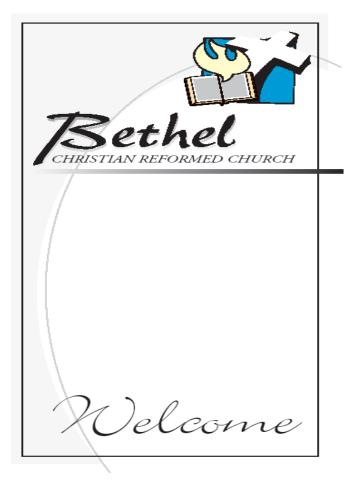
Next Week: Jonathan SOUND SYSTEM Today: Justin/Denny VIDEO CAMERA Today: Brent Next Week: Arlin MULTI-MEDIA Today: Dan Next Week: Spencer **REFRESHMENTS** Today: Chanda Rozeboom, Melissa Rylaarsdam,

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# Worship Guide and Weekly News

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