Bethel Christian Reformed Church
November 8, 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:** *Psalm 150 (Praise the Lord)*
Crown Him with Many Crowns – PsH 410
Prayer of Confession, Assurance of Pardon, Lord's Supper Preparatory
Song of response: *The Battle and the Blessing*
(Children's sermon for grades 2-4 in the society room.)
Prayer of God's people
Offering for B&K in West Asia
(Children's church (ages 3-5) and children's worship (grades K-1) dismissed)
* **Song of preparation:** *By Faith*
Scripture: Joshua 14:6-15, 17:12-18
Message: CLAIMING WHAT IS PROMISED
* **Song of response:** *How Great is Our God/How Great Thou Art*
* **Parting words**
* **Parting song:** *How Great Thou Art* – verse 3

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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:** *I Will Extol You, O My God* – PsH 185
This Is My Father's World – PsH 436
Profession of Faith: Apostle's Creed
Song of response: *Wonderful Merciful Savior*
Prayer
* **Song of preparation***: Not What My Hands Have Done* – PsH 260
Scripture: II Thessalonians 3:6-18
Message: EARNING AND RECEIVING
* **Song of response:** *Jesus Paid it All* – Praise 219
* **God's blessing to His people**
* **Closing song:** *We Receive Your Blessing*
(Your evening offering for B&K in West Asia
can be put in the offering bags at the sanctuary doors.)

Offering Schedule:
November 8: B&K in West Asia
November 15: Resonate Global Mission; Communion Thank Offering: Food Shelf
November 22: Life Wise Academy
Thanksgiving Day: Union Gospel Mission
November 29: Christian Education Tuition Assistance Fund

Church Family:

- Next Sunday morning we will be privileged to witness the baptism of **Penelope Pfeifle**, daughter of **Nate and Emma Pfeifle.**
- The Council was privileged to hear the profession of faith of **Willem Dyk, Parker Fey, and Mara Prins** at their meeting this past Monday. We give thanks to the Lord and look forward to their public profession of faith in an upcoming service.
- Give thanks with **Phou and Tiffany Meksavanh** as their adoption of **Logan** was recently finalized. May the Lord bless Logan and the Meksavanh family.
- Pray for **Del and Faye Hulstein** as Del's sister, Karon Blom, passed away on Tuesday, November 3. Pray for the Lord to comfort the Hulstein family in this time of sorrow.
- Pray for **Cal and Cheri Groen** and family as they grieve the loss of Cal's brother-in-law Le Tinklenberg, who passed away last Sunday, November 1. Pray for the Lord to comfort the family in this time of sorrow.
- Pray for **Joan Pool, Mike Vander Pol**, and other family members of Pier De Boer, who passed away in Michigan on October 30. Pray for the Lord to comfort the family in this time of sorrow.
- Pray for **Todd Jasper** as he will have hip replacement surgery this coming Wednesday, November 11. Pray for the Lord to bless the surgery and give Todd healing in recovery.
- At her request, the membership of **Madelyn (Rozeboom) Hendel** has been transferred to the American Reformed Church of Luverne. May God bless her in her new church home.

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:
9:30 am **Coffee Break/Story Hour** ..... First CRC
6:30-8:15pm **GEMS** ..... First CRC
6:30-8:30pm **Cadets** ..... Bethel
SATURDAY:
9:00 am **IF:Table** ..... Paula Van Dam's Home
NEXT SUNDAY:
8:30 am **Prayer Meeting** ..... Prayer Room
9:30 am **Morning Worship Service** ..... Bethel
10:45 am **Christmas Program Practice** ..... Sanctuary
6:30 pm **Evening Worship Service** ..... Bethel

Advance dates:

November 19: Congregational Meeting
December 2: Youth Group Spaghetti Supper
December 6: Christmas Program (AM Service)

Announcements:

CHURCH

Next Sunday morning we will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

College Care Packages: The Enfolding Ministry is again providing care packages for our 40 (yes, 40!) college age single young adults! We encourage you to check out the table in the narthex, and drop off items, as well as fill out a personal card or two for them! Some ideas: candy bars, snacks, gum, microwave Mac and cheese or popcorn, gift cards for coffee, dried fruit, etc. Deadline for items is Sunday, Nov 22. Questions? Contact Michelle Moosey (351-9562) or Lisa Vander Maten (227-0270).

Women of Bethel, are you looking for an opportunity to connect with other women in meaningful conversations? **IF:Table** is an opportunity to do just that! Please join us for a time of connection and conversation at 9:00 am on Saturday, Nov. 14 **at Paula Van Dam's home, 2279 200th Avenue (please note change of location).** The conversations will center around the theme For the Giver, based on James 1:17 and other verses. Everyone is welcome, even if you haven't come before. And feel free to invite a friend, regardless of whether they attend Bethel or not. Brunch and coffee are provided. https://www.ifgathering.com/iftable/

Bethel CRC's annual congregational meeting will be held on Thursday, Nov. 19, at 7:00pm. The following men have been nominated for the office of Elder: Elliot De Jongh, Eric Sas, Huck Tinklenberg, Terry Tinklenberg, Jarrod Uilk, Arlin Van't Hof, and Jon Walhof. The following men have been nominated for the office of Deacon: Ben Hanenburg, Andy Kooiker, Justin Prins, Travis Rieck, Mason Van Essen, Damon Vander Maten, Levi Vander Woude, and Bryce Veldkamp. Absentee ballots are available from the church office.

November Council Meeting Notes
- The council spent time reading scripture, singing, and prayer.
- To further their understanding of the CRCNA the council read and discussed Church Order Articles 56-60.
- The deacons presented the proposed 2027 budget and the council approved it for the November congregational meeting.
- 3 young people professed their faith before the council.

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.

Don't forget about Bethel's Operation Christmas Child shoebox collection. It's so easy – just four simple steps: 1) grab a shoebox from the narthex; 2) pick a label and choose boy/girl and age range; 3) fill with gifts and return to church (gift suggestions are on the flyer); and most importantly 4) pray without ceasing (1 Thess. 5:17) for:
- the child who will receive your shoebox gift.
- their family to also be receptive to the Good News of Jesus Christ.
- the pastor of the church who delivers your shoebox gift.
- their community to be transformed by the Gospel.

Thank you very much for all the prayers, cards, visits, food, and flowers during my rehab for my broken arm. Also, thank you to Pastor Bussis and Pastor Van Schepen for all their visits. It is wonderful to have such a caring congregation.
-Kim & John Gunnink

Thank you for all the various expressions of appreciation and encouragement received from so many members of Bethel. It is a joy to serve God and the Bethel CRC family. *-Pastor Steve and Julie, Pastor Marlin and Karen*

SCHOOL

SWC Fall Auction is this week! We're excited to invite you to a fun evening of fellowship, food, and support for SWC! Our goal this year is to raise $198,000, and we can't do it without our wonderful supporters. Even if you can't make it to the live auction, you can still participate! The online auction featuring a great variety of items to bid on opens Monday, November 9 and concludes Saturday evening. Have you registered yet? It's quick and easy! https://swc2026auction.cbo.io Browse the items, find your favorites, and get ready to start bidding November 9! Then, join us in person on Saturday, November 14:
- 4:00 pm – Online auction item viewing begins
- 4:30-6:15 pm - Grilled bacon cheeseburgers and fixings, cowboy beans, chips and homemade bars! Freewill donation.
- 6:30 pm – Live auction begins (combined men's & women's auction)

We thank you in advance for taking this opportunity to especially bless SWC Schools with your donations, along with your financial and prayerful support through this once-a-year Fall Auction.

IMPORTANT DATES at SWC:
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

Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life Fall Rally will be held Monday, November 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the Pizza Ranch in Pipestone, Mn. (108 W. Main St.). Cathy Blaeser, co-executive director of MCCL, from St. Paul, will share about what the November 3rd election results will mean for Minnesota & how to move forward, plus other important issues.

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!

There will be a **Red Cross blood drive** at the First Reformed Church in Edgerton on Monday, November 16 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 seconds someone/somewhere in the U.S.A. needs blood. Only 2% of Americans donate blood. If you are 16 years (with parental consent) or older and in good health, you are able to donate.

Edgerton Food Shelf: "Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!" Philippians 4:4 - The Edgerton Food Shelf continues to bless around 100–140 individuals each month, serving families on the third Saturday morning at First Reformed Church. Along with our regular distribution of canned goods, peanut butter, jelly, applesauce, hamburger, cereal, milk, bread, margarine, mac & cheese, and toilet paper, we will also be providing turkeys on Saturday, November 21, and hams on Saturday, December 19, to help families during the holiday season.
If you know of someone who could benefit from this ministry, please contact Shar Miedema (507) 820-0225, Brenda Kooi (507) 227-5174 or Sandy Menning (507) 215-4030.

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!

Thrive Faith Formation Tip: "Wondering questions" are an excellent way to engage kids (and people of all ages!) with Scripture. For example, after you read the creation story, ask open-ended questions like "I wonder what it looked like when God created the stars?" "I wonder what it would be like if there were no predators in our world?" "I wonder what you would feel like if you were the first person in God's creation?" Take some time to read a favorite Bible passage this week, asking wondering questions to explore the text in a new way.

Kids Corner Devotions: When Things Go Wrong - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "When Things Go Wrong" at www.kidscorner.net. Have you ever made a big mistake? Have you ever said mean things to yourself? Sometimes we try our hardest, but things still don't turn out the way we want. Colossians 3:12 reminds us of how much God loves us. As his children, God calls us to be gentle, kind, humble, meek, and patient. And that's not just toward other people. It's also toward ourselves. Check out the new Kids Corner Devotions app at https://kidscorner.net/app

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.
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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)
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DEACONS:
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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: Michelle Moosey PM: Michelle Moosey
Next Week: AM: Rachel Prins PM: Linda Vanderaa
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Today: Luke Drooger Next Week: Matt Vande Kamp
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Today: Becca Van Schepen Next Week: Carissa Odland
CHILDREN'S WORSHIP Today: Cal Spronk & Brystol Kooiker
NURSERY Today:AM Infant: Abbie Fey, Gentre Kuipers, Willa Veldkamp
Toddler: Liz De Jongh, Hannah Uilk, Boden Rieck, Jayden Brands, Palmer Meksavanh
PM: Devin & Katie Van't Hof
Next Week AM Infant: Rose Kroll, Emma Rylaarsdam, Porter Van Dyke
Toddler: Nicole Fey, Levi Van Essen, Brystol Kooiker, Brooks Fey, Hudson Van Dyke
PM: Greg & Karen Dyk
USHERS Today: Arly Van't Hof, Greg Dyk, Nick Spronk
Next Week: Connor Van Hill, Jesse Kooiker, Dan Hanson
HOST/HOSTESS Today: Karen Van Schepen Next Week: Kendra Kuipers
SOUND SYSTEM Today: Seth/Huck Next Week: Derek/Denny
VIDEO CAMERA Today: Cal Next Week: AJ
MULTI-MEDIA Today: Kyle Next Week: Dan
REFRESHMENTS Today: Judi Vander Top, Alanna Vander Top, Paula Van Dam, Randy & Lisa Pfeifle
Next Week: Beth Van Dyke, Darci Van Dyke, Lois Van Dyke, Chris & Michelle Moosey

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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.