

Bethel Christian Reformed Church
September 22, 2024

Welcome to worship at Bethel! We are thankful that 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. After the morning service you are invited to join us 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:** *God the Uncreated One*
Oh, How Good It Is

Confession/assurance of pardon

Song of response: *Love Through Me*

(Children's sermon for grades 2-4 in the society room.)

Prayer of God's people

Offering for Bethel's Radio Ministry

* **Song of preparation:** *Bind Us Together*

(Children's church (ages 3-5) and children's worship (grades K-1) dismissed)

Scripture: James 5:19-20

Message: CONCERNED FELLOWSHIP

* **Song of application:** *Purify My Heart*

* **Parting words**

* **Parting song:** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* – PsH 315 (1,3)

Evening Worship Service – 6:30 p.m.
Led by: Pastor Bill Vis

Prelude

Welcome

* **God's greeting to His people**

* **Opening songs:** *Come, All Who Fear the Lord God* – PsH 240 (1-3)
Take My Life and Let It Be – PsH 288 (1,4,5,6)

Responsive reading

Song of response: *For Such a Time as This*

Prayer

* **Song of preparation:** *We Are An Offering*

Scripture: Acts 4:32-35

Message: MAKE A DIFFERENCE: Offer Yourself

* **Song of response:** *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love* – PsH 601

* **God's blessing to his people**

* **Closing song:** *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service* – PsH 603 (1,4)

(Your evening offering for Bethel's Radio Ministry can be put in the collection bags at the sanctuary doors.)

Offering Schedule:

September 22: Bethel's Radio Ministry on KDWC

September 29: Christian Education Tuition Assistance Fund

October 6: First Fruits (General Fund)

Church Family:

- As a congregation we express our sympathy to **Del & Faye Hulstein** in the passing of their brother-in-law, Harold Van Surksun.
- **Mayme Spronk** has been released from the hospital and is recuperating at Edgebrook Care Center. Pray for strength and recovery.
- Please pray for **Ron Krosschell** who will be having back surgery on Tuesday, September 24.
- Please pray for **Cheri Groen** who will have knee replacement surgery on Thursday, September 26.

This Week's Activities:

MONDAY:

7:00 pm **Elders Meeting**..... Council Room

7:00 pm **Deacons Meeting**Deacons Room

WEDNESDAY:

6:00 pm **Cadet Kickoff**Rock River Park

6:30-8:15 pm **GEMS**..... First CRC

THURSDAY:

5:30 pm **Friendship Picnic**.....Rock River Park

NEXT SUNDAY:

8:30 am **Prayer Meeting**..... Prayer Room

9:30 am **Morning Worship Service** Bethel

10:45 am **Sunday School** – grades 2-8.....Classrooms

6:30 pm **Evening Worship Service** Bethel



STEPHEN MINISTRY:

Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone. -Colossians 4:6

Advance Dates:

September 25: 6:00 Cadet Hot-dog and Games night at Rock River Park

October 9: 6:30 First regular Cadet meeting at Bethel CRC

Announcements:

CHURCH

Cadet Kickoff: Cadets and their families are invited to hot-dog roast and games Wednesday evening, Sept 25, at the Rock River Park. Bring roasting sticks, everything else provided. Cadets need not wear Cadet shirts. We will begin at 6 with Cadet Assembly and devotions, followed with supper for parents and siblings while the cadets play some games. The Cadets will eat after they are finished with games.

Friendship Picnic: Thursday, September 26, 5:30pm @ the Rock River Park shelter house.

Sunday School Christmas Program: Planning is underway for this year's Christmas program, Sunday morning, December 8th. Volunteers are especially needed to *lead & co-lead* the program. Anyone can volunteer – men, women, young adults or high school students. The Worship committee will have the program & music picked out as well as additional helpers & support. Practices are during the Sunday School hour. There are no evening or Saturday practices. The program is typically about 20 minutes long during the morning service. If you are at all interested in helping out with the program in any way or have questions, please get in touch with Tricia Prins (605-988-4665), Tom Bouma (605-370-9165), or Kendra Van Hill (507-995-4372).

COMMUNITY & OTHER ITEMS

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Coffee Break Ministry is looking for volunteers to help out in the nursery. Would you be willing to help and give young mothers the opportunity to study God's word? Coffee Break meets on Wednesday mornings 9:30 a.m. at First CRC in Edgerton. The schedule is flexible. You can volunteer weekly, twice a month or once a month. Please contact Thea Nykamp (507-227-9513)

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 4-6th. Deadline to register is September 27th. Email swmnbe@gmail.com or call/text: Tim L.: 507-530-6379, MaryAnn S: 507-828-2866, or Jean: 507-220-0668

The "Rebuilding" Series is also open for registration. This series runs for ten weeks beginning October 7th 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, MaryAnn S 507-828-2866, or Jean 507-220-0668

Kids Corner: Questions Show Care - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Why do you think Jesus asked people all these questions? What did he want to find out? Maybe what they thought, or what they wanted, or what they believed? Why was Jesus so curious? Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the Bible Story Podcast The Woman at the Well.

Groundwork: Dry Bones And God's Promises Of Restoration - Have you ever felt so hopeless that anything and everything remotely good seems impossible and out of reach? Join Groundwork as we study the hope filled imagery in Ezekiel 37 and 47 to remember God's great love for his people, how seriously he takes his promises, and how deeply we can trust that one day he will fully restore us too. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - One way we can participate in the mission of God is by living justly. To live justly is to pray and stand up for people who are mistreated. In your school, workplace, neighborhood, or community, who is not being treated fairly? What can you do to advocate for justice for them? Ask God to show you where there is injustice in your community and how you can support people who are being wronged. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

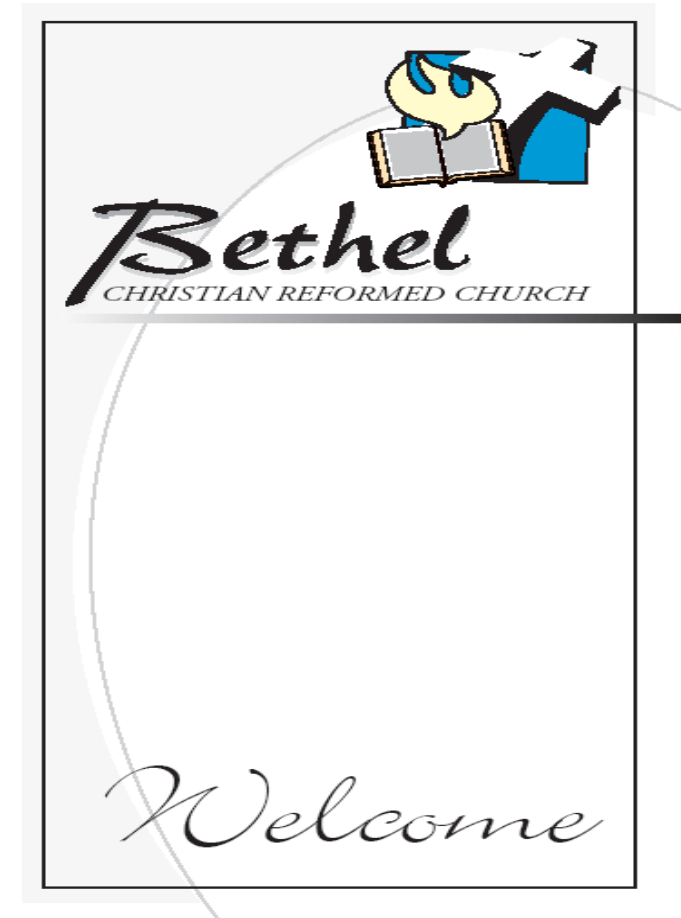
Position Opening: Donor Relations Manager, Resonate (Michigan) - Develop relationships and implement a strategy with existing and potential donors that will increase financial support and resources, engage current constituents and cultivate potential donors in support of the ministry. This full time, hybrid position in Grand Rapids, Mich., offers a flexible work schedule, attractive benefits package (including retirement fund contribution), and three weeks vacation. Apply at crcna.pinpointhq.com.

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 after the offertory
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

Our Helpers

PREACHING Today: AM: Pastor Marlin Van Schepen PM: Pastor Bill Vis
Next Week: AM: Pastor Bill Vis PM: Pastor Bill Vis
ACCOMPANIST Today: AM: Rachel Prins PM: Linda Vanderaa
Next Week: AM: Kendra Van Hill PM: Kendra Van Hill
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Today: Leland Vanderaa Next Week: Bonnie De Boer
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Today: Becca Van Schepen Next Week: Karen Dyk
CHILDREN'S WORSHIP Today: Carissa Odland & Kids
NURSERY Today AM: Infant: Nicole Fey, Mara Prins, Nyah Remme
Toddler: Michelle Van Essen, Cameron Fenske, Mason Tinklenberg,
Maggie Caspersen, Jack De Jongh
PM: Jonathan & Darci Pap
Next Week AM Infant: Erin Krosschell, Hannah Caspersen, Mikah Tinklenberg
Toddler: Melissa Kooiker, Caleb Fey, JR Van Stelten,
Elliot Vander Pol, Chapter Meksavanh
PM: Jon & Janet Walhof
USHERS Today: Wyatt Vos, Randy Pfeifle, Ben Hanenburg
Next Week: Kyle Vos, Tom Remme, Ryan Bos
HOST/HOSTESS Today: Mary Kreun & Kendra Kuipers
Next Week: Dean & Becky Van Hulzen
SOUND SYSTEM Today: Justin/Denny Next Week: Huck
VIDEO CAMERA Today: Walt Next Week: Cal
MULTI-MEDIA Today: Krista Next Week: Kyle
REFRESHMENTS Today: Ruth Kooiker, Denise Nerem
Rose Kroll, Chris & Michelle Moosey
Next Week: Erin Krosschell, Renee Krosschell,
Wendy Krosschell, Steve & Lisa Vander Maten



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Pastor Bill Vis

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Cuba CRC – Resonate Global Mission
Cornerstone Prison Church - South Dakota
Children of the Promise – Haiti
Vasya & Maranda Heytsi – Ukraine
Kylee Z – Central Asia

Worship Guide and Weekly News

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