Sunday, March 3, 2019 Morning Worship – 9:30 a.m.

We Come to Celebrate God!

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship, from Psalm 145

Leader: Lift praises to the name of our God; bless God's name forever!

People: How great is our God!

Leader: From generation to generation we will sing your praises

and speak of your goodness!

People: Great is our God and worthy of praise!

Leader: God, you are just and kind in all your doings?

People: Great is our God and worthy of praise!

Leader: God, you watch over us in love and hear the

desperate cries of those who call to you!

All: How great is our God! How great is our God!

Bless God's name forever!

Song: "How Great Is Our God",

followed by acapella chorus of How Great Thou art:

Then sings my soul, my savior God to thee;

how great thou art, how great thou art.

Then sings my soul, my savior God to thee;

how great thou art, how great thou art.

Prayer of praise

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greetings

We Celebrate God's Gift of Faith

Songs of Praise

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

"I Love to Tell the Story"

Professions of Faith of Cameron Vander Molen and Justin Dahm Confessing the source of comfort: Q&A 1 of the Heidelberg Catechism Prayer

Offering, for Ministries of Bethel and DMC Inc.

We Celebrate God's Word

Scripture: Exodus 12:1-13 (pg. 104)

Pastor: The Word of the Lord People: Thanks Be To God!

Sermon: "The Passover - Celebration of Deliverance"

Prayer

We Celebrate through Daily Service

* Parting Blessing

Go out into the world in peace:

have courage;

hold on to what is good;

return no one evil for evil;

help the suffering;

honor all:

love and serve the Lord,

rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

With God's help we will.

And the blessing of God Almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be upon you, and remain with you forever.

Amen.

Piano: Amy Dekker

^{*} Closing Song: "You Are Holy/Prince of Peace"

WELCOME TO BETHEL CHURCH! Pastor Rick will continue his sermon series on the book of Exodus during the morning worship services. God's deliverance, by his power and might, and through Moses, has a lot to say about how we live our lives as his called and redeemed people. This morning we look at "The Passover – Celebration of Deliverance."

This morning **Cameron VanderMolen and Justin Dahm** will make a public profession of faith in Jesus as their Savior and Lord. We thank the Lord for his Spirit's work in their lives!

Also, next week, Lord willing, **Katyln Eenige**nburg will make a public profession of faith in Jesus as her Savior and Lord. And **Bailee Jansma** will join the church as she makes a reaffirmation of her faith in Jesus! Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

This morning we have the privilege of welcoming **Jim and Lois Kruse** to our Bethel Church family. Jim and Lois transferred their membership from Faith Lutheran Church here in DeMotte. We're thankful you're here and wish you the Lord's blessing as you worship here and take part in our church's fellowship and ministries!

TODAY 5pm at First CRC -- COMBINED MISSION EMPHASIS SERVICE. Andrew Wahlstrom has completed his testing required by the CRCNA to become a church planter and is going before Classis Illiana on March 4 seeking ordination as a Commissioned Pastor. Come hear him share his story and his plans for the future. Also, Jack and Angie Hamstra and their family will speak during the service about the calling they have accepted to move to Indonesia and serve with MAF (Missionary Aviation Fellowship). They have been raising support for this move and Jack has been training in airplane mechanics and repair and maintenance on the specific planes that MAF operates. Jack has worked for years in the airplane service/repair business and they see how God has been preparing them for this new chapter in their lives. Join us for worship and hear and see how God has worked in the lives of these people to bring them to where they are today. Refreshments will be served afterwards at which time you can meet and talk with them and learn more about their work and what lies ahead for them in the future.

Next week, Lord willing, we will be celebrating the sacrament of the **LORD'S SUPPER** during the morning worship service. May God use this gift he has given through his Son Jesus to affirm our faith and draw us closer to him.



Come see Jesus in all of Scripture with us in our Sunday School Program "SHOW ME JESUS". All children ages PK-7th grade meet downstairs immediately after the morning service. **Pastor Rick's CATECHISM** for all 8th thru 12th grades meet in the room next to the kitchen. Visitors are welcome!

<u>VALET PARKING</u> is available for anyone who would like to use this service. No matter the weather someone will be there for both the am and pm services. Just drive up under the canopy and come into church and we will park your car for you and also go and get it after the service when you are done with your cookies and coffee.

PRE WORSHIP PRAYER TIME: You are invited to come and join in praying for the worship service, to pray for God's Spirit to move, to pray for the pastor, to pray for the Lord's blessing as we join our hearts together in worship. Prayer time begins at 9:15. Won't you join in praying? We meet in front of church near the communion table.

TODAY March 3 (Combined PM Service at First CRC)

Nursery AM: Laura Walstra, Sydnee Walstra

Greeters AM: Barb Eenigenburg, Marge Fase, Ashley VanderWoude(S)

Ken & Ruth DeVries(E)

Usher AM: Duane Jansma Media Shout Ryan Schaafsma

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NEXT WEEK March 10 (Communion)

Nursery AM: Jori Jansma, Anna Vanderwal

PM: Sharon Nanninga, Desirae Nanninga

Greeters AM: Barb Eenigenburg, Marge Fase, Ashley VanderWoude(S)

Ken & Ruth DeVries(E)

Usher AM: Duane Jansma Media Shout Katie Eenigenburg

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THIS WEEKS ACTIVITIES

Sunday 10:50pm "Show Me Jesus" Sunday School & Catechism

6:15pm YPS Meets at First CRC

Tuesday 1:30pm Ladies Afternoon Bible Study

7:00pm Council

Wednesday 9:30am Coffee Break

7:00pm GEMS & Cadets

Wisdom Seekers Crocheters

CHURCH FAMILY

- Dave Werblo Dave remains at St. Anthony Hospital, as he continues to be treated to remove a lot of fluid from his body and regulate his heartbeat. Pray for continued healing.
- Andy Walstra Andy remains at Oak Grove for rehab pray for progress for Andy!
- Pray for Marlene Vander Wall as she is being treated for some extreme dizziness and vertigolike symptoms. Pray for complete healing.
- Rachel Davids (Corky Becker's granddaughter) is not only home but was able to attend church. She makes improvements every day yet struggles with weakness. We praise God for all his blessings.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SABBATICAL UPDATE: Pastor Rick and Brenda will be leaving March 20 to begin their sabbatical. A letter has been written and placed in your church mailboxes outlining some more details regarding the sabbatical.

COUNCIL will meet on Tuesday at 7pm.

THIS MORNING'S CONGREGATIONAL MEETING following the morning worship service **has been postponed** for the time being as the Building and Grounds is waiting on and updating a few things. Please stay tuned for future details, coming soon!

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL PRAISE TEAM SINGERS AND INSTRUMENTALISTS! A new practice date has been set for **March 10** following the 5pm service. Join us to get more familiar with some newer pieces we have worked on recently. Anyone interested in joining praise team? This would be a good night to come check it out!

YPS will meet tonight at First CRC following the Combined Mission Emphasis Service.

LADIES AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY will be Tuesday at 1:30 and meeting at Diane DeVries'. Study lesson #11, "Praying Together-The Early Church".

COFFEE BREAK meets on Wednesday at 9:30am with our study of Mark. Anyone is welcome and be sure to take a friend or neighbor along. Nursery provided.

GEMS AND CADETS will meet this week Wednesday at 7pm.

WISDOM SEEKERS LADIES BIBLE STUDY will meet Wednesday at 7pm in the council room. The CROCHETERS will meet on Wednesday at 7:00 pm. We will continue to work on hats and blankets for Phil's Friends and the Women's Center. We meet the first Wednesday of each month at 7pm to answer questions and learn more stitches. Any questions, talk to Dianne. See you Wednesday!

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWS:

DMCS IMPORTANT DATES:

March 5: DMCS Board Meeting – 7:00pm March 8: CCHS Service Dinner – 6:30pm

March 25-29: DMCS Spring Break

April 1: CCHS Girls' Volleyball Fundraiser Dinner – TBD

April 9: DMCS Society Meeting – 7:00pm

April 16: PIE Spring Dinner at CCHS – 5:00-7:00pm

