



Bethel Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, August 11, 2024

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9:30 a.m. Worship Service

Pastor Jeremy Oosterhouse

WELCOME TO BETHEL! We welcome any who are new to Bethel whether in person, or online and pray you will be blessed by your time here. If this is your first time here please take a welcome mug from the table in the back of church and come back and worship with us again!

Today Pastor Jeremy will continue his series on the Holy Spirit. He will look at Acts 2:42-47 – “God Marks His Church”. Thank you to the Coffey family for your ministry of music and sharing of your gifts and talents with Bethel!

We invite everyone to stay after the service for a time of fellowship and coffee & treats in the back of church.

MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude: “Praise the Name of Jesus Medley” – Korey Coffey

Welcome and Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

*Please Stand for Opening Song: “Salvation Belongs to Our God”

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

*Continue in Praise:

“Holy Forever”

“Holy Spirit Living Breath of God”

*Remain Standing if you are able as we Confess Our Faith Together

“Apostle’s Creed”

Please be Seated

Special Music – Erika and Melody Coffey

Congregational Prayer

Offering will be received for Ministries of Bethel and PIM - Schering’s in Papua New Guinea

Offertory – “Change My Heart, O God” – Korey Coffey

Scripture: Acts 2:42-47

Sermon: "**God Marks His Church**"

*Please Stand for the Benediction

*Closing Song: “I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

- Continue to pray for Tom P. and Delores C. to regain strength as they recover at home.
- Continue to pray for our members who receive ongoing care for their health: Ruth D.V., Barb E., Donna H., Rich K., Carolyn V.V., Andy W.
- We pray for our public school students and teachers as they returned to school this past week, and for our DMCS students and teachers as they begin this week.

SERVING TODAY	August 11
Nursery	Steph & James
Piano	Amy
Usher	Andrew
Greeters	Jon & Amy (S) Scott & Nanci (E)
Media Shout	Scott
Offering	Ministries of Bethel and PIM – Schering's in Papua New Guinea

You can continue to give online at www.bethelcrcdemotte.org. Thank you!

SERVING NEXT WEEK	August 18
Nursery	Rachel & Mary B.
Piano	Marla
Usher	Todd
Greeters	Jon & Amy (S) Scott & Nanci (E)
Media Shout	Scott
Offering	Ministries of Bethel and Jasper County Recovery House

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anniversaries: Congratulations to Jon and Phyllis H. (Aug. 13) as they celebrate their 59th wedding anniversary.

From the Council. At the August 6 meeting of Council, we note the following action items for the congregation:

1. We received the transfer of membership from Immanuel CRC of Pastor Jeremy and Rachel Oosterhouse and family.
2. We approved the establishment of a 6th-12th grade Catechism class to be taught by Pastor Jeremy on Sunday mornings after worship.
3. We delegated Pastor Jeremy, Elder Gerrit D.V., and Deacon Rich B. to attend the September 18 meeting of Classis Illiana.
4. We endorsed efforts to establish a local LifeWise chapter for Bible education for public school students and approved Pastor Jeremy's participation on the Steering Committee.

From the Elders. The elders encourage our church family to connect with members who are receiving care away from home or who are not able to worship with us regularly. Occasional calls or letters would be appreciated by all as we work to promote the fellowship of our church.

We are looking for someone to **help with sound** one Sunday a month starting in September. Please reach out to Gary if you are interested.

Did you notice the activity pages for kids in the back of church? There are two age groups--one for the younger – ages 3+ and one for the older kids – ages 7+ so check the appropriate age for your child. We hope they enjoy these pages!

Thank you to everyone for all your delicious Sunday morning snacks. There is a new sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex for the upcoming fall months September – November.

Join us for an evening of **Mini-Concert & Hymnsing** - I am Leo Joewono, a student at Mid-America who came and led a Sunday service at Bethel back in March. I would like to invite the community at Bethel to a concert-hymnsing that I am organizing in Gary, Indiana, THIS Wednesday, August 14, at 7 p.m. central time held at Ross Community Reformed Church 3900 W 41st Ave, Gary, IN. The goal of this program is simply to re-familiarize people with the hymns and also to hear the gospel preached and sung. Free admission!