



Bethel Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, September 29, 2024

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9:30 a.m. Worship Service

Pastor Jeremy Oosterhouse

WELCOME TO BETHEL! We are glad that you have joined us in worship. 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!

As we gather for worship this morning we will conclude this series – Empowered by the Holy Spirit - looking at Acts 11:1-18 “Seeing as God Sees”. Next week Pastor Jeremy will start a new series on the “Solus” of the Reformation. “Sola” is Latin for “alone/only”, and we will study how our salvation is in Christ alone, by faith alone, by God’s grace alone, and for God’s glory alone. Hope you will join us!

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

PRE-K-12 SUNDAY SCHOOL: There are three classes: Pre-k through 2nd grade meets during the church service – they will be dismissed after the time of Praise. They will go to the back of church where they will meet their teachers; 3rd-5th grade meets from 11:00-11:30am and a 6th-12th grade Catechism class will meet from 11:00-11:30am both in the church basement. Visitors are welcome!

FOR ADULTS: Grab your coffee and snack and join us in the council room for a video series *How Then Should We Live?* by Francis Scheaffer.

MORNING WORSHIP

**We invite you to stand in body or in spirit during the service as indicated.*

Welcome and Call to Worship

* Opening Song: “Indescribable”

*God's Greeting/Mutual Greeting

*Time of Praise:

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

“I Will Wait for You”

Please Be Seated

Children ages Pre-K-2nd grade are dismissed for Children’s Worship

Law, Confession, Assurance

Song of Response: “Lord, I Need You”

During this song we will receive the offering for Ministries of Bethel and Capital Improvements

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Acts 11: 1-18 (pg. 1711)

Message: **“Seeing as God Sees”**

Prayer

*Closing Song: “Have Thine Own Way, Lord” vs. 1,2,4

*Benediction

*“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

1. Andy W. has moved to a new address: 1005-B Carnation St. SE in DeMotte. Please continue to lift up Andy, Cheryl, and their caretaker as they transition Andy to this new home. We praise God that he has provided this gift to him.
2. We pray for Donna H. and for continued resolution to her ongoing health concerns. Pray for wisdom for the doctors as they care for her.
3. Prayers for Rich K.; may he continue to be used by God to minister to others at the Towne Centre in Merrillville.
4. We give thanks that Tom P. continues to gain strength.
5. We continue in prayer for our other members with ongoing health concerns: Barb E., Carolyn V.V., Ruth D.V., and Delores C. We also remember those in our fellowship with various unshared health concerns and ask for God's healing upon them and provision of answers in medical tests.

THOSE IN SERVICE

	September 29	October 6
Nursery	Ashley & Anna	Rachel B. & Velma
Children's Worship	Mary & Rachel	Sandy & Annabelle
Piano	Marla	Amy
Usher	Mike	Steve
Greeters	Rick & Sean (S) Jon & Phyllis (E)	Marlene (S) Larry & Velma (E)
Media Shout	Scott	Scott
Offering	Ministries of Bethel and Capital Improvements	Ministries of Bethel and DMCS Inc.

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

THIS WEEKS MEETINGS

Sunday	11:00am	Sunday School, Catechism, and Adult Education dismisses at 11:30am
Tuesday	1:30pm	Ladies Afternoon Bible Study
Wednesday	11:00am	Time of Prayer (see announcement)
	6:15pm	GEMS

FROM THE COUNCIL

- The council seeks nominations from the congregation for the office of elder and deacon. If you have men you wish to nominate, please contact the clerk, Jon D.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Time of Prayer: Pastor Jeremy would like to start a time of prayer and fellowship on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday mornings at 11 am. Come as you are able to spend time in prayer together and in fellowship. Pastor Jeremy will supply the coffee. Our first day will be this week Wednesday, October 2.

Sunday Afternoon Discipleship: Pastor Jeremy will offer a 4-week series in October leading up to Reformation Day to examine how the church moved from the time of Acts to the time of the Reformation. Please plan to meet at church at 4:00 pm each Sunday as we study our church's history. Sunday, October 6, we will begin with Constantine, the church councils, and the rise of monasticism in the 300's-400's AD.

The Transition Team would like to **invite the congregation to a time of fellowship** with the Oosterhouse's. We are putting together small groups for a little "one on one" time with our new pastor and family. If you would like to attend one of these events, please sign up on the sheet in the back of church. If you are willing to host one of these get together times, check that box as well. If you have any questions, please ask Russ, Cindy or Sandy. Thanks.

LADIES AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY will meet Tuesday, October 1 at the home of Dianne DV. We will be looking at lesson 2," Moses" in the Exodus 1-15 study book. New members welcome. Questions: talk to Dianne DV or Mary B.

GEMS meet this week Wednesday at 6:15-8:15pm at First CRC. Any girls 2nd-8th grade are invited to come join us.

UPCOMING DATES:

HARVEST FEAST will be Sunday, October 27 after the morning service.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is scheduled for Sunday, November 17 after the worship service.

ALL-CHURCH CHRISTMAS PARTY is planned for December 13 at 6:30 at church.

It will be a fun night with white elephant exchange and snacks. Watch for details.

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In Christ, Kevin DeRaaf, Director