



# Bethel Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, December 29, 2024

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9:30 a.m. Worship Service

Pastor Jeremy Oosterhouse

**WE WELCOME YOU TO WORSHIP** whether in person or online. We welcome any visitors who have chosen to join us! Please take a welcome mug from the table in the back of church.

We **welcome guest Pastor Ted Gray** to Bethel today. He will lead us in worship looking at James 4:13-17 – “Biblical Wisdom for the New Year”.

**There will be no children's worship or Sunday school this week. They will all resume January 5. There are Children's bulletins available for ages 3 – 6 and more challenging ones for ages 7+. They are located in the back of church!**

**NURSERY CARE IS AVAILABLE** in the church basement for members and for guests.

Pastor Jeremy will be out of the office the week of December 29. If care needs arise, please contact the church office or your family team elder.

Beginning January 5, Pastor Jeremy will start a 6-week series on the book of Philippians and our "gather-grow-go" mission statement called, "**Becoming a 5G Church**". Join us January 5 as we discuss the purpose of the church in fulfilling God's mission and calling as we study Philippians 1:3-11.

**SPECIAL SERVICES:** Next week, January 5 we will have a Service of Installation for the newly elected office bearers – elder Russ VanderMolen and deacon Randy Pierce. Then, Sunday, January 12 will be the celebration of the sacrament of communion.

## MORNING WORSHIP

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

Welcome

\*Opening Song: “O Worship the King”

\*God's Greeting/Mutual Greetings

\*Time of Praise:

“O Little Town of Bethlehem” vs. 1,2,4

“In Christ Alone”

Please Be Seated

Children's Worship will NOT meet it will resume January 5.

Law/Confession/Assurance

Offering for Ministries of Bethel and the Gideon's

We will sing “As with Gladness Men of Old” vs.1-3

Congregational Prayer

Scripture Reading: James 4:13-17 (pg.1884)

Sermon: "**Biblical Wisdom for the New Year**"

\*Song of Response: “O God Our Help in Ages Past” vs. 1-4

\*Parting Blessing

\*Closing Song: "Doxology"

**OUR CHURCH FAMILY:** Please remember the following items in prayer:

1. Peace and rest for our families in the coming week amidst the busyness of the last month.
2. Alice R. and family, as they mourn the passing of Steve.
3. Carolyn V.V., who anticipated returning home from Franciscan Hospital this week.
4. Mary R, in need of healing for the surgical site where a melanoma was recently removed.
5. Larry O, who is working with doctors to address some kidney issues.
6. Our members who have ongoing health challenges: Andy W, Tom P, Ruth DV, Delores C.
7. Our members who stay in assisted care facilities: Donna H, Rich K, Barb E.
8. Those who are sick with respiratory infections and colds.

**THIS WEEKS MEETINGS**

Sunday 11:00am Sunday School, Catechism and Adult Class will **NOT** meet today

**THOSE IN SERVICE**

	<b>December 29</b>	<b>January 5</b>
Nursery	Bailee & Rachel B.	Anna & Stephanie
Children's Worship	Does NOT Meet	Linda B. & Ashley
Piano	Marla	Amy
Usher	Brent	Mike
Greeters	Rich & Mary(S) Ron & Sue(E)	Konvalinka Family(E) Dan & Marilyn (S)
Media Shout	Scott	Scott
Offering	Ministries of Bethel and Gideon's	Ministries of Bethel and DMCS Inc.

You can continue to give online at [www.bethelcrcdemotte.org](http://www.bethelcrcdemotte.org). Thank you!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**UPCOMING SPECIAL DATES:**

- **Sunday, January 5: Installation Service of new elders and deacons**
- **Sunday, January 12: We celebrate communion together**

**Biweekly Prayer Group.** We will next meet for prayer on Wednesday, January 8, followed by January 22; both days at 11:00 am.

Sermon Notes:  
"Biblical Wisdom for the New Year"  
James 4:13-17