



**Sunday, March 2, 2025**  
**Bethel Christian Reformed Church**  
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**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.

This week we take up the second spiritual discipline of our "Holy Habits" series, which is "**Meditating on the Word**" from Psalm 119:9-16. The concern for this study is the orientation of our heart and setting our desire on the Lord to be our master.

**Holy Habits Discipleship:** Please join us at 4 pm at church on Sundays, March 2, 16, 30, and April 13 for a time of discussion about spiritual disciplines. We'll talk more about their history, how to practice them, and how they can lead us to better know God.

- **Nursery care** is available to those under the age of 4 who need it, both for members and for guests during our morning worship service. They meet in the church's lower level.
- **PRE-K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade** Children's Worship meets during the church service. They are dismissed after the time of Praise. Go to the back of church where they will meet their teachers.
- **Sunday School/Catechism:** for all 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades meet from 11:00-11:30am in the church's lower level. Visitors are welcome!
- **ADULT Class** will meet in the council room and continue with the Ray VanderLaan videos. Grab your coffee and snack and come join us!

**THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS**

Sunday	11:00am 4:00pm	Sunday School, Catechism and Adult Class Holy Habits Study
Tuesday	1:30pm	Ladies Afternoon Bible Study Lesson 10, Up! Leave...! Go...! Snack – Marilyn B.
Wednesday	7:00pm 6:15pm	Council GEMS – Badge Night

Next week, Lord willing, we will celebrate the **sacrament of communion** together. May God use this gift he has given through his son Jesus to affirm our faith and draw us closer to him.

Work on the lift continues. Please check the **TOP** of the mailboxes outside Pastor Jeremy's office for the materials normally put in the mailboxes. Be sure to check it weekly!

**MORNING WORSHIP**

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

Welcome

\*Opening Song: "We Will Glorify"

\*God's Greeting/Mutual Greetings

\*Time of Praise:

"Standing on the Promises" vs.1,2,4

"Redeemed" vs. 1,3,4

Please be Seated – Children are dismissed for Children's Worship

Meditation on the Law

Prayer of Confession

Scripture: Psalm 119:9-16 (pg.957)

Sermon: "**Holy Habits – Meditating on the Word**"

Offering will be received for Ministries of Bethel and DMCS Inc.

\*Stand and Sing During Offering: "How Shall the Young Direct Their Way"

Prayers of the People

\*God's Parting Blessing

\*Closing Song: "In Our Lives, Lord, Be Glorified" vs.1,3

**THOSE IN SERVICE**

Nursery	<b>March 2</b> Anna & Sandy	<b>March 9</b> Marla & Ren
Children's Worship	Mary B. & Annabelle	Linda & Ashley
Piano	Amy	Amy
Usher	Rick	Rick
Greeters	Marlene & Ashley(E) Jon & Phyllis (S)	Marlene & Ashley(E) Jon & Phyllis (S)
Media Shout	Scott	James
Offering	Ministries of Bethel and DMCS Inc.	Ministries of Bethel and Capital Improvements

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

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

1. Delores C, staying with her son and daughter-in-law as she continues to recover.
2. Mary R, scheduled for heart valve replacement procedure on Monday, March 3.
3. Our members who have ongoing health concerns: Tom P, Ruth DV and Andy W.
4. Velma O, receiving treatment for influenza A and pneumonia at Franciscan Hospital.
5. Laura H, scheduled for surgery on March 14 to have one of her spinal cord stimulator batteries replaced.
6. Family of Zach B. (dating Katelyn E), as they mourn the loss of Zach's grandfather, Cornelius Venhuizen. Visitation and funeral will be held today (Sunday) in Dyer.
7. Pastor Jeremy, Jon D, and Will J as they attend the meeting of classis Illiana on Tuesday, March 4, at Crossroads Community Church in Schererville.
8. Our neighbors in DeMotte - may they see Christ through us and our churches, and may we minister to their needs.
9. Our government and political leaders - that God will use them to care for his people and to lead with justice and mercy.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Easter Lilies:** The Worship and Decorating Teams are ordering Easter lilies for Easter Sunday, and we invite you to purchase lilies in memory of a loved one or in honor of a loved one. The lilies will be available for pickup after worship on Easter Sunday. Please use the link that was sent in the mid-week email to sign-up. They are \$10 each. (You can also talk to Shiela in the office to add your name to the list.)

**Biweekly Prayer Group.** We will next meet for prayer on Wednesday, March 12, at 11:00 am for the CRCNA's annual day of prayer.

**Holy Habits Resources:** The Worship Team invites the congregation to share devotional resources during this Holy Habits Series over the next couple months. If you have a devotional that you would like to share with others, please mark it with your name and place it on top of the mailboxes by Pastor Jeremy's office. And, if you are looking for a new devotional to try; please feel free to take one from the stack and return it when finished.

**Bible League Spring Luncheon** is March 20 at Smit's Farms. Tickets are \$30. Deadline for tickets is March 13. See Ruth or Rachel B for to reserve your tickets.

Community Church Roselawn is looking for **volunteers to help chop, split and haul wood** to area residents who primarily use firewood to heat their homes. We'd love for you to help! Please join them at 8 AM-Noon on the 1st Saturday of the month. No tools required. Then join them for lunch at Noon. The last Wood Splitting day for the season is May 3.