



Bethel Christian Reformed Church

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9:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Services

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.

Today we **welcome Pastor Drew Brown** from Crossroads Community Church in Schererville. AM: Luke 8:40-48 – “Zoom Lens”. 5PM: The message will be “Awe” from Exodus 19:10-20.

The children are dismissed for **CHILDREN’S CHURCH** after our time of praise. Please go to the foyer where your teachers will meet you. Children turning 4 years old by Jan. 1st are welcome along with any children parents feel would benefit from this opportunity. Visitors welcome!

BLESSINGS BOARD – week 3: **this week share your favorite Bible passage you’re most thankful for and why.** Fill out the dark yellow paper and place on the bulletin board. **Let’s keep filling up the board with blessings!** (If you missed week 1 or 2 it’s not too late to fill that out also. – look on little table by Blessing Board.) We will use these blessings during our Thanksgiving Day Service!

THANKSGIVING DAY WORSHIP – Join us THIS Thursday, November 23 as we thank God once again for all his blessings to us through another year. Mr. Bryce Klassen will look at 1 Thessalonians 5:12-22 -- The Kind of Church God Wants to See.

We are still collecting food for our local food pantry and **will be accepting food items the month of November!** What a way to share with our neighbors in need. Place food items in east entrance. One load was taken to the pantry let’s fill the table up again! Thanks for your donations!

Next week Student Eric Heida from Mid-America Seminary will lead us in worship. AM: “Do You Want to be Name or Do You Want to be Nameless?” from Genesis 21:8-21. 5pm: He will look at 1 Peter 4:7-11 – “Live in Christian Mutuality”.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: THE 2023 ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held Tuesday, November 28 at 7pm in the sanctuary. All pertinent papers have been placed as a packet in your mailbox. There is a considerable amount of information to digest prior to the meeting, so please take time to read it all in preparation as we will be voting on the 2024 budget, extending a Pastoral Call to Jeremy Oosterhouse, and a change in Sunday afternoon worship service. For those unable to attend the meeting, there were Absentee Ballots placed in your mailbox last week. Please put absentee ballots in the basket on the council room table. Extra copies are also available there. Thank you. Gary DeVries, Council President

MORNING WORSHIP

Welcome & Opening Prayer

*Please Stand for Opening Song

“The Church’s One Foundation”

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*God’s Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

*Time of Praise & Worship

“There is Joy in the Lord”

“Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me”

Please be Seated

Children are dismissed for Children’s Worship!

Offering for Ministries of Bethel and Capital Improvements

During the offering we will sing “Nearer, Still Nearer” vs.1, 2

Prayer

Scripture: Luke 8:40-48 (pg. 1607.)

Message: **“Zoom Lens”**

Prayer

*Please Stand for God’s Parting Blessing

*Closing Song: “He Knows My Name”

5PM WORSHIP

Welcome

*Please Stand for our Opening Song:

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God” W/C 59 vs. 1-3

*Opening Prayer

*Continue in Song:

“The Heavens Declare Your Glory” vs.1-3

“Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord”

Please Be Seated

Prayer

Scripture: Exodus 19:10-20 (pg.117)

Message: **“Awe”**

Prayer

God’s Parting Blessing

Closing Song: “We Shall Behold Him” W/C 237 vs. 1,2

CHURCH FAMILY: PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP IN PRAYER:

- Carollyn B has her final procedure scheduled for Dec 12, another outpatient, even shorter recovery time. Then I should be back to my normal. God is good!
- Larry O who is dealing with pain from a compression fracture in his back. Prayers for healing and pain relief.
- Henry D., Andy & Cheryl, Barb E, Rich K, Ted & Donna, Elmer & Norma, Ruth DV, Carolyn VV

THIS WEEKS MEETINGS

Tuesday 1:30pm Ladies Afternoon Bible Study
Thursday 9:30am Thanksgiving Day Worship

SERVING TODAY

November 19

Nursery: AM Sue & Mary
Children's Leaders Phyllis and Ashley
Piano: Marla
Usher Andrew
Greeters Cindy & Ashley(E), Steve & Alice(S).
Media Shout Scott
Offering Ministries of Bethel and Capital Improvements.

SERVING THANKSGIVING DAY November 23

Nursery Bailee & Belle
Piano: Marla
Greeters Cindy & Ashley(E), Steve & Alice(S).
Media Shout Scott
Offering Food Pantry

SERVING NEXT WEEK November 26

Nursery: AM Suzy & Anna
Children's Leaders Thanksgiving Break
Piano: Amy
Usher Andrew
Greeters Cindy & Ashley(E), Steve & Alice(S).
Media Shout Todd
Offering Ministries of Bethel and Aaron Shupe – West Africa

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

There is an update from the Shupes in West Africa in your mailbox. We will be taking an offering for them on November 26. Please read about their work and where God might be leading them.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE HELP: We are greatly in need of a volunteer to serve one Sunday service a month in Sound & Live-Stream and also a volunteer to serve one Sunday service a month on Media-Shout starting in January. It's not hard to do, we will show you how. Great opportunity to serve the Lord in Worship. Contact Gary. Thanks



Congregation! Mark your calendars now! **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13**, it's another Bethel Fun Night! Everyone is invited! Games, Pizza, and White Elephant Gift Exchange! Look for more details to follow in the coming weeks!

LADIES AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY will meet Tuesday, November 22 at 1:30 at Dianne DV. We will be studying Nehemiah lesson 5, Joy in Jerusalem. If you're interested in joining and would like additional information talk to Mary B. or Dianne DV. All ladies are welcome.

On Wednesday, December 13th from 6-8pm, Anew Ministries is hosting a Momma's Christmas Market at First Church in Hebron. This event will provide a wonderful opportunity to show the love of Jesus to young mommas in this area. Each young mother will get to shop, purchase, and wrap her own gifts for her child, giving her the dignity of being a part of providing Christmas for her child. If you are interested in learning more about volunteering or purchasing toys for this event, please visit anewministries.org for more information!