



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 Student Eric Heida from Mid-America Seminary will lead us in worship. AM: “Do You Want to be Named 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”. Congratulations to Eric and his wife on the recent birth of their son and 2nd child. They just came home from hospital on Tuesday. Thank you for leading us in worship today!

There will be **no Children’s Worship** today. It will resume again next week Sunday.

BLESSINGS BOARD – Thank you to everyone who shared your blessings this past month. Take a few minutes to look at the board and as we enter into Advent season next week help us to stay focused on all that God has blessed us with as we once again celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Next Week is the **first Sunday of Advent** as we anticipate the birth of our Savior. We plan to focus on **Jesus – the Light of the world**. Pastor Don Jabaay will lead us in worship: “Christmas Is All About Light and Darkness” from Isaiah 9:1-7.

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. 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



Christmas Family Fun Night! Wednesday, December 13, 6:00 p.m. There will be pizza, Bingo and prizes for everyone! All you need to bring is your appetite and a wrapped White Elephant gift labeled for each woman, man or child in your family attending. Be sure to sign the sign-up sheet so we know how many to plan on. Hope to see you all there for another great Family Fun Night, you won’t want to miss it!

MORNING WORSHIP

Welcome & Opening Prayer

*Please Stand for Opening Song
“Mighty to Save”

*God’s Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

*Time of Praise & Worship

“All Hail the Power of Jesus Name”

“Before the Throne of God Above”

Please be Seated

Children’s Worship will NOT meet today!!

Offering for Ministries of Bethel and Shupes serving in west Africa

During the offering we will sing “As the Deer”

Prayer

Scripture: Genesis 21:8-21 (pg. 29)

Message: **“Do You Want to be Named or Do You Want to be Nameless?”**

Prayer

*Please Stand for God’s Parting Blessing

*Closing Song: “Be Thou My Vision”

5PM WORSHIP

Welcome

*Please Stand for our Opening Song:

“We Have Come Into His House” W/C 588 vs. 1,2

*Opening Prayer

*Continue in Song:

“O Come, My Soul, Sing Praise to God” vs.1-3

“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord” W/C 289 vs.1-4

Please Be Seated

Prayer

Scripture: 1 Peter 4:7-11 (pg.1891)

Message: **“Live in Christian Mutuality”**

Prayer

God’s Parting Blessing

Closing Song: “They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our Love” W/C 284 vs.1-4

CHURCH FAMILY: PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP IN PRAYER:

- We extend our sincerest sympathy to Norma VanderMolen and her family at the passing of her husband, Elmer. We thank God for Elmer's life and his faithful witness to the Lord. We celebrate God's faithfulness to us that we belong to him, body and soul, in life and even in death. Visitation will be Sunday from 1-6pm at Jackson's Funeral home. The Service will be held here at Bethel on Monday at 10am.
- Carollyn B has her final procedure scheduled for Dec 12, another outpatient, even shorter recovery time. We thank God for his healing for her.
- Henry D., Andy & Cheryl, Barb E, Rich K, Ted & Donna, Ruth DV, Carolyn VV

THIS WEEKS MEETINGS

Tuesday 7:00pm Congregational Meeting

SERVING TODAY

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

SERVING NEXT WEEK December 3

Nursery: AM Marla & Carli
Children's Leaders Dianne & Lyndsy
Piano: Amy
Usher Steve
Greeters Rich & Mary(E), Ron & Sue(S).
Media Shout Riley
Offering Ministries of Bethel and DMCS Inc.

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

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

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!