

Bethel Church Announcements

May 17, 2020

Welcome to Bethel Church! We welcome you to watch today's worship service, found on YouTube. It's our hope that you experience the presence of God and the love of His people even though we can't meet together. The link should be up and running by the time you wake up on Sunday morning and sent to your email. You can also check Bethel's Facebook page as the link will be posted there. Go to: <https://www.facebook.com/BethelCRCDemotte/> to find more. This week's message will be on the theme of the Ascension of Jesus Christ. It's part of our confession that he "ascended into heaven", and it's what Scripture teaches us. But what does this even mean for us today?

PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER:

- Prayers for Wayne & Carolyn VanVuren's grandson, Trenton, who is in the Navy and has just been shipped to Afghanistan for 4 months. Keep him in your prayers as he serves our country.
- Please keep Don and Sandy Zylstra in prayer, as Sandy (Dan Zylstra's mom) continues with her chemotherapy treatments. Pray for Lisa too as she spends time with Sandy to help her along.
- Prayer of thanks for all the teachers and students who have made it thru their end of year at home schooling! Congratulations to all the graduates!

Congregation: This is a reminder that council has proposed the date of May 31, Pentecost Sunday, for opening on-site worship services again at Bethel CRC. This decision was made with the view to gauging how the opening up of things in Indiana was going to affect our society and population. For the sake of love and safety of our members, we did not want to rush into things prematurely. That means we will continue with our online services for this Sunday and next (May 24). Executive team will meet Tuesday, May 26 to reevaluate and to prepare to communicate what people need to know before we come together again. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Looking for all Graduates – **8th grade, high school and college.** We would like to include you in the upcoming Bethel Branches Newsletter. Please let us know if you are graduating so we can send you a form to fill out with a little information. **Deadline is May 19th.**

UPCOMING OFFERINGS

May 17	Ministries of Bethel and Mobility Ministry
May 24	Ministries of Bethel and Tuition Assistance
May 31	Ministries of Bethel and Future Capital Improvements
June 7	DMCS Inc.

Online Giving: Online giving continues to be available through our church website, and through Tithely. The link to the giving site is: <https://www.bethelcrcdemotte.org/giving/>. You can also give by downloading the app on your phone and creating an account. We have updated the list of giving causes on the website, so that instead of making donations just to the general fund, you can also designate your offering to go to many of the special offerings we frequently give to, such as future Capital Improvements, GRIL, World Renew, Benevolence, or Oak Grove, to name a few. We are grateful for your continuing faithfulness in worshiping the Lord through your gifts and offering! Thank you!!

The new **May/June Today** booklets are in your mailboxes at church but since we are not yet meeting you can access the online version each day at Thisistoday.com. or sign up there to receive them via email.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO

The **29th Annual DeMotte Christian Schools Foundation golf outing** will take place on Wednesday, June 17, with a 1:00pm shotgun start at Sandy Pines Golf Course in Wheatfield, Indiana! Eighteen holes, cart, and pork chop dinner is included. Cost is \$100 per golfer. Call DeMotte Christian School at 219-987-3721 to register!! The DMC Foundation provides an annual contribution to the school to reduce tuition costs.

DeMotte Christian School "Class of 2020" Graduation

CONGRATULATIONS to the DeMotte Christian School "Class of 2020" who will graduate on Thursday, May 28, at 5:30pm outdoors at Covenant Christian High School. The speaker is Pastor Tim Cary. The class chose the following verse from Isaiah 40:8 as their motto, "*The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever.*"

Covenant Christian High School "Class of 2020" Graduation

CONGRATULATIONS to the Covenant Christian High School Class of 2020. They will graduate on Thursday, May 28, at 7:00pm outdoors at Covenant Christian High School.

DMCS IMPORTANT DATES:

May 28: 8th Grade Graduation: 5:30pm outdoors @ CCHS
May 28: CCHS Graduation: 7:15pm outdoors @ CCHS
June 2: DMCS Board Meeting: 7pm
June 17: 29th Annual Foundation Golf Outing – 1:00pm
July 29-July 3: DMCS offices closed for the holiday
July 23: DMCS Registration Night: 6:00-8:00pm
July 28: DMCS Registration Night: 6:00-8:00pm



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**Don't let your worries get the best of you; remember,
Moses started out as a basket case.**

**The Will of God never takes you to where the
Grace of God will not protect you!**