

## Bethel Church Announcements May 24, 2020

**Welcome to Bethel Church!** This week's message will be from Philippians 2:12-18, in which Paul calls us to "Shine as stars". 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.

We pause on Memorial Day weekend to remember all those who have served and are serving our country. Continue to keep this country and our military in your prayers as they serve to keep our land free and safe. We especially remember today those who gave of their lives for our freedom. Thank you!

### PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER

- Congratulations to all of the graduates. We especially congratulate three of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade grads! Ava Butchart, Riley Schaafsma and Sydnee Walstra. We pray God will bless you as you continue next year to high school. (Watch for an email that will be sent to you about our graduates!)
- Continued prayers for Wayne & Carolyn's grandson, Trenton, who is in the Navy serving in Afghanistan for 4 months. Keep him in your prayers as he serves our country.
- Also, keep David VanderWall Jr. in your prayers as he continues to serve. Currently he is stateside. We thank him for his service to our country!
- Continued prayers for Don & Sandy Zylstra (Dan's mom) as she continues her treatments. Also, for Lisa as she spends time helping her.
- Rich Buiter is scheduled to have some corrective prostate surgery on Thursday in Indianapolis. Please pray for its success and for a good recovery.

### UPCOMING OFFERINGS

May 24 Ministries of Bethel and Tuition Assistance  
May 31 Ministries of Bethel and Future Capital Improvements  
June 7 DMCS Inc.  
June 14 Brett & Sue VanderMolen serving in Cambodia

**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!!

**Congregation:** The council has proposed next week Sunday, 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 is 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. We will continue with our online services for this Sunday, 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. Looking forward to worshipping together again soon!

You can access the online version of the daily devotionals in the **Today** booklets at [Thisistoday.com](http://Thisistoday.com). or sign up there to receive them via email.

Dear CRC Church Member,  
With so many of us staying at home and having extra time on our hands, *The Banner* would love to send you our weekly update. It's free and you can cancel at any time.

*The Banner Update* is a weekly email sent on Mondays to anyone interested in getting the latest news from the Christian Reformed Church straight to their inbox. Once a week, we include links to news, features, online-extra content, Our Shared Ministries articles, and reviews of books, movies, and TV shows readers might be interested in. It gives a sneak-peek of all the new articles posted in the past week at [www.thebanner.org](http://www.thebanner.org). Signing up is as easy as [clicking this link](#).

Thank you, and may God keep you all safe during this time.  
Shiao Chong, Editor, *The Banner*

## **SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO**

The **Annual DeMotte Christian Schools Foundation golf outing HAS BEEN CANCELLED!**

### **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.*" **Only immediate family and grandparents are invited to graduation ceremonies.**

### **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. **Only immediate family and grandparents are invited to graduation ceremonies.**

### **DeMotte Christian School Graduation Issue of The Eagle's Eye**

Is available online at [www.demottechristianschools.org](http://www.demottechristianschools.org). This booklet contains a letter from the assistant principal, class highlights, awards and accomplishments, and farewell paragraphs from our 2020 graduates. Hard copies are available in both school offices.

### **DMCS IMPORTANT DATES:**

May 28: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation: 5:30pm outdoors @ CCHS  
May 28: CCHS Graduation: 7:15pm outdoors @ CCHS  
June 2: DMCS Board Meeting: 7pm  
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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