



**Bethel Christian Reformed Church
Sunday, August 2, 2020**

Welcome to Bethel Church! Today we extend a warm welcome to Jeff White who will be leading us in worship. Join us for our evening worship at 6:00pm.

Morning Worship

Opening Song: "There is Joy in the Lord"

Welcome

Prayer of Praise

God's Blessing

We Continue in Praise: "Come People of the Risen King"
"Onward Christian Soldiers"

Prayer of Confession

Song: "Knowing You"

Time of Prayer

Scripture: Verses from Nehemiah 1-3, Special focus on Neh. 4:13-20

Message: **"He didn't Give Up Much"**

Prayer

Please stand for God's Blessing and Closing Song

Closing Song: "Lead on O King Eternal"

SERVING TODAY August 2
Piano Amy Dekker
Usher AM: Hank VanderWall
Media Shout Ryan Schaafsma
Offering Ministries of Bethel and DMC Inc.

SERVING NEXT WEEK August 9
Piano Amy Dekker
Usher AM: Hank VanderWall
Media Shout Katie Eenigenburg
Offering Ministries of Bethel and Benevolence

AGENDA FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 7:00pm Council will meet

Evening Worship – 6:00 p.m.

Welcome

Opening Song: "I Love You Lord" (sing thru once)

Opening Prayer led by Jeff White

Continue in Praise: "Victory in Jesus" (3 vs)
"At Calvary" (4 vs)

Time of Prayer

Scripture: Mark 15:28, Luke 23:32-43

Message: **"3 Crosses 3 Conversations"**

Prayer

Parting Blessing

Closing Song: "My Jesus, I Love Thee"

CHURCH FAMILY

Continued prayers for Elmer VanderMolen. He has been diagnosed with "myelofibrosis", a rare disorder/cancer of the bone marrow. He will be undergoing regular blood checks and will require blood transfusions on a regular basis to help keep his energy and strength up. Please pray for Elmer and Norma as they journey through this difficult time. Pray that the Lord will hold their hearts even as we pray that God will heal Elmer's body.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday school Parents- (Pre-school(4)-7th Grade) Please sign up if you plan on sending your child/children to Sunday school this September. Under the current governor/Jasper County Health mandates masks are required inside the classrooms. Please sign up asap on the round table or email church at bethelcrc@netnitco.net with your child/children's name(s) and ages

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE: We are in need of a Sunday School Superintendent for the upcoming Sunday school year. A huge shout out and thank you to Dan and Laura Walstra who have so faithfully served in this capacity for the last 7 years or so. We may have someone who is willing to serve the fall of 2021, so we are presently looking for someone to serve for one year as an interim superintendent. If that is something you feel the Lord may be calling you to do to bless our children, please see Dan Walstra or Pastor Rick.

I am planning on continuing to prep/help with the start of the Sunday School year and would love to go over the binder that I am putting together for whoever would like to continue leading this wonderful ministry. It is our prayer and hope that a fresh new approach will bring excitement and new ideas to the table. Dan and I have loved being a part of this ministry for so long. Laura Walstra

The Men's Golf League has begun playing on Tuesdays at 4:30pm at Sandy Pines. All levels of skill are welcome. Any questions contact Dave Jolink at 219-671-0730.

We welcome anyone who might be visiting with us here at Bethel!

In light of worshipping together with the social distancing restrictions still in place, we want to share some of the guidelines we are continuing to follow:

- There will be no greeters at church. The doors will be propped open so that worshippers can walk right into the church building and sanctuary without touching any door handles.
- Ushers will be present to help seat. Every other pew has been “cordoned off” by the placement of hymnals and Bibles on the seats.
- We ask and encourage that people adhere to CDC guidelines in terms of washing their hands, not touching their faces, and maintaining social distancing while we are together.
- We encourage that if you are sick, or have a temperature, or believe you are an “at risk” person according to CDC guidelines, that you stay home and take advantage of the on-line service opportunity.
- In light of the July 22 Mask Mandate issued by Governor Holcomb, we strongly encourage the use of face coverings as you enter the building, however you will not be turned away should you find it difficult to do so. Our number one concern is the health of our church family as we gather in worship, loving our God as well as our neighbor.
- There will not be an official nursery, with people there to watch children. Yet the nursery room will remain open in case a diaper needs to be changed, or to serve as a cry room if needed.
- Bathrooms are available. Again, please follow CDC guidelines about good hygiene.
- No offering plate will be passed during the worship service, but offering boxes will be available by the sanctuary doors in which you may place your gifts. Again, online giving continues to remain an option.
- Following the worship service, there will be no coffee or snack time. You are encouraged to NOT linger in the narthex. If you want to socialize, we ask that you do so outside, again remembering to maintain proper social distancing guidelines.

SCHOOL NEWS

Retirement Open House for Mrs. Sandi Post: To celebrate Mrs. Post’s 31 years of teaching at DeMotte Christian School, we invite you to an outdoor Open House on Saturday, August 8, from 10:00am-12:00noon at DeMotte Christian School! We will be socially distancing during this event. In case of inclement weather, it will be held in the DMC all-purpose room. We hope you will join us in this awesome celebration! Face masks are required.

DeMotte Christian School Seeking Fall Coaches DeMotte Christian School is seeking coaches for Junior High Soccer and Junior High Volleyball. Schedules can be flexible. Anyone interested or seeking more information should email James Blom, DMC Athletic Director, at jblom@dmcsemail.org.

DeMotte Christian Grade School Announcement

DeMotte Christian School will begin their 74th year on August 12 at 7:45 a.m.! We extend an invitation to our parents, grandparents, and society members to join us for the opening chapel our first day of school at 8:10 a.m. in the All-Purpose room. We ask that you continue to uphold DMC in your daily prayers as we celebrate 74 years of God’s blessings!

SERMON NOTES

9:30 a.m.

Scripture: Verses from Nehemiah 1-3, Nehemiah 4:13-20

Message: “He Didn’t Give Up Much”

6:00 p.m.

Scripture: Mark 15:28, Luke 23:32-43

“3 Crosses 3 Conversations”