



Bethel Christian Reformed Church Sunday, August 16, 2020

Welcome to Bethel Church! Today Pastor Rick resumes his morning series on the book and the person of Joshua, this morning looking at Joshua 3 and the crossing the Jordan River.

During the evening worship and study time we'll be continuing with the Mark manuscript, Mark 1:23-34, about how Jesus healed and cast out demons with authority.

Morning Worship

Welcome
Prayer of Praise
Song of Praise: "Better Is One Day/How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place"
God's Greeting

It is good to praise the Lord
and make music to your name, O Most High,
**to proclaim your love in the morning
and your faithfulness at night,**
to the music of the ten-stringed lyre
and the melody of the harp.
**For you make me glad by your deeds, O Lord;
I sing for joy at the works of your hands.**
How great are your works, O Lord,
how profound your thoughts!
You, O Lord, are exalted forever.

Songs: "He Is Exalted"
"Shout to the Lord"

Reading of Psalm 130
Introduction of Song – "I Will Wait for You"

Prayer
Scripture: Joshua 3
Sermon: **Crossing the Jordan**
Prayer and Closing Song: "Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer"

SERVING TODAY August 16
Piano Amy Dekker
Usher AM: Duane Jansma
Media Shout Scott VanVlymen
Offering Ministries of Bethel and PIM (Schering's)

Evening Worship – 6:00 p.m.

Welcome
Opening Song: "Ten Thousand Reasons"
Prayer
Confession of our Faith: LD1 - HC
"With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring" - vs.1-3

Scripture: Mark 1:24-33
Manuscript study
Prayer
Closing Song: "At the Name of Jesus"

SERVING NEXT WEEK August 23
Piano Dan Zylstra
Usher AM: Duane Jansma
Media Shout Todd Nanninga
Offering Ministries of Bethel and Tuition Assistance

CHURCH FAMILY

New Address: Nathan & Elizabeth DeJong, 12114 Manor Drive, DeMotte, IN 46310
Nate: 708-560-1073, Elizabeth: 219-613-4717

Please continue to pray for:

- * Elmer VanderMolen and his continuing struggle with weakness. Pray that his treatments and transfusions will continue to strengthen and bless him.
- * Pray for our schools, the teachers and the students, as they have begun school last week. Pray for effective learning environments even with all the restrictions and changes brought on by the coronavirus. Pray for the safety and health of all as they gather.
- * Pray that God's people can be people of truth, kindness and grace as they follow Jesus, especially during a time when conspiracy theories are believed and shared by many, when political meanness seems to be the "norm".

THIS WEEKS AGENDA & MEETINGS

Wednesday 7:00pm Worship Team
Thursday 7:00pm Men's Bible Study

WORSHIP TEAM will meet this week Wednesday at 7:00pm.

Men's Bible Study the "BAIT OF SATAN" will meet at 7pm THIS Thursday, August 20 and August 27 to finish the last two lessons. Change of plans, **we will meet upstairs in the sanctuary** to view on the big screen. Contact Russ VanderMolen if you have any questions 219-869-8759.

We are postponing the YPS kick off to September 13. Parents & HS students are invited to the **YPS KICK OFF** lunch on September 13 at noon held at First CRC at the pavilion. Please RSVP to Kim DeVries txt 219-869-2339 or email kmdvrs12@gmail.com by so we can have an accurate number of people (siblings of the high school students are invited). Parents, please make sure to bring: cell phone, insurance information for your student and \$30 YPS fee.

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. 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. 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 Laura Walstra or Pastor Rick. Laura will continue to prep/help with the start of the Sunday School year and has a binder she is putting together to help continue to lead this ministry.

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 if you are sick, 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

DMCS Magazine Sale: DMCS’s Annual Magazine Sale is happening! DMCS students are also selling the delicious Mrs. Fields cookies! Contact a current elementary or high school student or order online at www.gaschoolstore.com and use DMCS’s online store code: 2582989. DMCS receives 40% of each and every order and the students earn awesome prizes! What a wonderful way to place a new subscription or re-new a current one AND support DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc.!

SERMON NOTES

9:30 a.m.

Scripture: Joshua 3

Message: “Crossing the Jordan”

6:00 p.m.

Mark Manuscript Study

Mark 1:23-34