



## Bethel Christian Reformed Church Sunday, November 22, 2020

Welcome to Bethel Church as we worship our Lord together. Whether you are joining us in person or on-line, we are thankful to share this time together! This morning's message will be from Matthew 25:31-46 As Unto Me! During the 5pm service Pastor Rick will look at Mark 6:1-13, the Homecourt Disadvantage.



**“SHOW ME JESUS”** Sunday School: All PK (4 yr) – 6th Grade are invited to join us downstairs immediately after the morning service. Pick-up is 11:45am. All students and teachers are asked to wear a mask. **CATECHISM** for all 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade meets with Pastor Rick in the room next to the kitchen. We will NOT meet next week on November 29<sup>th</sup>.

### MORNING WORSHIP

Welcome

Call to Worship: Daniel 7:13-14

Opening Song: “Ancient of Days”

Prayer of Praise

God's Greeting

“He is Exalted”

“We Fall Down”

Celebrating the King's Decree of Grace in Prayer

“And Can It Be”

Prayers of the People

Scripture: Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon: **As Unto Me**

Prayer

Closing Words:

To him who is able to keep you from falling  
and to present you before his glorious presence  
without fault and with great joy—  
to the only God our Savior  
be glory, majesty, power, and authority,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
before all ages, now and forevermore!

**Amen!**

Closing Song of Praise: “New Doxology”

### 5:00 p.m. SERVICE

Welcome

Song: “There's No God as Great”

Prayer of Praise

“We Praise You, O God”

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Prayers of God's People

Mark 6:1-13

Sermon/Study: **The Homecourt Disadvantage**

Prayer

Closing Song: “Jesus, All for Jesus”

### AGENDA & MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Sunday	10:40am	Sunday School/Catechism
	6:15pm	YPS Meets TONIGHT at 1 <sup>st</sup> CRC
Wednesday	9:30am	Coffee Break will NOT meet

### SERVING TODAY

**November 22**

Piano

Dan Zylstra

Usher AM:

Jon Dekker

Media Shout

Todd Nanninga

Offering

Ministries of Bethel and Benevolence

No offering will be taken during the service, but offering boxes are available by the sanctuary doors to place your gifts. Also, you can use our online giving at [www.bethelcrcdemotte.org](http://www.bethelcrcdemotte.org). Thank you!

### SERVING NEXT WEEK November 29

Piano

Dan Zylstra

Usher AM:

Jon Dekker

Media Shout

Scott VanVlymen

Offering

Ministries of Bethel and Tuition Assistance

**CHURCH FAMILY:** please be in prayer for:

- Elmer VanderMolen
- Suzy VanSchouwen (hip surgery),
- Therese DeVries, as she continues to grieve the loss of her husband Will.
- Al & Mary DeVries, as they mourn the loss of Mary's brother Ron Sipkema
- Luann Recker, at the death of her sister-in-law Ruth Peterson.
- Pray also for the Beezhold family, Steve and Doreen, as they mourn the loss of Steve's mother Judy Beezhold.
- Pray for God's comfort on all who mourn

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Rick & Brenda will be on vacation this coming week. Pastor Jim Stoel will be leading us in our **THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE AT 9:30AM ON THURSDAY – “Give Thanks Even in Darkness”**. Come join us as we celebrate all we are thankful to God for.

### **SERVING THANKSGIVING DAY--November 26**

Piano	Amy Dekker
Usher	Jon Dekker
Media Shout	Scott VanVlymen
Offering	Jasper County Recovery House, Future Capital Improvements, Food Pantry

All undesignated monies will go to the General Fund.

**TODAY is the last opportunity to share what you are thankful for!** Some blank sheets of paper were placed in your mailbox, with the heading **“I am thankful to God for...”**. These will be used in the **Thanksgiving Day** worship service for a prayer time. Please take some time to count your blessings, write them down, and drop them off in a basket on the round table in the narthex so that the congregation’s reflection and input can be used as a part of our Thanksgiving Day Service. Extra sheets are available on the table. You can also **email your “thanks” to Shiela at [bethelcrc@netmitco.net](mailto:bethelcrc@netmitco.net)**.

**NEXT WEEK SUNDAY WE BEGIN OUR ADVENT SEASON.** Pastor Daniel Bloesch will be leading us in worship on our Advent theme for this year **“DO NOT BE AFRAID”!** His morning message will be **“The Antidote to Fear: Knowing Jesus as Our Good Shepherd”**. Pastor Don Jabaay will be leading our 5pm Service **“The Messiah - The Glory of the Lord”**.

**COFFEE BREAK will NOT meet** this week. See you all back on Wednesday, December 2 at 9:30am. as we continue our study on the book of Esther. Nursery is available. We meet in the large hall downstairs to better comply with social distancing and please wear a face mask.

**JR. CADET LEADER:** We are in need of someone to help out with the Cadets and serve as a Jr. Cadet counselor. If you are interested, please contact Dan Walstra, as soon as you can. Thank you.

At our **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** this past Thursday, the following were elected as new office bearers. For elder: Russ Vander Molen and Mike Zickmund. For deacon: Andrew Dunham and Jeremy Visscher. The Lord provided the hearts willing to serve/lead at this time in these respective church roles here at Bethel. A heartfelt thanks is expressed to retiring Council members Rich Buitter and Gary DeVries as elders, and Ryan Schaafsma and Nathan Vanderwal as deacons for their years of service. The proposed budget was voted on and approved. Give thanks to God for his provision! Let us pray that the Lord will bless those who’ve been called to serve in this capacity and will lead Bethel Church into another year of service.

Our congregation is in charge of the **SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS BELL RINGING** at Tysens, for Friday, December 18. A sign-up sheet is on the round table. Please consider signing up for an hour time slot. The money that’s collected in the Salvation Army red buckets is used in Jasper County and in our community as well!

**LIBRARY NEWS:** We are in the process of revamping the library and will have extra books as well as other items available for free downstairs on a table by the library. Please maintain social distancing while you peruse through the items.

Bethel Church, The Good Neighbor Food Pantry wants to thank everyone for their continued generous support with monetary and food donations during the pandemic. We truly have a community and church that volunteers, donates and aids the pantry in many ways. We continue to see a need with regular and new clients and accept food and monetary donations to help these families and seniors. We also thank the newspaper for publishing our information every week. Our ad located in the paper provides the location, address, hours, requirements and pantry phone number.

### **SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**DMCS FALL SUPPER (RESCHEDULED!)** This year’s DMCS Fall Supper has officially been rescheduled to Tuesday, December 1. We are excited to again welcome the chicken bus, along with its famous broasted chicken, potatoes, rolls, and coleslaw, plus our own desserts! This year for the first time ever, it will be a drive-up, take-out style meal, served safely from 5-7pm in front of Covenant Christian High School. Please check out the DMCS Facebook event page for more information!

**BOXED CARD SALE:** Remaining inventory of boxed cards will be sold at \$1 off each box until they are gone! They are located in the DMC office.

**THE SHEETS LADY (Nov 5-23):** Support Washington DC trip students with your order! Students earn 25% of all sales...sheets are only \$40/set. Visit [www.sheetslady.com](http://www.sheetslady.com) to place your order. Upon checkout, enter “DMCS (plus the student’s first initial and last name)” in the fundraiser code box.

**DMCS PAMPERED CHEF FUNDRAISER (Nov 9-23)** Looking to get your Christmas shopping done early? All orders are online [www.pamperedchef.com/party/demottechristian2020](http://www.pamperedchef.com/party/demottechristian2020) and shipped directly to your home and in plenty of time for Christmas! Visit the Facebook event page for information!

**DMC’S SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR – Nov. 13-23** - will look different this year...students will make wish lists and have carts of books to view. Shop online at [scholastic.com/fair](http://scholastic.com/fair). Check out the daily raffles on Facebook, too!

### **DMCS Important Dates:**

November 5-20:	“The Sheets Lady” Fundraiser
November 9-23:	DMCS Pampered Chef Fundraiser
November 10:	Butter Braid pick up at CCHS, 2-3pm
November 13-23:	Scholastic Book Fair
November 21:	DC Breakfast Fundraiser (POSTPONED)
December 1:	DMCS Fall Chicken “Drive-Up Dinner” at CCHS, 5-7pm

**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 during this time.
- Usher 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, that you stay home and take advantage of the on-line service opportunity.
- In light of the Mask Mandate by Governor Holcomb, we strongly encourage the use of face coverings as you enter and exit 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. Nursery 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 service, there will be no coffee or snack time. You are encouraged to NOT linger in the narthex, wear a mask and follow social distancing guidelines.

**SERMON NOTES**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Scripture: Matthew 25:31-46**

**Message: “As Unto Me”**

**5:00 p.m. Service**

**Scripture: Mark 6:1-13**

**Message: “The Homecourt Disadvantage”**