

Sunday, January 17, 2021



Ephesians 4:29-32

“Kindness”

Bethel Christian Reformed Church

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9:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Services

WELCOME TO BETHEL CHURCH This morning Pastor Rick continues a new brief series: **“Praying for a Better Year”**. I know we certainly all hope and pray 2021 will be better than 2020 was in many ways. But how could we as God’s children participate in 2021 being a better year? We will look at a number of things that can help us not only survive but thrive as God’s children in the year to come. This morning we will be looking at Ephesians 4:29-32 and “Kindness”. **During our 5pm Service** our Bible Study Message will be from Mark 6:30-44 **“The Shepherd Supplies All Our Needs”**.



Sunday School and Catechism **“SHOW ME JESUS”** for all children PK (4 yr.) – 6th grade meet downstairs immediately after the morning service. **Pastor Rick’s CATECHISM** for all 7th thru 12th grades meet in the room next to the kitchen. Visitors are welcome!

MORNING WORSHIP

Gathering Song: “Open Up the Heavens”

Welcome

Call to Worship

Prayer

God’s Greeting

Time of Praise

- “Beautiful One”
- “My Jesus, I Love Thee”

Prayer of Confession

Song: “His Mercy Is More”

Prayers of God’s People

Ephesians 4:29-32

Sermon: **Praying for a Better Year: Kindness**

Prayer

Blessing

Closing Song: “In Our Lives, Lord, Be Glorified”:

SERVING TODAY

Piano

Usher AM:

Media Shout

Offering

January 17

Marla VanderMolen

Joseph Dekker

Scott VanVlymen

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. Thank you!

EVENING SERVICE 5 PM



Opening Worship:

- Welcome
- Scripture – Psalm 23
- Prayer
- Songs:
 - “Praise My Soul the King of Heaven”
 - “Children of the Heavenly Father”

Prayers of the People

Mark 6:30-44

Bible Study Message: **The Shepherd Supplies All Our Needs**

Prayer

Song: “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

SERVING NEXT WEEK January 24

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| Piano | Dan Zylstra |
| Usher AM: | Steve Reimers |
| Media Shout | Todd Nanninga |
| Offering | Ministries of Bethel and Cadets |

CHURCH FAMILY: please be in prayer for:

- Donna VanVuren, as she recovers from her surgery. She seems to be doing well, thankful for the Lord’s healing thus far.
- Elmer VanderMolen, and his continuing need for strength in the face of his blood disorder. Pray for strength and grace.
- Elizabeth Boerner, who is currently in the hospital because of covid and a touch of pneumonia, on top of how it’s affecting her while she’s continuing chemo treatments for cancer. Pray for healing for her, restoration, and peace both for her, and her daughter Esther.

Thank you to the congregation for your many cards and prayers over the passing of my sister Thelma. Also, thank you for all your prayers for Elmer. They are much appreciated. Elmer & Norma

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXECUTIVE TEAM will meet Tuesday at 7pm.

WORSHIP TEAM will meet this week Wednesday at 7pm.

Tax time is right around the corner. If any members of the congregation would like a receipt of giving for the 2020 tax year, please contact Dan Zylstra at 708-341-2155 or djzylstra@gmail.com.

COFFEE BREAK meets on Wednesday at 9:30am. If you have thought about coming to Coffee Break this would be a good time to start. We began a new study on Nehemiah. We meet in the big hall downstairs to accommodate for social distancing and please wear a mask. Nursery is provided! If you have any questions, contact Velma Ouwenga or Brenda Vanderwal.

The preferred Bethel email for the congregation to use is bethelcrc@netnitco.net. Please do not use the bethel gmail that was set up for the Bethel prayer chain and weekly updates from Pastor Rick. Messages are not always checked regularly on that account and may possibly get missed. Thank you!

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 **THRU THE END OF JANUARY ONLY** so take a look!. Any books left will be donated to the Bible League. Please maintain social distancing while you peruse through the items. New items have been added to the free table as well as a few books added to the library. **Stop and check them out!**

We welcome anyone who might be visiting with us 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.
- 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.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Christian Reformed Church Preschool is looking for a part time preschool teacher. The position is two days a week from 7:30-3:30. Days (and times if you can only do AM or PM) can be negotiated. If you're interested, please call Jill Dahm at 219-819-3501.

“Bags for Bucks” Fundraiser: 7th and 8th grade students will be selling trash bags for \$14 per roll to offset costs for their Washington, DC trip! The bags are 100% recycled plastic and as much as 2 times thicker than most found in stores! You may purchase more than one item in the checkout menu [here](#).

Tysen’s Our Family Labels: Help DMC earn money through the Direct Your Labels program! We’re collecting Our Family® labels and for every 500 labels we collect, we will earn \$25 – and there’s no limit to the number of times we can earn the reward! Drop your UPC barcodes off in the DMC foyer.

DMCS Important Dates:

January 5-19: “Bags for Bucks” Fundraiser