

Sunday, January 31, 2021



Romans 12:1-2, Philippians 2:1-4

“Looking Beyond Yourself”

Bethel Christian Reformed Church

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

WELCOME TO BETHEL CHURCH Pastor Rick continues his 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 Romans 12:1-2 and Philippians 2:1-4 “Looking Beyond Yourself”. **During our 5pm Service** our Bible Study Message will be from Mark 7: 1-23 “Truly Clean”.



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

Welcome

Psalm 90:1-2

Opening Song: “Ancient of Days”

God’s Greeting

1 Chronicles 29:10-13

“God You Reign”

Prayer

“When Peace Like a River”

Scripture: Ephesians 1:3-10

“That’s Why We Praise Him”

Prayers of the People

Scripture: Romans 12:1-2, Philippians 2:1-4

Message: **Praying for a Better Year – Looking Beyond Yourself**

Prayer

Parting Blessing

“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

SERVING TODAY

Piano

Usher AM:

Media Shout

Offering

January 31

Dan Zylstra

Steve Reimers

Scott VanVlymen

Ministries of Bethel and PIM – Schering’s in Papua New Guinea

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

Welcome

Confession of our Faith: Apostles' Creed

Prayer of Praise

Psalm 96:1-9

Songs:

- “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
- “Holy, Holy, Holy”
- “Create In Me a Clean Heart”

Prayers of the People

Scripture: Mark 7:1-23

Mark Sermon Study: **Truly Clean**

Closing Song – “Knowing You”

CHURCH FAMILY:

- Pray for Fran Kros, that the Lord will give her strength and peace as she and Rich wait for MRI results from last week's test.
- Pray also for Elmer VanderMolen, that he might experience much grace and peace as he struggles with lack of strength.
- Congratulations to Mason & Tina (Eenigenburg) Miller who were blessed with the birth of a baby girl, Lois Kay on Wednesday. Another grandchild for Rick & Kristi!

SERVING NEXT WEEK February 7

Nursery	Stephanie Konvalinka, Lisa Zylstra
Piano	Amy Dekker
Usher AM:	Larry Ouwenga
Media Shout	Ryan Schaafsma
Offering	Ministries of Bethel and DMCS Inc.

THIS WEEKS MEETINGS

Sunday	10:50am	Sunday School & Catechism
Tuesday	1:30pm	Ladies Afternoon Bible Study
Wednesday	9:30am	Coffee Break
	7:00pm	GEMS & Cadets

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Beginning next week Sunday, February 7th **NURSERY WILL OPEN** for the morning service. Any questions see Stephanie. We are starting out with the moms of nursery children taking turns.

Ladies Afternoon Bible Study would like to commence the first Tuesday in February, Feb. 2, at 1:30 pm. Those who feel comfortable joining us, we will meet downstairs in the basement allowing for more distancing. We will now have an elevator to assist those needing help with the stairs. Study lesson 4 and encourage anyone who has thought they might like to join us to please do so. We'll have lots of room and are excited to study God's Word with you.

COFFEE BREAK meets on Wednesday at 9:30am. We are doing a 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.

CADETS IS PLANNING TO START back up this week Wednesday, Feb. 3 at 7pm. All boys 1st thru 8th grade are invited. We will meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday's. Due to the time of year, we are going to transition immediately into making derby cars. With the limited amount of space at our facility and the number of boys we have participating – the boys will be required to wear masks for the duration of each meeting. See you all Wednesday night!

IT'S TIME TO START GEMS! Wednesday, Feb 3, will be our first meeting. Please drop your girls off by 7:00 pm (with their mask) and pick up at 8:30. If you didn't already turn in your paper work please send that with your daughter or I will have extras inside to fill out. We will plan on meeting on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays through April. Thank you for your understanding with this unusual year!

YPS OUTING TO JAK'S WAREHOUSE: Feb. 27 - leaving church at 11:30. Return time is around 4:30. RSVP your spot no later than Feb. 15. May bring a friend, but liability forms are required. Plan to eat lunch at Jak's. No cost besides extra for a snack. Church and Jak's warehouse *liability forms required* before attending the event. Contact Kim @ kmdvrs12@gmail.com with questions.

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.

LIBRARY NEWS: Today is the last opportunity to look thru the free items from the library. Any books left will be donated to the Bible League. Please maintain social distancing while you peruse through the items. Planning on ordering new books soon. We will update you when they arrive!

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. Nursery will reopen on February 7th for the am service only.
- 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

Superintendent Needed – DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc. is seeking applicants for the Superintendent position for the 2021-2022 school year. Applicants must hold at least a Master’s degree in education administration or business (MBA), have at least three years of experience in educational administration or leadership, fully embrace the school’s statement of beliefs, and is an active member of a church with a Reformed persuasion. Please contact David Ritter, at dritter@csionline.org for additional information

The annual **Carrying on the Promise Drive** to support the General Fund for DMCS is currently in progress. If you would like to contribute, a check made out to DMCS Inc. can be sent to DeMotte Christian Schools, PO Box 430, DeMotte, IN 46310 or dropped off at one of the schools. You may also donate online at www.demottechristianschools.org. If you’re unable to give this year, please pray for our schools. Thank you for your support!

For **up-to-date information on all athletic events**, visit eventlink.com! Choose the calendars you want to see, get live notifications about schedule changes and cancellations, and receive a daily event summary from the calendar(s) YOU choose!

DMCS Important Dates:

February 2:	DMCS Board Meeting - 7pm
February 12 & 15:	NO SCHOOL
February 16:	DMC In-House Science and History Fair
February 16-19:	DMCS’ “We LOVE Our Grandparents” Week watch FaceBook for details!
February 20:	DMCS Music Competition
March 2:	DMCS Board Meeting - 7pm
March 5:	CCHS Service Dinner (drive thru)
March 18:	PIE Spring Dinner (drive thru)
March 22-26:	Spring Break
April 2 & 5:	NO SCHOOL
April 13:	DMCS Annual Society Meeting

9:30 a.m.

Scripture: Romans 12:1-2, Philippians 2:1-4

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5:00pm Service

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SERMON NOTES