



## Bethel Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, January 8, 2023

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

**WE WELCOME YOU TO WORSHIP** whether in person or online. Welcome any visitors who have chosen to join us! Please take a welcome mug from the table in the narthex.

Today we welcome Pastor Don Jabaay to Bethel who will lead our services. We will celebrate the Lord's Supper together, and also install our new elders and deacons. Elders: Rick Eenigenburg, Jon Dekker and Gary DeVries. Deacons: Nathan Vanderwal and Brent VanSchouwen. Thank you to our outgoing Elders: Larry Ouwenga, Mike Zickmund and Hank VanderWall and deacons Andrew Dunham and Dan Zylstra. Thank you for serving.

This morning we celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Our celebration is a faith-building reminder of God's promise to us of forgiveness and grace through the blood of Christ, shed on the cross. If you confess Jesus Christ as both your Savior and Lord, are sorry for sin and desire to live in dependence on God's grace, we welcome you to join with us in celebrating communion!

Next week we welcome Pastor Tim Toeset who will lead us in worship. In the morning he will look at Psalm 145 – "One Great God". At the 5pm service "A Knowable God" from Romans 1:16-23.

**"SUPERBOOK ACADEMY" Sunday School** will resume on January 15, 2023!

### **SERVING TODAY**

#### **January 8**

Nursery: Stephanie, Heidi  
Piano: Amy  
Usher AM: Steve  
Greeters: Brent & Suzy (E), Scott & Nanci (S).  
Media Shout: Katie  
Offering: Ministries of Bethel & Brett & Sue VanderMolen serving in Cambodia

### **SERVING NEXT WEEK**

#### **January 15**

Nursery: Bailee, Carli  
Piano: Marla  
Usher AM: Steve  
Greeters: Brent & Suzy (E), Scott & Nanci (S).  
Sunday School: Phyllis H, Sandy P  
Media Shout: Scott  
Offering: Ministries of Bethel and Getz's with the Navigators

You can continue to give online at [www.bethelcrcdemotte.org](http://www.bethelcrcdemotte.org). Thank you!

## MORNING WORSHIP

Pastor Don Jabaay

Welcome and Call to Worship:

\*Please Stand for Opening Song: "How Great Is Our God"

\*God's Greeting

\*Mutual Greetings

\*Time of Praise:

"He Is Exalted"

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Installation Service of new Elders and Deacons

Elders: Rick Eenigenburg, Jon Dekker, Gary DeVries

Deacons: Nathan Vanderwal, Brent VanSchouwen

Offering will be received for: Ministries of Bethel and Brett & Sue VanderMolen

We Offer our Prayers to God

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12 (pg. 1497)

Message: **It's Wise to...**

Prayer

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

Apostles' Creed

Lord's Day 28: Q & A 77

Lord's Prayer

We Share the Cup

We Share the Drink

\*Please Stand for God's Parting Blessing

\*Closing Song: "As with Gladness Men of Old" vs. 1-3

## 5PM WORSHIP

Welcome

- Please Stand for Opening Song: "O Praise the Lord for It Is Good"

Opening Prayer

- Time of Praise:  
"Children of the Heavenly Father"  
"Father, Long Before Creation"

Time of Prayer

Scripture: John 17:20-26 (pg. 1680)

Message: **"Christ's Prayer for His Church"**

- Please Stand for God's Blessing
- Closing Song: "Jesus, With Your Church Abide"

**CHURCH FAMILY: PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP IN PRAYER:**

- Elmer & Norma, Wayne & Carolyn, Andy & Cheryl, Barb E, Ted & Donna, Rich K.
- Prayers for the McNeill family as they laid a loved one to rest this week. Dorisann Mc Neill, wife of Bruce, passed away on Tuesday. The Celebration of Life Service was held Saturday.

**THIS WEEK AT BETHEL**

Wednesday 6:15pm Cadets

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CADETS** will meet this week Wednesday at 1st CRC from 6:15pm-8:15pm.

**COFFEE BREAK** will resume on January 18<sup>th</sup>. We will begin a new study so this would be a good time to come and join us and invite a friend or neighbor! We meet on Wednesday's 9:30-11:00am. Nursery is provided. If interested, see Velma for a study book.

Please have **ALL bulletin announcements** sent to church email at [bethelcrc@netnitco.net](mailto:bethelcrc@netnitco.net) by 5pm on Wednesday's of each week. Thank you!

There is or soon will be a letter in each of your mailboxes from your **2023 CARE GROUP ELDER AND DEACON**. Should you or your family have a need or a prayer request, please contact your Care Group elder or deacon. We will do our best to assist you with our service and through our prayers.

**ANew Ministries** invites you to a Launch Dinner for Teen Mother Choices of Demotte at Embers Venue on Thursday January 19th from 6:00-8:00PM. **PLEASE RSVP BY JANUARY 11TH** to Stacey Tolkamp if you plan on attending, [Tolhouse5@hotmail.com](mailto:Tolhouse5@hotmail.com) or if you would like to learn about the Teen Mother Choices program and how you can volunteer check us out at [www.anewministries.org](http://www.anewministries.org)

**NEXT WEEK SUNDAY IS SANCTITY OF LIFE SUNDAY!** On January 22, 1984, President Ronald Reagan issued a presidential proclamation designating the third Sunday of January as National Sanctity of Human Life Day. Pastors, churches and life organizations across the United States use this day to bring awareness to the attacks that are daily waged against human life through the abortion industry. One of the best ways we can protect unborn lives is by bringing into the light the darkness of abortion, and supporting local organizations who daily reach women and families with messages of hope and life. Roe has fallen, and God is on the move. Despite the opposition, He is not shrinking back and neither are we. God is unstoppable and so are you!

LD 28 Q & A 77 - Used for morning worship during Lord's Supper  
(also on the overhead screen)

Q. Where does Christ promise to nourish and refresh believers with his body and blood as surely as they eat this broken bread and drink this cup?

A. In the institution of the Lord's Supper:

"The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said,

'This is my body, which is for you:  
do this in remembrance of me.'

In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying,

'This cup is the new covenant in my blood;  
do this, whenever you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.'

For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

This promise is repeated by Paul in these words:

"Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ?  
And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?  
Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf."

**Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our debts,

as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from the evil one.

For yours is the kingdom

and the power

and the glory forever. Amen.

## **SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS** **CARRYING ON THE PROMISE**

We are blessed to share with the community the wonderful ways God has been working at DeMotte Christian Schools for over 75 years! We have an enrollment of nearly 520 students in grades preschool through 12 and are continually encouraged by the growth and progress each student exhibits during their time at DMCS. We praise God for His provision and pray He continues to guide us as we provide strong academic and spiritual foundations for our students.

As you know, growing the ministry of DMCS requires the faithful effort and support of many people. All the ways you lift up DeMotte Christian Schools are valued and vital to the growth of our student body and, in turn, God's kingdom. One way that we are seeking immediate support is through financial gifts toward our annual Carrying on the Promise campaign. This campaign helps us to continue fulfilling the promise of Christian education to God's covenant children.

Our goal this year is to raise \$130,000 through the Carrying on the Promise campaign. We are seeing a large influx of families inquiring about DMCS. More and more parents are wanting quality, Biblically-based education for their children. As our school grows and thrives, we are in need of increased resources to adequately provide the best education we can. We are extremely blessed to be able to minister to future generations and shape their Biblical worldview. We'd be so grateful for your support during this season of growth! If you would like more information on the Carrying on the Promise Campaign or want to make a donation, feel free to contact our Finance Manager, Shelley Dexter, 219-987-3721 ext. 112.

## **2023-2024 ENROLLMENT INFORMATION**

We are very excited to announce the enrollment information for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year. Please find the timeline below:

**Preschool-Kindergarten Sign-ups Timeline** (sign-ups will be done via a Google Form that will be available on our website, social media, and newsletter)

- Current Families 12/1-1/15
- New Families 1/9-15

**Grades 1-12 Re-enrollment and Admission Timeline** (this will be completed via FACTS)

- Staff & Current Families 12/15-1/15
- 2023-2024 Application opens for new families on 1/16

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE:** Here we grow! We broke ground on September 29th, and Phase 1 of the building project has officially begun! We are expectant and hopeful about the big things God is doing within our schools. More information is available on our website and if you would like to partner with us, please email Buddy Hucks at [lhucks@dmcsemail.org](mailto:lhucks@dmcsemail.org) or Shelley Dexter at [sdexter@dmcsemail.org](mailto:sdexter@dmcsemail.org). Thank you!

**NOW HIRING! RESTORED RESALE** is looking to hire part-time support staff starting in August for weekdays and Saturdays. Duties include cashiering, sorting and pricing donations, cleaning the store, etc. For more information or to request a job application, please email Carrie Rossi at [rossi4ukraine@yahoo.com](mailto:rossi4ukraine@yahoo.com). Thank you!

## **PART-TIME PRESCHOOL TEACHER**

DeMotte Christian Schools is growing and planning to expand its preschool program. With a building project expected to be completed at the Middle/High School campus by July of 2023, DMCS is looking for qualified candidates to join our team. DeMotte Christian Schools is located about an hour southeast

of Chicago in Northwest Indiana in a community that has strongly supported Christian education for the past 76 years. DMCS is anticipating to add at least one additional PK 3-year-old class and at least one additional PK 4-year-old class. This part-time position is expected to be a 40% position with the potential of more depending on enrollment. It is highly likely this position could be combined with another position to become full-time. Applicants must hold a bachelor's degree in early childhood or elementary education from an accredited college or university, agree fully with the school's statement of beliefs, be an active member of a church with a Reformed persuasion, and be able to teach young children well. Opportunities to lead extracurricular activities or athletics are also available.

- Dan Weaver DeMotte Christian Grade & Middle School
- Phone: 219.987.3721 Email: [dweaver@dmcsemail.org](mailto:dweaver@dmcsemail.org)

## **PART-TIME GRADE SCHOOL PARAPROFESSIONAL**

DeMotte Christian Grade School is accepting applications for part-time paraprofessionals for second semester beginning in January of 2023. The ideal candidates should be an active member of a church, preferably a church from a Reformed persuasion. Candidates should be able to collaborate with classroom teachers, be flexible, and have a passion for working with children. Candidates with experience or having a degree in education are preferred but not necessary. If interested, please submit your cover letter, resume, and a completed general application to the contact below.

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## **DMCS JOB OPENINGS FOR 2022-2023**

### **PART-TIME HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION TEACHER**

DeMotte Christian High School is looking for a qualified individual who is skilled in construction and passionate about sharing their knowledge with high school students. This candidate should have a strong Christian faith, adhere to Reformed values, be flexible in their availability, and be proficient in various aspects of building trades. If interested, please complete the teacher application and submit it to the contact below.

- Richard DeFries DeMotte Christian High School
- Phone: 219.987.7651 Email: [rdefries@dmcsemail.org](mailto:rdefries@dmcsemail.org)

**BUS DRIVER** - DMCS is looking for bus drivers for the 2022-2023 school year. A CDL license is required, but if the applicant doesn't hold this license, DMCS will pay for any necessary training. If interested, please reach out to the contact below.

- Richard DeFries DeMotte Christian High School Principal
- Phone: 219.987.7651 Email: [rdefries@dmcsemail.org](mailto:rdefries@dmcsemail.org)

### **HIGH SCHOOL SUBSTITUTE SECRETARY**

DeMotte Christian High School is looking for someone willing to serve as a substitute secretary for the school when our full-time secretary is unable to be here. Training will be made available to this applicant in advance to provide for a smooth transition into our school. The days needed will vary based on specific needs. If interested, please complete an application and submit it to the contact below.

- Richard DeFries DeMotte Christian High School Principal
- Phone: 219.987.7651 Email: [rdefries@dmcsemail.org](mailto:rdefries@dmcsemail.org)

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**SUBSTITUTE TEACHER** DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc. is always accepting applications for substitute teachers. This position's main responsibility is to substitute for teachers when necessary. The ideal candidate should have strong Christian values, flexibility in their schedule, a love for teaching students, and preferably experience working with children/students. Background checks are required. If interested, please contact Buddy Hucks, Superintendent, at [lhucks@dmcsemail.org](mailto:lhucks@dmcsemail.org), or 219-987-3721. Applications may be found at [www.demottechristianschools.org](http://www.demottechristianschools.org), under the "About" tab drop-down menu, "Employment Opportunities" tab.

**DMCS Important Dates:**

1/9: Students return