



Bethel Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, July 25, 2021

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

We welcome you to worship today at Bethel. This morning Pastor Rick will be preaching on 2 Samuel 11:1-15, on the giant that defeated king David. During the afternoon service, Pastor Rick continues with a sermon series on the book of Amos, looking at Amos 7.

Today marks the second week of a month of “hospitality Sundays” in which we are being encouraged to consider opening our home to others, whether today, or sometime during the week, for a meal, a coffee/tea-time, a drink, as an opportunity to deepen our fellowship with one another. Who is someone you’d like to get to know better? Who have you not had the opportunity to get to know that much yet? Consider remedying that, sometime in the next 4-5 weeks, by extending an invitation!

We welcome Jeffrey Bolt, director of advancement of the CRC in North America, who will join us during our morning worship, share a brief presentation about what has been happening in our denomination through ministry shares and how our pledges are being used to make a difference in God’s kingdom.

Next week Pastor Rick and Brenda will be on vacation. We welcome Pastor Zoerhof as he leads the morning worship, and Mr. Jared Luttjeboer who will lead the afternoon service.

CHURCH FAMILY --Please keep in prayer:

* Elmer and Norma VanderMolen

* Rich and Fran Kros

* Bill VanderWoude. Pray for complete healing.

* Ted and Donna Hoekstra New address: Towne Centre, 7250 Arthur Blvd, Merrillville, IN 46410

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We have a great opportunity to join with others in our community to help out with the 8th annual **BACK TO SCHOOL FAIR**. Volunteers are needed on August 6 & 7. Call Karen at 219-863-2692 to sign up for a time. Thank you in advance for your help - Bethel Outreach Team

GriefShare: The DeMotte United Methodist Church is hosting the Griefshare program, to bless, comfort, and encourage people after they have experienced the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend. The program will be held Mondays, from 6-7:30 p.m., from August 2 through November 1, at the DeMotte UMC building at 227 N Halleck St. for more information, check out:

www.griefshare.org.

MORNING WORSHIP

Welcome

Opening Song – “Come Christians Join to Sing”

Prayer

God’s Greeting

Songs of Praise

- “Goodness of God”
- “Christ Our Hope in Life and Death”

Prayer of Confession

Song of Response: “Just As I Am”

God’s Will for Our Lives – our Memory Work – Philippians 4:8-9

We welcome Jeffrey Bolt, director of Advancement for the CRCNA

Morning Prayers

Scripture: 2 Samuel 11:1-15

Sermon: **A Giant that Defeated David**

Prayer

God’s Parting Blessing

Closing Song: “Lead On O King Eternal”

SERVING TODAY

Nursery:

Piano:

Usher AM:

Media Shout

Offering

July 25

Stephanie Konvalinka, Morgan Schaafsma

Dan Zylstra

Steve Reimers

Todd Nanninga

Ministries of Bethel and Food Pantry

SERVING NEXT WEEK August 1

Nursery:

Bailee Jansma, Heidi Dunham

Piano:

Amy Dekker

Usher AM:

Larry Ouwenga

Media Shout

Schaafsma’s

Offering

Ministries of Bethel and DMCS Inc.

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!

AFTERNOON WORSHIP

Welcome

Song of Praise: “Now With Joyful Exultation”

Prayer

Song: “This is My Father’s World”

Confession of our Faith – Our World Belongs to God - #39-40

39. The church is a gathering
of forgiven sinners called to be holy.

Saved by the patient grace of God,
we deal patiently with others
and together confess our need
for grace and forgiveness.

*Restored in Christ’s presence,
shaped by his life,
this new community lives out
the ongoing story of God’s reconciling love,
announces the new creation,
and works for a world of justice and peace.*

40. We grieve that the church,
which shares one Spirit, one faith, one hope,
and spans all time, place, race, and language,
has become a broken communion in a broken world.

When we struggle
for the truth of the gospel
and for the righteousness God demands,
we pray for wisdom and courage.

When our pride or blindness
hinders the unity of God’s household,
we seek forgiveness.

We marvel that the Lord gathers the broken pieces
to do his work
and that he blesses us still
with joy, new members,
and surprising evidences of unity.

*We commit ourselves to seeking and expressing
the oneness of all who follow Jesus,
and we pray for brothers and sisters
who suffer for the faith.*

Prayers of God’s People

Scripture: Amos 7

Sermon: **How Can We Measure Up**

Prayer

Parting Blessing

Closing Song: “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

DMCS Food Truck Festival DMCS is hosting a community-wide Food Truck Festival on Saturday, July 31, from 5-8 pm at Covenant Christian High School! Come eat some yummy food and fellowship with us before school starts! Proceeds benefit DMCS. Please park in the back lot

DeMotte Christian Grade School/Covenant Christian High School Registration Date

If you were not able to attend the July 22 student registration, come the evening of Tuesday, July 27, from 6-8pm to complete registration of your child(ren). This registration night is intended for ALL parents of DMC and CCHS students enrolled for the 2021-2022 school year. It allows parents to complete necessary forms, pick up vital information, ask questions, make financial arrangements, etc. All parents must plan to attend one of these evenings. If you have children at both schools, you will need to visit both schools.

DMCS SEEKING INSTRUCTORS

Due to an increasing enrollment, DeMotte Christian Schools is in search of a full-time Junior High OR High School teacher. The position would primarily be English Language Arts while also having the ability to teach either geometry, Spanish, and/or physical education. Applicants must hold at least a baccalaureate degree 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 demonstrate the ability to teach children well. Although it is not a requirement, it is preferred that this candidate would possess leadership qualities or a special education background. If interested, please email Dan Weaver, Assistant Principal, a resume and an application to dweaver@dmcsemail.org. An application can be found at <https://www.demottechristianschools.org/employment-opportunities/>.

Covenant Christian High School is looking for someone in the construction field to teach a Construction class during the first period of the day. The goal is to find someone that cannot only share information needed for the construction field, but also allow for some visits to worksites where students may be able to get some hands-on experience in the field. If you are interested, please contact CCHS Principal, Rick DeFries at (219) 987-7651 or by cell phone at (574) 242-0313. He can also be reached by email at rdefries@dmcsemail.org.

DMCS Important Dates:

July 27:	DMCS Registration Night, 6pm-8pm
July 31:	Food Truck Festival @ CCHS, 5-8pm
August 9/10:	Teacher In-Service
August 10:	DMC Junior High Orientation, 6:30-7:30pm
August 11:	First Day of School (K - grade 12)
August 12:	DMCS Magazine/Tumbler/Cookie Dough Fundraiser Begins
August 23:	First Day of School PK4
August 24:	First Day of School PK3
August 26:	DMCS Magazine/Tumbler/Cookie Dough Fundraiser Ends