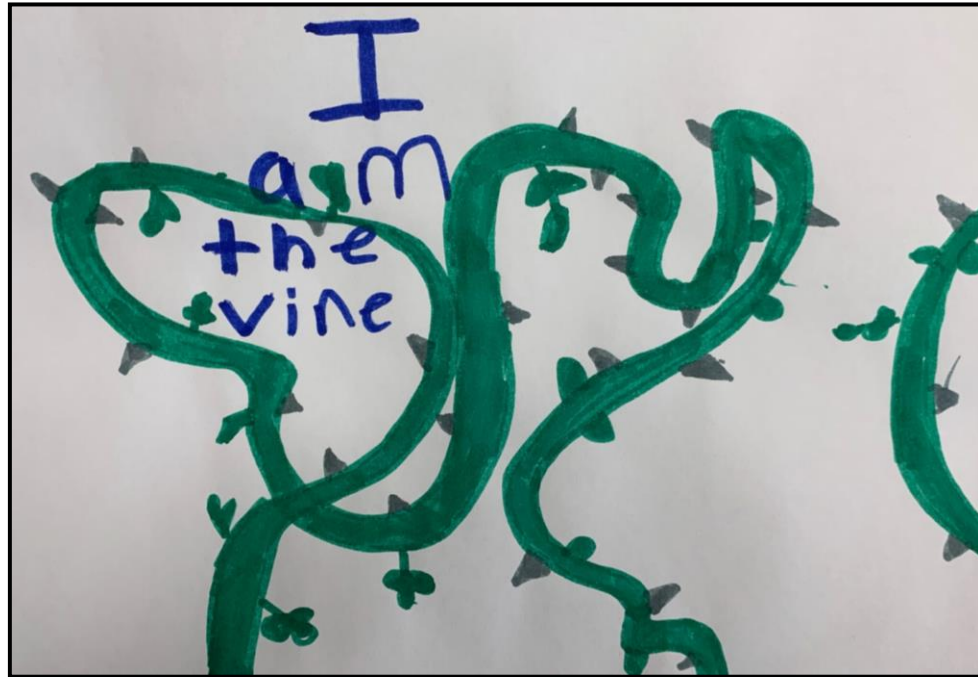


Third Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 20, 2022



John 15:1-8

“I AM...the vine”

Bethel Christian Reformed Church

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

Welcome to Bethel Church! Whether in person, or online, we hope your time spent worshipping the Lord will be a blessing. Visitors, please take a mug from the table in the back of church.

Today is the Third Sunday in Lent. We will use this Lenten season to consider who Jesus is in the words and from the perspective of Jesus himself. In the gospel of John, Jesus declares who he is SEVEN times - In declaring who he is, Jesus also teaches us how he meets our deepest needs and offers himself as our greatest satisfaction! We look forward to our journey together with Jesus, the great I AM! This morning we explore Jesus' declaration: I Am the Vine.

Thank you to Belle K for her art work this week for our bulletin cover – “I AM...the Vine”.

We welcome Pastor Tim Toeset. He will be looking at “I AM... the Vine” and teaching the necessity for us as the branches to remain in Jesus the vine during the morning worship. At the 5pm service he will lead us from Galatians 3:23-4:7 “Children of God”.



“SHOW ME JESUS” Sunday School for all PK (4 yr.) – 6th Grade and Catechism for all 7th – 12th graders **will NOT meet** this week March 20th or March 27th for Spring Break. See you all back April 3.

SERVING TODAY

March 20

Nursery: Stephanie K., Lisa Z.
Piano: Marla
Usher AM: Mike Z.
Greeters: Hank & Marlene (S), Jon & Phillis (E).
Media Shout: Scott V
Offering: Ministries of Bethel and World Renew

SERVING NEXT WEEK

March 27

Nursery: Heidi D. Sue B.
Piano: Amy
Usher AM: Mike Z.
Greeters: Hank & Marlene (S), Jon & Phillis (E).
Media Shout: Todd N
Offering: Ministries of Bethel and World Rehoboth

Beginning today, deacons will once again receive the offering during the service as a part of worship. You can continue to give online as well at www.bethelcrcdemotte.org. Thank you!

World Renew Thanks You for Your Gift of Hope - Thank you for your generosity and for joining World Renew's Disaster Response Services in extending Christ's love to survivors of disaster. Your gifts help Disaster Response Services volunteers to rebuild and repair homes in vulnerable communities that have been impacted by disaster, renewing hope for the future. If you would like to learn more about how World Renew is answering God's call for justice and mercy, please visit: worldrenew.net

MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday 10:45am Sunday School & Catechism will **NOT** meet
Wednesday 9:30am Coffee Break will **NOT** meet

MORNING WORSHIP

Welcome

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 93)

Our God reigns!

Robed with majesty and armed with strength,

God holds our world and our lives securely.

This is the God to whom we have given our lives—

the God who deserves our worship and our praise!

Opening Song: “Majesty” – W/C 74

God’s Greeting

Mutual Greetings

Songs of Praise:

- “May the Peoples Praise You”
- “Christ Our Hope in Life and Death”

Moment of silent personal prayer, confessing to God.

- “Cleanse Me” – W/C 439:1-2

God’s Will for our lives – Colossians 1:9-14

- “Cleanse Me” – W/C 439:3-4

Offering, for Ministries of Bethel and World Renew

Prayers of God’s people

Scripture: John 15:1-8

Sermon: **I Am...the Vine**

Prayer

Song of Response: “Spirit of the Living God” (2 verses)

Parting Blessing.

Closing Song: “Benediction Song”

CHURCH FAMILY – Please continue to pray for:

- Please continue to keep Elmer VM, Corky B, Ted and Donna H, and others who are currently confined to home or struggle with health issues.
- Please remain in prayer for the situation in Ukraine. Pray for an end to the conflict, and a stop to the aggression.
- Pray for traveling mercies for Pastor Rick & Brenda and a time of refreshment and renewal.

Gary and Dianne want to thank you for the sympathy cards and prayers concerning the passing of their Mother; Leona "Dolly" DeVries. We were comforted knowing our wonderful Bethel family was walking along beside us and we rejoice together knowing our Mother is with the Lord.

5PM AFTERNOON WORSHIP

Welcome

Opening Song: “I Give You My Heart”

Prayer for God’s Blessing on Worship

Scripture: 1 John 3:1-3

Songs:

- “It is Good to Sing Your Praises”
- “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”
- “The Wonder of It All”

Confession of our Faith: Apostles’ Creed

Prayers of God’s People

Scripture: Galatians 3:23-4:7

Sermon: **Children of God**

Prayer

Benediction

Closing Song: “How Vast the Benefits Divine”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COFFEE BREAK meets on Wednesday’s from 9:30am-11am. Nursery Provided. We will NOT MEET on March 23 due to spring break.

CADETS will NOT meet this week Wednesday but they will meet on Wednesday, March 30th.

Today is the last day to bring in your donations to Anew ministries/Teen Mother Choices Thank you so much for all you have donated! ~ Outreach Team

INSPIRE 2022 - Aug. 4-6, 2022. There will be a brief meeting in the council room following this morning’s worship service for anyone interested in attending or have questions concerning INSPIRE 2022 in Tinley Park. We are considering attending, as a group, only for the day, Friday, Aug. 5. Early registration is due by March 31. If you are interested, but cannot attend today’s meeting, please contact Cindy Musch.

Bible League Illiana Division Volunteers are hosting a special **luncheon at Teibel’s** Restaurant on Thursday, April 21 at 11:30am. Learn about the impact of ministry around the world and enjoy a fun fashion show. Reach out to Ruth or Rachel Broertjes for tickets – 219-987-2920. You will also have an opportunity to partner in sharing God’s Word. Tickets for Chicken or Perch - \$20

Check your mailboxes today for an update from the Schering’s, and Illiana Right to Life. Keep all of our missionaries serving around the world in your prayers. There is also some School Announcements!

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

DMCS Bylaw Changes 2021-2022 – Society members will vote on proposed Foundation Bylaws. Hard copies of these changes are available at either campus (DeMotte Christian Grade School or Covenant Christian High School).

DMCS Society Meeting – April 12, 2022 – DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc. strongly encourage you to attend the Annual Society Meeting on Tuesday, April 12 at 7pm at Covenant Christian High School. Society members will vote on the proposed advisory budget, new Board members, and proposed Foundation Bylaws. The bylaws require that a member “be 18 years of age or older and have individually contributed a minimum of \$50 to the school corporation in the 13 months prior to the publication of the agenda.”

If submitting an absentee ballot for board members, a member must complete the election ballot AND the member affirmation statement, place in a sealed envelope, sign the outside, and turn in to the school offices. Hard copies of the Society booklets and Annual Financial report are available at either campus DMC Grade School or CC High School. The annual Financial Report will not be opened for discussion, it is simply provided to give insight and transparency into the financials of DMCS.

Restored Resale Inc.

Restored Resale, a DMCS partner, is in desperate need of volunteers and monetary donations to get the store up and running. They have a great many needs to meet, so please consider how you may be able to help them. Contact them at RestoredResaleInc@gmail.com to find out more and get involved. Thank you!

DMC JOB OPENINGS FOR 2022-2023

Junior High Science Teaching Position for 2022-2023

DeMotte Christian Schools, Inc. is accepting applications for a full-time Junior High Science teacher. Applicants should hold at least a baccalaureate degree in secondary education from an accredited college or university and be an active member of a church with a Reformed persuasion. Although not a requirement, it is preferred that candidates possess leadership qualities or a special education background. Opportunities to lead extracurricular activities or athletics are also available. Position will be posted until filled.

Contact: Mr. Dan Weaver DeMotte Christian Grade School
Email: dweaver@dmcsemail.org Phone: 219.987.3721

DMCS JOB OPPORTUNITIES

DMCS is looking to create a list of **substitute custodians** if any of our current custodians need additional help or are absent. If you are interested, please contact Superintendent Hucks at lhucks@dmcsemail.org.

Do you have a CDL with a passenger endorsement, or are you interested in obtaining one? DMCS is in need of **bus drivers** for the 2022-2023 school year! For more details, contact Jill Struble at jstruble@dmcsemail.org.

High School Employment Opportunities

High School English Teacher

The applicant should be passionate about teaching English to students from a Reformed perspective. The applicant would teach classes including, but not limited to Composition,

Literature, Speech, Film Literature, and Writing at the high school levels. The applicant should have a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university. If interested, complete an application (found at demottechristianschools.org) and submit it to the contact below.

High School Foreign Language Teacher

The applicant should be passionate about teaching foreign language to students from a Reformed perspective. The applicant would teach either Spanish, French, German, or Latin at the high school level. There are potential opportunities to teach PE, Health, Child Development, or English, as well. The applicant should have a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university. If interested, complete an application (found at demottechristianschools.org) and submit it to the contact below.

High School PE/Health Instructor

The applicant will teach classes including 9th and 10th grade PE, Advanced PE, and Health at the high school level. The applicant may also teach classes such as English or Family and Consumer Science courses. Applicants should have a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university. If interested, complete an application (found at demottechristianschools.org) and submit it to the contact below.

Contact: Mr. Richard DeFries Covenant Christian High School Principal
Email: rdefries@dmcsemail.org Phone: 219.987.7651

If interested in high school level positions, direct questions/submit applications to Rick DeFries, CCHS Principal, at rdefries@dmcsemail.org (or call 219-987-7651). Applications may be found at www.demottechristianschools.org, under the “About” tab drop down menu, “Employment Opportunities” tab.

DMCS Important Dates:

March 21-25:	Spring Break
March 28:	Kal-Bro Gift Card Fundraiser Begins (ends April 11)
April 7:	Suds for a Cause Pick Up at DMC from 2:45-4pm
April 8:	Grandparent’s Day (details to come)
April 8-9:	CCHS Spring Musical: ANNIE, 7pm both nights
April 12:	Society Meeting at CCHS @ 7pm
April 15 and 18	School in Session
April 21-22:	DMC Junior High Musical Disney’s “The Jungle Book” @ 7pm
April 25-29	CCHS Service Week

