



Bethel Christian Reformed Church

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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 is the fifth Sunday in Lent -- a time of reflection for believers to consider the purpose and the cost of the cross of Jesus, the Savior who gave his life for sinners, to redeem them into saints and children of God. May we pray for our hearts to be listening for the ways in which the Holy Spirit is calling us to live out our calling in new, courageous ways.

Today we welcome Dr. J. Mark Beach who will lead us in worship. He was born and raised in Albuquerque, NM. He was a pastor for twelve years and has been a professor of theology for twenty-five years. He is married to his wife, Sheryl, and they have three children and six grandchildren (soon to be seven). He teaches at Mid-America Reformed Seminary in Dyer, IN. He preaches in many area churches on a regular basis. AM Message: A Rejected Jesus for the Rejected: What 'Jesus' Do You Embrace? from Luke 4:14-30. At the 5pm worship: "More Salt, More Light" – Matt.5:13-16

Next week we welcome Rev. Van Eck who will lead us in our Palm Sunday Worship. He has been in the Ministry of the Word at various CRC churches and recently since January 2010 Minister at Trinity Presbyterian Church, DeMotte, IN.



"SUPERBOOK ACADEMY" Sunday School will **NOT** meet today for Spring Break. We will resume April 2. **All students meet downstairs at 9:15am before the Palm Sunday Morning Worship.**

THIS WEEK AT BETHEL

Sunday 10:50am Superbook Academy Sunday School will NOT meet

Wednesday 9:30am Coffee Break will NOT meet



We are inviting **YOUNG CHILDREN WITH THEIR MOMS OR DADS** to join us on **Palm Sunday**, April 2, at 9:15am in the church basement. We will join with the Sunday School children at 9:15am as well, as we receive palm branches to wave as we walk into church during the singing of the song "Hosanna". The children will march into church and proceed on stage to sing a song with the congregation called "Shout Hosanna".

MORNING WORSHIP

Welcome

Opening Song: "I Will Sing of My Redeemer" vs. 1,3,4

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greetings

*Time of Praise

"Our God"

Psalm 116:1-2

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

Please Be Seated

Offering is received for: Ministries of Bethel and Oak Grove

Morning Prayer

Scripture: Luke 4:14-30 (pg. 1596)

Message: A Rejected Jesus for the Rejected: What 'Jesus' Do You Embrace?

1) *Scripture*

2) *Sermon*

3) *Response*

Closing Prayer

*Please Stand for God's Parting Blessing

*Closing Song: "Before the Throne of God Above"

5PM WORSHIP

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Please Stand for Our Time of Praise:

- "Take My Life" W/C 379 vs.1,2,5,6
- "When Peace Like a River" W/C 493

Please Be Seated

Time of Prayer

Scripture: Matthew 5:13-16 (pg. 1501)

Message: More Salt, More Light

1.) *The Presupposition*

2.) *The Plan*

3.) *The Problem*

4.) *The Prize*

Closing Prayer

• Please Stand for God's Parting Blessing

• Closing Song: "Revive Us Again" WC 295

CHURCH FAMILY: PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP IN PRAYER:

- Ruth DV- prayers for continued daily strength.
- Carolyn VV who is at Oak Grove for therapy to regain her strength.
- Elmer & Norma, Wayne & Carolyn, Andy & Cheryl, Barb E, Ted & Donna, Rich K.
- Pray for our Council and Search Team as they seek the Lord's leading and direction as to who the next pastor for Bethel will be. Pray for the Lord's guidance.

Thank you for the cards and prayers during my recent knee surgery. God is good! Bonnie Postma

SERVING TODAY

March 26

Nursery: Marla & Bailee
Piano: Amy
Usher AM: Mike
Greeters Hank & Marlene (E), Jon & Phyllis (S).
Sunday School Spring Break
Media Shout Todd
Offering Ministries of Bethel and Oak Grove

You can continue to give online at www.bethelcrcdemotte.org. Thank you!

SERVING NEXT WEEK April 2 Palm Sunday

Nursery:
Piano: Amy
Usher AM: Scott
Greeters Larry & Velma (E), Dunham Family (S).
Sunday School Velma & Mike
Media Shout Riley
Offering Ministries of Bethel and DMCS Inc

CELEBRATING EASTER – ALIVE WITH CHRIST!

April 2 **Palm Sunday** Service with Sunday School joining
Rev. Steve Van Eck – AM: “The Kingship of Jesus”
PM – “Lifeless Stones; Living Word”
April 7 **Good Friday Service** 7pm – We will be joining at First CRC
April 9 **Resurrection Sunday** – Pastor Tim Toeset
AM Worship “Alive with Christ”
There will be NO 5pm Service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Outreach Team **WOULD LIKE TO ADD TWO OR MORE PEOPLE TO OUR TEAM** to expand the impact of Bethel Church to the Community. **Do you feel God calling you to serve?** For more information, talk to any team member: Marla, Cindy, Russ or Larry

COFFEE BREAK meets on Wednesday's at 9:30 a.m. We are studying the book of II Samuel. Nursery is provided! **We will not meet on March 29th** for Spring Break. Our last lesson will be on April 19th.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

DMCS ANNUAL SOCIETY MEETING

This year's meeting is on Tuesday, April 11, at 7:00 pm in the DMCHS Cafeteria. We highly encourage any current parent or any individual who has donated at least \$50 to the school in the last year to attend and participate in this meeting. We will be discussing great topics and voting on new school board members. Beginning March 24, Society Booklets and absentee ballots will be available at either school campus. Please thoroughly read the instructions for submitting an absentee ballot prior to turning it in.

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 or Shelley Dexter at sdexter@dmcsemail.org. Thank you!

DMCS JOB OPENINGS FOR 2022-2023

PART-TIME HIGH SCHOOL INDUSTRIAL ARTS TEACHER

DeMotte Christian High School is looking for a qualified individual who is skilled in construction and small engines and passionate about sharing their knowledge with high school students. This candidate should agree fully with the school's statement of beliefs, be an active member of a church from a Reformed persuasion, and be able to teach high school students well. If interested, please submit your cover letter, resume, and a completed teacher application to the contact below.

- Dan Weaver DeMotte Christian Grade & Middle School Principal
- Phone: 219.987.3721 Email: dweaver@dmcsemail.org

FULL-TIME ELEMENTARY SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

DeMotte Christian Schools is looking for a full-time elementary special education teacher for our Discovery Center for the 2023-2024 school year. 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. Applicants must hold a bachelor's degree in special education with a focus in mild intervention from an accredited college or university, agree fully with the school's statement of beliefs, be an active member of a church from a Reformed persuasion, and be able to teach young children well. This position, likely in 3rd-5th grade, works collaboratively with our classroom teachers, Cooperative School Services, and the principal to provide tier 1, 2 & 3 levels of instruction in math and language arts to give academic support to students, including those with IEPs and 504 plans. The position would thus include some small group or one-on-one instruction. Candidates should be familiar with the Orton Gillingham approach to reading and would use programs such as Wilson, Read Naturally & Lexia. If interested, please submit your cover letter, resume, and a completed teacher application to the contact below.

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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

PART-TIME MIDDLE SCHOOL ART TEACHER

DeMotte Christian Schools is looking for a part-time middle school art teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. This part-time position is expected to be 6 middle school classes and has traditionally been held on Thursdays. The day is flexible depending on the situation and candidate. 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. Applicants with a degree in art or elementary education from an accredited college or university is preferred but not required. Candidates must agree fully with the school's statement of beliefs, be an active member of a church (church with a Reformed persuasion preferred), and be able to teach young children well. Opportunities to lead extracurricular activities are also available. If interested, please submit your cover letter, resume, and a completed application to the contact below.

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FULL-TIME KINDERGARTEN TEACHER

DeMotte Christian Schools is growing. 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 looking for a qualified kindergarten teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. 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. If interested, please submit your cover letter, resume, and a completed teacher application to the contact below.

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FULL-TIME GRADE SCHOOL SECRETARY

DeMotte Christian Grade School has a full-time opening for a front office secretary to join our team. The secretary faithfully and confidentially manages the office at the grade school. Responsibilities include word processing, sending and receiving email and phone communication, working with school constituents to ensure our school is running smoothly, maintaining the student information system (FACTS), and state reporting. Candidates must be an active communicant member in good standing of a church which subscribes to the historic Reformed confessions. If interested, please submit your cover letter, resume, and a completed application to the contact below.

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FULL-TIME K-12 MUSIC/BAND TEACHER

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time. Flexible options are available. Please inquire for more information. Applicants must hold a bachelor's degree in music/choir and/or band 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. If interested, please submit your cover letter, resume, and a completed teacher application to the contact below.

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FULL-TIME MIDDLE SCHOOL ENGLISH TEACHER

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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.

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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, complete application and submit it to:

- Richard DeFries DeMotte Christian High School Principal
- Phone: 219.987.7651 Email: 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.

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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 or 219-987-3721.

Applications may be found at www.demottechristianschools.org, under the “About” tab drop-down menu, “Employment Opportunities” page.

DMCS Important Dates:

3/20:	RaiseRight (SCRIP) Due
3/27-31:	Spring Break
4/3:	RaiseRight (SCRIP) Due
4/6:	Suds pick-up at DMCGS front hall
4/7:	Good Friday, No School/Make up day
4/11:	DMCS Society Meeting at DMCHS
4/10:	SCHOOL IN SESSION
4/13-14:	DMCHS Spring Musical Aladdin doors open 6:45pm, Play begins 7:00pm
4/17:	RaiseRight (SCRIP) Due
4/24-29:	DMCHS Service Week
5/1:	E-learning grades 9-12 only
5/1:	RaiseRight (SCRIP) Due
5/6:	DMCS Carnival 4-8 PM
5/9:	DMCHS & DMCMS Spring Concert 7-8 PM
5/11:	8th Grade Banquet 6:30-8:30 PM
5/13:	DMCS Mattress Sale at DMCHS
5/15:	RaiseRight (SCRIP) Due
5/25:	Student's Last Day
5/25:	8th Grade Promotion
5/26:	No School, Teacher in-service/Make up day
5/26:	DMCHS Graduation 7 PM
5/30:	RaiseRight (SCRIP) Due