



Bethel Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, September 12, 2021

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

We welcome you to worship today at Bethel. Whether we call on the Lord in person or through our live-stream, it is our prayer that the Lord will encourage us, challenge us, and help us to grow in Jesus Christ. We welcome any visitors who have chosen to join us!

This morning Pastor Rick will look at Colossians 3:1-17 – “The Christ Centered Life”. Join us at 5pm as we continue our study on the Heidelberg Catechism looking at Lord’s Day 4.

We will be celebrating the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper during the morning worship. May God use this gift he has given through his Son Jesus to affirm our faith and draw us closer to him. If you have publicly confessed Jesus as your Savior and Lord, are sorry for sin and desire to live for him, we invite you to join with us and participate in communion. We will be using pre-packaged communion cups that you are encouraged to pick up prior to entering the sanctuary.

Immediately following the AM service **TODAY, all church members who do or may work with youth**, including nursery volunteers, Sunday School, GEMS, Cadets, and any others, should meet in the church basement to review best practices for working with youth. This will help us best meet the needs of our young people and also ensure compliance with our liability insurance carrier.

SERVING TODAY	September 12 (Communion)
Nursery:	Laura W., Tyson W., Kim K.
Piano:	Amy D.
Usher AM:	Mike Z.
Media Shout	Katie E.
Offering	Ministries of Bethel and Connection Center

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!

SERVING NEXT WEEK September 19 (PM Combined ME at Community)

Nursery:	Morgan S. Bailee J.
Piano:	Marla V.M.
Usher AM:	Andrew D.
Media Shout	Scott V.V.
Offering	Ministries of Bethel and Resonate

MORNING WORSHIP

Welcome

A Few Thoughts as we Gather to Worship

Song: “Ancient of Days”

Prayer of Praise

God’s Greeting

Call to Worship

There is none like you, O Lord,
nor are there any works like yours.

**All the nations you have made
shall come and bow down before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.**

For you are great and do wondrous things, you alone are God.

“Be Unto Your Name”

“Ten Thousand Reasons”

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of God’s Grace

“My Savior’s Love”

Memory Verse – Proverbs 3:5-6

Prayers of God’s People

Colossians 3:1-17

Message: **The Christ Centered Life**

Prayer

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Parting Blessing

Closing Song – “There Is a Redeemer”

CHURCH FAMILY --Please keep in prayer:

- * Elmer V.M.
- * Rich and Fran.
- * Ted and Donna H, Towne Centre, 7250 Arthur Blvd. Room 151, Merrillville, IN 46410
- * Pray for those whose needs may not be known but are known by God.
- * Pray for peace and trust in God as we reflect on 20 years since the 9/11 attacks, and as our culture continues to experience so much political, medical, and social chaos.
- * Pray for wisdom, too, as we know the pandemic is not over. Pray that the Lord will lead us to be HIS people in this place, who follow Christ and who live lives of love, kindness, and graciousness, especially in a world full of chaos and hostility.

AFTERNOON WORSHIP

Welcome

Song of Praise – “Immortal Invisible, God Only Wise”

Prayers of Praise

Scripture Reading: Revelation 5:5-13

“Worthy Is the Lamb that was Slain”

“Salvation Belongs to Our God”

Prayer of Thanks

“Seek Ye First” (3 vs)

Prayers of God’s People

Scripture: Exodus 34:6-7, Psalm 5

Catechism: Lord’s Day 4 (Q&As 9-11)

Sermon: **The Justice of God**

Prayer

Song: “God, Be Merciful to Me”

Parting Blessing

Closing Song: “To God Be the Glory”

MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Wednesday 9:30am Coffee Break Begins
1:00pm Phil’s Friends Meet at Connection Center till 3pm.
7:00pm Worship Team

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Bethel Sunday School season will officially begin NEXT WEEK SUNDAY, September 19.** Students will finish their activities at 11:45. Council thanks those that have volunteered their time to help instruct our church's youth. We are still in need of substitutes and individuals who would be willing to teach a class once a month to complete the schedule. Anyone interested contact Dan Zylstra at 708-341-2155 or djzylstra@gmail.com.

COFFEE BREAK begins this Wednesday, September 15 at 9:30am. Nursery is provided! This year we will start out with a study on Matthew. We will discover who Jesus was and is and what that means for us today. Join us and invite a friend or neighbor!

WORSHIP TEAM will meet this week Wednesday at 7pm.

COFFEE BREAK will be needing help with the Nursery this year. They meet on Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30. If you’re able to help out a Wednesday or 2 each month or as a substitute occasionally, please contact Mary Buitter 219-819-364.

GEMS/CADETS MUM Fundraiser! There are sheets on the round tables to place your orders by Wednesday, September 15th. Pick up will be on Wednesday, September 22nd in the Bethel Parking lot.

We are working on a **FALL BETHEL BRANCHES** - If anyone has anything they would like included, please send it to bethelcrc@netnitco.net or talk to Shiela or Bailee. All info needed by September 19th.

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY, September 19 at 5pm we will be joining our sister churches at Community CRC in Roselawn for a **combined Mission Emphasis service entitled “The Call: DeMotte to Africa.”** We will hear testimonies from Mark Luckey (Director of Every Child Ministries in Hebron) and Aaron Shupe (DMCS teacher-turned-missionary). Several other DeMotte-to-Africa missions /missionaries will be represented as well. Missionary Eric Schering will be sharing a message entitled, "God at Work Among the Nations Big Time!" Nursery will be provided. Please make plans to join us!

Phil’s Friends Volunteer Opportunity- September 15 - 1:00-3:00 pm. Connection Center in DeMotte. Reaching out to our local community for support, we will once again be hosting our monthly gathering where you can give of your time and talent to tie fleece blankets, decorate Care Package boxes and color Cards of Hope. PF sends out an average of 115 boxes per week and 4000 Cards of Hope per month all across the United States to those going through the trauma of cancer. This does not include the many boxes being directly handed out at local cancer centers. We need your help to make this happen! Donations for Care Packages are being collected in basket under bulletin board in our church foyer. Thank you for your continued support. Questions-contact Cindy Musch- 219-863-6864.

Enjoy an opportunity for Christian fellowship and spiritual renewal on Saturday morning, September 25 at Faith church in Dyer, IN from 8-12:30. Bible League’s conference includes multiple sessions with keynote speaker Dr. Lynn Wilder. Register at bibleleague.org/tickets or talk to Ruth/Rachel Broertjes.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

PINT-SIZE HERO RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: DMC is sponsoring an October blood drive on October 28 at the Keener Township Fire Department from 1-6pm.

The **58TH ANNUAL HARVEST SALE** will be on Saturday, October 2nd! The Farmer’s Market and Food Service will begin at 5 pm. The live and silent auctions will begin at 6 pm. Farmer’s Market pre-order forms are available on the DeMotteChristianSchools.org home page under “Quick Links” Please call DMC at 219-987-3721.

SUDS FOR A CAUSE: All products are comparable to your name-brand favorites! Get a 5-gallon pail for only \$40, and comes with a FREE pump and are HE compatible. Contact any DMCS student. Your order will be available for pick up at DMC on Thursday, October 7, at DMC from 2:45-4:00pm. Questions? Please call 219-987-3721.

DMCS Important Dates:

September 15:	Mrs. Fields Cookie Dough Pick Up at DMC, 2:45-4:00pm
September 20:	Suds For A Cause Ends
September 22:	“See You At The Pole” (DMC-7:40am)
October 2:	58th Annual Harvest Sale
October 5:	Butter Braid Fundraiser Begins
October 21-22:	Fall Break
October 26:	Butter Braid Fundraiser Ends
October 28:	Red Cross Blood Drive @ Keener Township (1pm-6pm)