

BETHEL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

THIS WEEK AT BETHEL

TODAY	9:30 AM	Prayer for Worship – Prayer Room
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
	11:15 AM	Sunday School & Catechism
	11:20 AM	Choir
	11:30 AM	Reservation - Lighthouse
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service – Youth Service
MONDAY	7:00 PM	Care & Concern Groups 5-10 – Prayer time
	6:00 PM	Deacons Meeting - Lighthouse
	7:30 PM	Council Meeting – Council Room
WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM	Ladies Bible Study – Lighthouse Room B
	7:00 PM	Cadets – Derby weigh in
FRIDAY	7:00 PM	GEMS
	7:00 PM	Encounter - Lighthouse
NEXT SUNDAY	10:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service

All Bethel members are encouraged to write our missionaries this week.

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MEALS WITH JESUS

“MARTHA (STEWART) LIVING”

LUKE 10:38-42

WELCOME TO BETHEL CRC ~ March 17, 2019

Welcome to all who worship with us on this Lord's Day! We especially welcome all visitors and those who may be seeking a new church home and invite you to fill out a welcome card either in this bulletin or at www.bethelcsc.org so we can get to know you. Everyone is invited to stay for a time of fellowship following the services.

WORSHIP NOTES

This Week

- This Sunday morning, our worship service will be led by Pastor John Lee. He will continue the Lenten series, "Meals with Jesus". The focus will be on Luke 10:38-42 – "Martha (Stewart) Living". We also will have the privilege of witnessing the Sacrament of Baptism for Vaylin Jo Postma, infant daughter of Grant and Ronnie Postma.
- This Sunday morning's first offering (Bethel Ministry Fund) supports the many ministries of this church and denomination. Our second offering is for the Christ-centered education of our children.
- This Sunday evening, our annual youth service worship service will be led by Pastor John Lee and members of Bethel's youth group. Our focus will be on their theme, "Heart of a Seeker" - Luke 11:5-10.
- This Sunday evening our offering is for Youth Unlimited, a ministry that assists local congregations with youth programs, resources and events (such as SERVE). You can learn more about this organization at <https://www.youthunlimited.org/>. If you are unable to attend the evening service, but would like to give to Youth Unlimited, please put a donation in the offering this morning, with Youth Unlimited listed on the memo line.

Next Week

- Next Sunday morning, our worship service will be led by Rev. Duane Tinklenberg. He will focus on Revelation 6:9-17 – "Saints & Sinners in the Unfolding of History". Pastor John and Mary Jo will be taking a week's vacation to visit family in Michigan.
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- Next Sunday evening, our worship service will be led by Rev. Duane Tinklenberg. He will focus on Matthew 16:13-23 – "Peter's Story: From Rock to Stumbling Block".
- Next Sunday evening's offering will be for the Lighthouse.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children & Worship and Tot Church meet during the morning service for children ages 3 & 4. The dismissal is indicated in the order of worship. Parents, please bring your 3 yr. old children to the Tot Church room (Classroom #5) and bring your 4 yr. old children to the Children & Worship room. All children will meet together toward the end of the service for singing. All children can be picked up in the Children & Worship room. Children are welcome to bring an offering

Following the morning service, there will be a Q&A session in the Council Room regarding the SCCS Legacy Plan. Everyone is welcome.

Ladies' Bible Study will be held on Monday at 7:00 pm in the Lighthouse Room B. They will be studying Tim Keller Lent Series #3.

The Spiritual Discipline handbook that was used in Dan Elgersma's class is available in the library.

Did you know that you can donate to Bethel's causes any time during the week? From anywhere, via any device, go to the following website www.easytithe.com/bethelcsc. Setting up an account is easy! Ask a deacon if you have questions.

Junior Class Pizza Ranch Tip Night on Monday, March 25 from 5-8pm to raise funds for the class SERVE trip to Redlands, CA.

NTOTBY (Never Too Old To Be Young): On Wednesday, March 27 from 7-9 pm, YPS will be holding a game night and social time for our older (60+) and wiser friends from the congregation. If you have questions or would like a ride, please contact Dan Elgersma or one of the youth leaders (AJ & Kirsten Borger, Dan & Samantha De Weerd, Matt & Janey Boogerd, Jordan & Megan Birdsong, Nate & Gretchen DeWit, Arlin Franken).

¼ OF BEEF: The Junior class has been given 4 quarters of beef to sell as a fundraiser for their Summer SERVE trip. If you are interested in purchasing or for more information, please contact Dan Elgersma at 712-541-5056.

New to the Library: A DVD of Pastor John's series on Hidden Graces is available to check out of the church library.

Encounter Bible Study group is designed for 20-30 year olds, married or single. They will meet on **Friday, March 22 at 7:00pm** at the Lighthouse. Please contact brittany@vbfurn.com for any information. Feel free to join.

Passover meal – As a fitting part of our Meals with Jesus sermon series, sign up to take part in a traditional Jewish Passover meal (*Seder*) hosted at Bethel on Maundy Thursday, April 18 at 6:00PM. This is for all ages! Learn what Jesus meant when he said, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer" and how the Passover meal points to His redemptive work. Sign up sheets will be at the Welcome Center. This meal will also include a potluck dinner. Contact Mary Jo Lee (maryjolee.09@gmail.com) if you have questions.

The following Care & Concern groups will meet for a time of prayer following the **evening** service:

Group 6	(G. Van Voorst/Visser/Hoekstra) – Room 8
Group 7	(Vreugdenhil/Altena/Altena/De Wit) – Room 10
Group 8	(Feekes/Scholten/Hoogland/Scholten) – Room 11
Group 9	(Stetson/Hanson/Stetson/Wieringa) – Room 12
Group 10	(Van Veldhuizen/Meyerink/Meyerink) – Room 13

A Time of Celebration will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday April 7 at 7:00 pm. Come with your family and join us for a light lunch and fellowship to celebrate with the following families:

Jared & Laura (Berkompas) Andersen married August 4, 2018.
Justin Van Regenmorter & Taylor Tindall to be married May 31, 2019.
Alyssa Fedders & Kyle Colyn to be married June 28, 2019.

Contributions toward gift cards may be given to Verla Hoogland until **Friday, April 5**. Baskets for each couple will be available in the narthex. Anyone may contribute gifts to any of these baskets.



YPS: Small Groups this week from 7-9pm. Freshman and Juniors will be going to the nursing home. Leaders will contact students will details.

Jr YPS (7th-8th): No meeting tonight (schedule change).



Bethel CRC Welcomes You!

We invite visitors and guests to complete the information below and place it in the offering plate or complete a visitor info request form online at www.bethelcsc.org/contact-us.

Today's Date: _____

Time of Service: (please circle one) **AM** **PM**

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Home Phone: _____ **Cell(s):** _____

Email: _____

Please Check One:

Visitor _____ **Guest** _____ **College Student** _____

Requests:

- I desire to learn more about Jesus as my Lord and Savior.
- I desire to be baptized or make Profession of Faith.
- I would like more information on joining Bethel CRC
- I would like to talk to a Pastor.
- I desire information about the ministries of Bethel CRC
- I desire information about youth ministries.
- I would like to know more about ministry opportunities at Bethel CRC and where I might serve.
- I would like to volunteer for _____
- I would like to request prayer for _____
- Other _____

PRAYER MINISTRY

- We praise God with Gerrit and Tracy Byker that Gerrit was able to return to his home in Crown Pointe earlier this week!
- Our prayers for God's peace surround Mike and Teri Bruck and Tim and Jenna Wynia at the death of Mike's father (and Jenna's grandfather), Darrel Bruck on Tuesday, March 12. The funeral was Saturday, March 16 at St. Patrick's Church in Momence, IL. We pray for God's comfort for the Bruck family as well as for His protection as they drive to and from the funeral.
- We praise God with Annette Van Voorst for a good report on Tuesday, March 12 that her incision is healing well and that she can begin to return to work after almost three months of recovery.
- Doctors determined that tissue removed from Jason Meyer last week was cancerous. He underwent a CT scan on Friday morning, March 15 to determine if the cancer has spread in any way. We pray for peace and patience as well as for results that point to a path toward full healing.
- We continue to remember Cassidy Hulshof who will undergo back surgery in Dakota Dunes on Tuesday, March 19.
- We pray for with everyone dealing with the wet weather, including those with flooded basements and muddy cattle yards.
- Happy Birthday to Johanna Roos! She will be 87 years old on Tuesday, March 19.
- We continue to join our community in praying for different local congregations. This week, we will be in prayer for the Peace Lutheran congregation. We pray for their pastor, Bill Loefke
- If you have a prayer request that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Pastor John Lee at (jrlee12@gmail.com) or the Bethel office (office@bethelcsc.org).

	TODAY	Next Week, Sunday, March 24
Sound	Wade Vanden Berg & Ryan Fedders	Allan Bolkema & Jeremy Kraayenbrink
Video	Trey Haverhals	Janna Bolkema
Power Point	Wanda Vande Kieft	Mike Meyers
Welcome Center	Rod & Lois Wielenga	Stan & Karen Wynia
Ushers	AM – Bill W, Jay B, AJ B, Mark D, Nate T PM – Eric B, Harlan B, Kevin W	AM – Bill W, Jay B, AJ B, Mark D, Nate T PM – Eric B, Harlan B, Kevin W
Greeters	AM – Mike & Shawn Meyers Andrew & Brittany Noteboom PM - Darrel & Mary Nyhof Tim & Marlys Obbink	AM – John & Helen Peuse Mitchell & Caitlin Post PM – Steve & Vonda Post Grant & Ronnie Postma
Coffee/Juice Servers	Neil & Patti Van Schouwen Paul & Judy Van Voorst Kodie and Katie Van Voorst	Tom & Annette Van Voorst Paul & Judy Van Voorst Kodie & Katie Van Voorst
Nursery	AM David's Meadow – Donna Schaap Shelby Riebeling Owen Vanden Berg AM Noah's Ark – Jina Tinklenberg, Lisa Tintle, Travis Mulder Levi Tintle PM – Darrel & Lynn Wielenga Kayda Vanden Berg	AM – David's Meadow – Stacy Schaap Marlena Haak Becky Bos AM Noah's Ark – Ronnie Postma Maggie Rozenboom Trey Haverhals Dylan Bosma PM – Darrel & Lyn Wielenga, Kayda Vanden Berg
Bus Driver	Curt De Koning	Kyle Wynia
PM Offering	Youth Unlimited	The Lighthouse
C & W	Jess K, Becky G, Ella D	Jacki H, Sam DW, Jenna V
Tiny Tots	Jina Tinklenberg, Kayda Vanden Berg	Kristin H, Megan M

Bethel Christian Reformed Church
The Lord's Day ~ March 17, 2019, 10:00 AM

THE APPROACH TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Prayer of Invocation

*Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn: **"Holy Spirit, You Are Welcome Here" st 1-2 (CCLI)**

- 1) There's nothing worth more that will ever come close,
No thing can compare; You're our living hope. Your presence, Lord.
- 2) I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves,
Where my heart becomes free, and my shame is undone. Your presence, Lord.

Chorus: Holy Spirit, You are welcome here. Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere.

Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for, to be overcome by Your presence, Lord.

Bridge 2x: Let us become more aware of Your presence.

Let us experience the glory of Your goodness. (*Chorus*)

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

*Song of Praise: **"All I Have Is Christ" st 1-3, congregation join on st 2 (Sovereign Grace)**

- 1) I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way.
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave.
I had no hope that you would own a rebel to Your will.
And if You had not loved me first, I would refuse You still.
- 2) But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost,
You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross.
And I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place.
You bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace.

Chorus 2x: Hallelujah! All I have is Christ. Hallelujah! Jesus is my life.

- 3) Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone, and live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands could never come from me.
O, Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose,
And let my song forever be, my only boast is You. (*Chorus 3x*)

RENEWING GOD'S COVENANT IN CHRIST

Call to Confession

Song of Confession: **PH #260 "Not What My Hands Have Done" st 1**

Words of Assurance

Song of Assurance: **PH #260 "Not What My Hands Have Done" st 2-3**

Baptism of Vaylin Jo Postma

Song of Dedication: **"Be Thou My Vision" st 1-4 (CH #562)**

- 1) Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that Thou art –
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
- 2) Be Thou my Wisdom and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
- 3) Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.
- 4) High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.
(*Children ages 3-4 are invited to Children & Worship*)

THE MINISTRY OF GOD'S WORD AND SPIRIT

Prayer for Right Hearing

Scripture: **Luke 10:38-42**

Sermon: **Meals with Jesus: "Martha (Stewart) Living"**

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Response: **"Come Away from Rush and Hurry" st 1-3 (W&R #655)**

- 1) Come away from rush and hurry to the stillness of God's peace;
From our vain ambition's worry, come to Christ and find release.
Come away from noise and clamor, life's demands and frenzied pace;
Come to join the people gathered here to seek and find God's face.
- 2) In the pastures of God's goodness we lie down to rest our soul.
From the waters of his mercy we drink deeply, are made whole.
At the table of his presence all his saints are richly fed.
With the oil of his anointing into service we are led.
- 3) Come, then, children, with your burdens – life's confusions, fears, and pain.
Leave them at the cross of Jesus; take instead his kingdom's reign.
Bring your thirsts, for he will quench them – he alone will satisfy.
All our longings find attainment when to self we gladly die.

Pastoral Prayer

Moment for Missions: **SCCS Legacy Plan Update**

Offertory

Offerings: 1) Bethel Ministry Fund; 2) Bethel Christian Education Fund

OUR DEPARTURE IN THE BLESSING OF GOD

*Closing Song: **"The First Place" st 1 (LUYH #15)**

- 1) Jesus, the perfect picture of the unseen God. Maker of things we cannot comprehend.
Wisdom, the earth displays your strength and beauty. Sovereign, yes, every throne knows you are

God

Chorus: Every inch of this universe belongs to you, O Christ. For through you and for you it was made.
Your creation endures by the order of your hand. So you must have in all things the first place.

*God's Parting Blessing

*Closing Song: **"The First Place" st 2 (LUYH #15)**

- 2) Victor, over sin and death you triumphed. Firstborn, you've shown us life beyond the grave.
Bridegroom, we long for you in expectation. Jesus, your church rejoices to proclaim. (*Chorus*)

*Postlude

Minister of the Word: Pastor John Lee

Organist: Jennifer Frens

Worship Team: Alyssa Fedders, Laura Ross, Paul Ross, Lori Walstra

Pianist: Karen Vreugdenhil

Guitar: Hannah Freeman

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The Lord's Day ~ March 17, 2019, 6:00 PM

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Prayer of Invocation

*Call to Worship

*Opening Songs: ***"I Give You My Heart"*** (LUYH #340) with ***"Open the Eyes of My Heart"*** (LUYH #537)

This is my desire, to honor you. Lord, with all my heart I worship you.

All I have within me—I give you praise. All that I adore is in you.

Lord, I give you my heart, I give you my soul, I live for you alone.

Ev'ry breath that I take, every moment I'm awake, Lord, have your way in me.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart;

I want to see You; I want to see You

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart;

I want to see You; I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory.

Pour out Your power and love, as we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy; holy, holy, holy; holy, holy, holy; I want to see You. *(Repeat last line)*

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

A Litany for Our Youth

Reader: God we ask that you would give all of us hearts to seek you. We find so often that we are content to live in our

sin and too lazy to pursue a meaningful relationship with you. We say things like "I'll do better tomorrow" or "I'm too

tired" or "I'm too busy" or "Faith is boring".

All: Awaken within us a hunger to seek you with all of our being and to be found in you.

Reader: This world can be a dark place. Sin blocks out the light. How can we see you God? Our schedules are full, our

gas tanks are empty, our technology screams messages of entertainment and advertisements at us.

How can we

hear you God?

Congregation: Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path. Be Still and Know that I am God. (Psalm

119:105; Psalm 46:10a)

Youth: Lord help us to see you the light of the world. Give us ears to hear your still small voice among the noise and

chaos in our lives.

Reader: Hurt, hypocrisy, and doubts can give our faith a bitter taste. How can we believe you are good? We smell like

sin and death. Our odor is offensive to a pure and holy God. How can we know the fragrance of your holy presence

when our nostrils are filled with our own rancid smell?

Congregation: Taste and see that the Lord is good. For we are to God the pleasing aroma of Christ among

those who are being saved and those who are perishing. (Psalm 34:8a; 2 Corinthians 2:15).

Youth: Lord help us to savor the sweet taste of life with you. Help us to delight in the smell of new life that is within us.

Reader: The toll of life makes us numb. We would give anything just to feel something...anything again. How can we

feel your presence God?

Congregation: Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it

into my side. Stop doubting and believe." Then the Lord reached out his hand and touched my mouth and

said to me, "I have put my words in your mouth. (John 20:27; Jeremiah 1:9)

Youth: Lord help us to feel your presence. Draw us close in your embrace. Stir within us a desire to know you and to

be known by you.

All: Thank you God for drawing near to us. Thank you for pursuing us even while we search for you. Thank you

that you are a God that can be found. Help us to love you and seek your face with all of our heart, soul,

strength, and mind.

Songs of Dedication: ***"O Lord, You're Beautiful"*** (CH #643) with ***"Give Us Clean Hands"*** (MSPW3 #153)

O Lord, You're beautiful, Your face is all I seek.

And when Your eyes are on this child, Your grace abounds in me.

We bow our hearts, we bend our knees; O Spirit, come make us humble,

We turn our eyes from evil things; O Lord, we cast down our idols.

Give us clean hands, give us pure hearts; let us not lift our souls to another.

Give us clean hands, give us pure hearts; let us not lift our souls to another.

And God, let us be a generation that seeks, that seeks Your face, O God of Jacob.

O God, let us be a generation that seeks, that seeks Your face, O God of Jacob.

O Lord, You're beautiful, Your face is all I seek.

And when Your eyes are on this child, Your grace abounds in me.

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 29:1,10-14

Reader 1: ¹This is the text of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the surviving elders among the exiles and to the priests, the prophets and all the other people Nebuchadnezzar had carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon...

Reader 2: ¹⁰This is what the LORD says: "When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my good promise to bring you back to this place. ¹¹For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. ¹²Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.

Whole Youth Group: ¹³**You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.**

Reader 1: ¹⁴I will be found by you," declares the LORD, "and will bring you back from captivity.

Reader 2: I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have banished you," declares the LORD, "and will bring you back to the place from which I carried you into exile. . ."

Song of Response: ***"Sinking Deep"*** st 1-2 (CCLI)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Right Hearing

Scripture: ***Luke 11:9-10***

Sermon: ***"Heart of a Seeker"***

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Song of Response: ***PH #209 "Seek Ye First"*** st 1-2

"You Are My All in All" st 1-2 (CH #583)

1) You are my strength when I am weak, You are the treasure that I seek; You are my all in all.

Seeking You as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool; You are my all in all.

Refrain: Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!

2) Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again I bless Your name; You are my all in all.

When I fall down, You pick me up; when I am dry, You fill my cup; You are my all in all. (*Chorus*)

Pastoral Prayer

Youth Update

Offertory: *"From the Inside Out"* (CCLI)

Offering: Youth Unlimited

Prayer for Our Youth

*Sung Profession of Faith: ***"This I Believe (The Creed)" st 1-2*** (Hillsong)

1) Our Father everlasting, the all creating One, God Almighty,

Through Your Holy Spirit, conceiving Christ the Son, Jesus our Savior.

Chorus A: I believe in God our Father, I believe in Christ the Son.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, Our God is three in One.

I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again, for I believe in the Name of Jesus.

2) Our judge and our defender, suffered and crucified, forgiveness is in You.

Descended into darkness, You rose in glorious life, forever seated high. (*Chorus A*)

For I believe in the Name of Jesus, for I believe in the Name of Jesus.

Chorus B: I believe in life eternal, I believe in the virgin birth,

I believe in the saints' communion, and in Your holy church.

I believe in the resurrection, when Jesus comes again, for I believe in the Name of Jesus.

(*Chorus A*)

For I believe in the Name of Jesus.

WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

*Benediction

Closing Song: ***"My Friends May You Grow in Grace"*** (*sing twice*) (SANC #288)

My friends, may you grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.

My friends, may you grow in grace, and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen.

To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen. (*Repeat*)

*Postlude

Minister of the Word: Pastor John Lee

Organist: Mick Visser

Pianist: Ashley Wynia

Vocalists: Matt Boogerd, Dan Elgersma, Rylee Visser, Kendra Wynja

Guitar: Cassidy Hulshof

Drums: Mikayla Meyers

Litany Leader: Emma Schaap

Scripture Readers: Logan Franken, Lane Dekkers

Children's Message: Kylie De Boer, Amaya Van Essen

Prayer Leader: Tyler Van Schouwen

Ushers: Clayton Bosma, Trey Haverhals, Dylan Riebeling, Mason Stetson

Offering: Ethan Hulshof, Tyrell Hulshof, Travis Mulder, Lucas Van Berkel