

BETHEL CRC ~ November 15, 2020

Although gathering in different spaces, we are thankful for the ability to worship together on this Lord's Day! We also hope to care for one another during the week. Please reach out to Pastor John (jrlee12@gmail.com, 712-441-5871), our staff, or your elder, deacon, or care and concern group coordinator if you have a prayer concern, need a pastoral contact, or have questions, concerns, or needs. We are here for you!

WORSHIP NOTES

This Week

- This Sunday morning, our 10:00 AM worship service will be **in-person for Care & Concern Groups #1-5 and Livestreamed for everyone else**. Pastor John will lead us in worship and continue the series on the book of Ephesians called "Dear Church." He will focus on Ephesians 6:1-9 – "Redeemed Relationships." We will also witness the public profession of faith of Erica Feikema and Alexis Haverhals.
- This morning's first offering (Bethel Ministry Fund) supports the many ministries of this church and the Christian Reformed denomination. Our second offering is for the Bethel Christian Education Fund, which helps reduce the tuition for the children in our local Christian schools.
- This Sunday evening, our worship service will be an **in-person congregational worship** service with social distancing. Pastor John will continue his series "Faith Walk" with a focus on Hebrews 11:29 and Exodus 14 – "Red Sea."
- This Sunday evening, our offering will be for Farmer to Farmer. They seek to build strong, long-term partnerships so that together we can develop a proper biblical understanding of the causes of and solutions to poverty. Through these partnerships we seek to alleviate poverty in rural communities by developing value chain enterprises and by providing the opportunity of land ownership for landless farmers.

Next Week

- Next Sunday morning, our 10:00 AM worship service will be **in-person for Care & Concern Groups #6-10 and Livestreamed for everyone else**. Pastor John will lead us in worship and continue the series on the book of Ephesians called "Dear Church." He will focus on Ephesians 6:10-20 – "Armor of God."
- Next Sunday morning's first offering (Bethel Ministry Fund) supports the many ministries of this church and the Christian Reformed denomination. Our second offering is for the Bethel Christian Education Fund, which helps reduce the tuition for the children in our local Christian schools.
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- Next Sunday evening, our offering will be for Back to God Ministries.

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

Farmer to Farmer
Rolando & Yessenia Mejia
c/o Centro Nehemias
Apartado 1076
Managua, Nicaragua
CENTRAL AMERICA

Email: rolandomejia@yahoo.com

THANK YOU

From the Jr. YPS a big thank you to everyone who joined us for the meal on Monday night before the Congregational meal. We appreciate your support of our Jr. YPS program.

PRAYER MINISTRY

- Our condolences to Arie and Helen Byl at the death of Helen's last remaining sibling, John Vande Vegte on Friday, November 6. It was his 80th birthday. John's funeral was Tuesday, November at Trinity CRC in Rock Valley.
- We also pray for peace for Dan and Samantha De Weerd, Glen De Weerd, Cynthia Kruid, and their families as Ron De Weerd is unresponsive after a long battle with Covid-19 resulting in a stroke and a cardiac arrest on Friday, November 6. We pray for God's guidance and peace as the family makes decisions and as it appears that Ron is nearing the end of his earthly life.
- As Covid-19 cases continue to grow both locally, nationally, and globally, we pray for those who are battling the virus, those whose lives and livelihoods are deeply impacted, and for health care workers toiling on the frontlines. We also pray for God's leading and unity as we see to respond with wisdom and humility.
- Happy Anniversary to Art & Marlene Franken! They will be married 60 years on Monday, November 16.
- Happy Birthday to Marcine Schiebout! She will be 81 on Friday, November 20.
- We continue to join our community in praying for different local congregations. This week, we will be in prayer for the Bridge of Hope congregation. We pray for this congregation as they search for a new Pastor to lead their church.
- 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@bethelsc.org).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From the Deacons: The deacons thank you for your continued faithful giving. You can give anytime on-line at <https://app.easytithethe.com/App/Giving/bethelcrc> (there is up to 3% fee to use this site for credit cards; 1% for bank withdrawals). Checks can be mailed to church, dropped off at the office, or placed in the locked mail slot outside the office door. If you wish to give cash, please place in an envelope with your desired designation and place it in the indicated locked slot at the Welcome Center. All undesignated funds will be placed in the Ministry Fund. As always, we thank you for your generous giving, especially in these challenging times.

At our Congregational meeting on Monday, November 9 the following were elected to the office of Elder: Pete Haverhals, Steve Post, Daryl Wieringa, Kyle Wynia; the office of Deacon: Keith De Jong, Mark Haan, Jordan Hoogland. Chosen to the ministry of Care & Concern Coordinators: Maria Mulder, Karen Vreugdenhil.

Sunday School and Catechism Restart: The Discipleship Committee hopes to restart our Sunday School program today, Nov. 15! The proposed plan would continue every other week AM attendance by C&C group numbers to maintain distanced seating for the service. However, rather than teaching the same lesson two weeks in a row to cover both halves of our students, we will teach new Sunday School lesson each week. Half of the kids would be present for each lesson and the material will be sent home for the other half of the students with the hope that parents can be active participants in the discipleship of their children during their livestream week. Parents also have the option of dropping their kids off and/or have older kids drive in at 11:15 to attend on their livestream weeks. Our hope is this plan allows us to safely continue to disciple our children and youth in this challenging season

Sunday School Christmas Practice Schedule

- ~Nov. 15 - PreK-1st practice first, 2nd-4th practice at 11:45
- ~Nov. 22 - PreK-1st practice first, 2nd-4th practice at 11:45
- ~Nov. 29 - PreK-1st practice first, 2nd-4th practice at 11:45, PreK-1st practice at 5:30ish before their program
- ~Dec. 6 - 5th-6th practice at 11:15, 2nd-4th practice at 5:30ish before their program
- ~Dec. 13 - 5th-6th practice at 11:15 and at 5:30ish before their program

Operation Christmas Child: Shoe Box Gifts are now available! Please consider filling a box or two for a child in need. Pick up a box from the table in the narthex. Please return filled shoe box by Tuesday, November 17. If you have any questions, please contact Peg De Haan 712-441-7253.

Parents Night Nov 18: All parents of 7th-12th graders are invited to a night of encouragement and community learning at the Lighthouse from 7-9pm. Please use this link to submit questions ahead of time <https://www.mysurveygizmo.com/s3/5296775/YPS-Parent-s-Night> and then come to join the conversation around the joys & struggles of parenting.

The Prayer Committee will meet on Thursday, November 19 at 7:00 pm in the Council Room.

Thanksgiving Tree: In addition to the Thanksgiving video, we'd like to give Bethel members (guests are welcome too!) another opportunity to share what they are thankful for. A Thanksgiving tree has been drawn on one of the east windows of the narthex, and all ages are invited to decorate the tree with colorful expressions of gratitude. In this time of widespread unrest and division in our country, let's be sources of light and encouragement for each other!

Time of Celebration - November 22: With some distancing restrictions being in place for Covid-19, the Time of Celebration will look different. We will have baskets in church for gifting, and contribution for gift cards may be given to Verla Hoogland by November 20. We will not have the lunch and fellowship time but instead will deliver the gift baskets to the families. The families included are:

Marriage Celebration

Carrie (Whitfield) & Kody Vande Kamp married October 9, 2020

Baby Celebration

Wesley Dane, born September 15, 2020; son of Jared & Janie Bonestroo
Maverick Austin, born October 14, 2020; son of Chad & Jessi De Vries
Dylan Andrew, born October 15, 2020; son of AJ & Kirsten Borger
Homer Jay, born October 22, 2020; son of Josh & Ema McBrayer

THIS WEEK AT BETHEL

TODAY 9:30 AM **Prayer for Worship** – Cadet Room
 10:00 AM **Morning Worship Service – Care & Concern Groups #1-5**
 6:00 PM **Evening Worship Service**

MONDAY 6:00 PM **Elders Meeting** – GEMS Room
 6:30 PM **Deacons Meeting** – The Lighthouse
 8:00 PM **Council Meeting** – GEMS Room

TUESDAY 11:00 AM **Staff Meeting** – Council Room

WEDNESDAY 7:00 PM **Cadets**
 7:00 PM **YPS** – Parents Night
 7:00 PM **GEMS**

THURSDAY 7:00 PM **Prayer Committee Meeting** – Council Room

FRIDAY 7:00 PM **LIFT** – The Lighthouse

NEXT SUNDAY 10:00 AM **Morning Worship Service – Care & Concern Groups #6-10**
 6:00 PM **Evening Worship Service**



YPS: This Wednesday from 7-9pm is small groups. Your leaders will contact you with details. Masks are strongly recommended.

Jr. YPS: Large Group meeting tonight in the Lighthouse from 7-8:30. Carter Brock is down for devotions. Masks are strongly recommended.

	TODAY	Next Week, Sunday, November 22
Sound	Wade Vanden Berg & Ryan Fedders	Allan Bolkema & Ryan Fedders
Video	Mikayla Meyers	Janna Bolkema
Power Point	Mike Meyers	Judy Van Voorst
PM Offering	Farmer to Farmer	Back to God Ministries
Ushers AM	Dave D, Chad H, Lyle VK, Jeff VV	Timon R, Tim S, Rod Z, Matt D
Ushers PM	Joel S, Dave B, Jon M	Nate DW, Ross F, Dave D



Bethel CRC Welcomes You!

We invite visitors and guests to complete the information below and place it in the offering plate.

Today's Date: _____ **Time of Service:** (please circle one) **AM** **PM**

Name(s): _____ **Email:** _____

Address _____ **City** _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Please Circle One: **Visitor** _____ **Guest** _____ **College Student** _____

Requests:

- I would like to talk to a Pastor or Elder
- I desire to be baptized or make Profession of Faith.
- I would like more information on joining Bethel CRC
- I desire information about youth ministries.
- I would like to know more about ministry opportunities at Bethel CRC and where I may serve.
- I would like to volunteer for _____
- I would like to request prayer for _____
- Other _____

Bethel Christian Reformed Church
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GOD GATHERS US IN WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Prayer of Invocation

*Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn: **PH #237 "We Praise You, O God" st 1-3**

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

*Song of Praise: **"This I Believe" 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.

RENEWING GOD'S COVENANT IN CHRIST

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Song of Commitment: **"By Our Love" st 1-3 (men on st 1, women st 2, all on chorus and st 3) (CCLI)**

- 1) Brothers, let us come together, walking in the Spirit: there's much to be done.
We will come reaching, out from our comforts, and they will know us by our love.
- 2) Sisters, we were made for kindness, we can pierce the darkness as He shines through us.
We will come reaching, with a song of healing and they will know us by our love!

Chorus: The time is now: come, Church, arise. Love with His hands, see with His eyes.

Bind it around you, let it never leave you, and they will know us by our love!

- 3) Children, you are hope for justice, stand firm in the truth now, set your hearts above.
You will be reaching, long after we're gone, and they will know you by your love. (*Chorus 2x*)

Profession of Faith of Alexis Haverhals

Profession of Faith of Erica Feikema

Song of Commitment: **"Living Hope" st 1-3 (CCLI)**

- 1) How great the chasm that lay between us, how high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation I turned to heaven, and spoke Your name into the night.
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness, tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written, Jesus Christ, my living hope.
- 2) Who could imagine so great a mercy, what heart could fathom such boundless grace.
The God of ages stepped down from glory to wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken I am forgiven, the King of kings calls me His own.
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever, Jesus Christ my living hope.

Chorus: Hallelujah praise the One who set me free, hallelujah death has lost its grip on me.

You have broken every chain, there's salvation in Your name, Jesus Christ my living hope.

- 3) Then came the morning that sealed the promise, Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion declared the grave has no claim on me. (*Repeat*)
Jesus, Yours is the victory. (*Chorus 2x*)
O God, You are my living hope.

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Prayer for Right Hearing

Scripture: ***Ephesians 6:1-9***

Sermon: ***Dear Church: "Redeemed Relationships"***

Prayer of Application

GOD CALLS US TO RESPOND IN FAITH AND OBEDIENCE

*Hymn of Response: ***PH #545 "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" st 1-3***

Pastoral Prayer

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

GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*Closing Song: ***"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" st 1-2 (LUYH #693)***

- 1) Amazing grace – how sweet the sound – that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.
- 2) 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Refrain: My chains are gone, I've been set free; my God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood, his mercy rains unending love, amazing grace.

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology: ***"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)" st 4-5 (LUYH #693)***

- 4) Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

- 5) When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than we we'd first begun. (*Refrain X2*)

*Postlude: ***"We Will Extol You, God and King"***

Minister of the Word: Pastor John Lee

Organist: Karen Vreugdenhil

Pianist: Jennifer Frens

Vocalists: Kevin and Sandi Wynja, Cole Wynja, Kendra Wynja

Drums: Cassie Van Otterloo

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*Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn of Praise: ***"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" st 1-4 (CH #90)***

- 1) Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!
- 2) All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heaven reflect Thy rays.
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in Thee!
- 3) Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother – all who live in love are Thine.
Teach us how to love each other; lift us to the joy divine!
- 4) Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning starts began;
Love divine is reigning o'er us, leading us with mercy's hand.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life!

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Psalm Reading: Psalm 106:1-12

Song of Response: ***PH #152 "I Will Sing unto the Lord"***

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Prayer for Right Hearing

Scripture: ***Hebrews 11:29 and Exodus 14:1-4, 10-14, 21-31***

Sermon: ***Faith Walk: "Red Sea"***

Prayer of Application

GOD CALLS US TO RESPOND IN FAITH AND OBEDIENCE

*Hymn of Response: ***PH #452 "He Leadeth Me" st 1-4***

Offering: Farmer to Farmer

*Profession of Faith: *Apostles' Creed (PH page 813)*

GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*Benediction

*Doxology: ***PH #543 "Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer" st 1-3***

*Postlude

Minister of the Word: Pastor John Lee

Organist: Mick Visser