

Bethel Christian Reformed Church
January 12, 2025

Welcome to worship at Bethel! We are thankful you have joined us for a time of worship, renewal, and encouragement. We invite you to make Bethel your church home if you are seeking a place to worship regularly. After the morning service you are invited to join us for refreshments in the fellowship hall.

Morning Worship Service – 9:30 a.m.
 Led by: Mr. Luke Vander Leest

- Prelude**
- Welcome and announcements**
- Call to worship**
- * **God’s greeting**
- * **We greet each other**
- * **Opening song:** *His Glory and My Good*
The Battle and The Blessing
- Baptism of Graham Spronk**
- Song of response:** *Turn Your Eyes* sung by Erin Krosschell
- Preparation for celebration of The Lord’s Supper next Sunday**
 (Children’s sermon for grades 2-4 in the society room.)
- Prayer of God’s people**
- Offering** for Cornerstone Prison Church
- * **Song of preparation:** *Christ is Mine Forevermore*
 (Children’s church (ages 3-5) and children’s worship (grades K-1) dismissed)
- Scripture:** 2 Timothy 1:1-14
- Message:** AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO BE FAITHFUL
- * **Song of application:** *I Love to Tell the Story* – PsH 530 (1-2)
- * **Parting words**
- * **Parting song:** *I Love to Tell the Story* – PsH 530 (3)

Evening Worship Service – 6:30 p.m.
 Led by: Pastor Jack Gray

- Prelude**
- Welcome**
- * **God’s greeting to His people**
- * **Opening songs:** *To God Be the Glory* – PsH 473 (1-3)
You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim – PsH 477 (1-3)
- Nicene Creed**
- Song of response:** *Christian Hearts in Love United* – PsH 513 (1-3)
- Prayer**
- * **Song of preparation:** *Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak* – PsH 528 (1,3,4)
- Scripture:** Genesis 45:21-28; Text: John 20:21b, 22b
- Message:** DON’T QUARREL ON THE WAY
- * **Song of response:** *Here I Am, Lord*
- * **God’s blessing to his people**
- * **Closing song:** *You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim* – PsH 477 (4)
 (Your evening offering for Cornerstone Prison Church can be put in the collection bags at the sanctuary doors.)

Offering Schedule:

- January 12: Cornerstone Prison Church
- January 19: Gideons; Communion: Bible League International
- January 26: Cadets
- February 2: First Fruits (General Fund)

Church Family:

- As a congregation we extend our sympathy to **Travis & Heather Rieck** and their family in the passing of Heather's grandmother, Joan Fransman.
- **Rena Tinklenberg** has moved into assisted living at Edgebrook.
- This morning, we have the joy of witnessing the baptism of **Graham Spronk**, son of **Seth & Taylor Spronk**. We praise God for this gift of new life and pray that Graham will never cease to wonder at what God has done for him.

This Week’s Activities:

WEDNESDAY:

- 9:30 am **Coffee Break/Story Hour**.....First CRC
- 7:00 pm **Youth Group**..... YPS Room

NEXT SUNDAY:

- 8:30 am **Prayer Meeting**..... Prayer Room
- 9:30 am **Morning Worship Service** Bethel
- 10:45 am **Sunday School** for grades 2-12Classrooms
- 10:45 am **Adult Bible Study**..... YPS Room
- 6:30 pm **Evening Worship Service** Bethel



STEPHEN MINISTRY:

Let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance. -Proverbs 1:5

Advance Dates:

- January 26: Cadet Sunday – PM Service at Bethel
- January 30: Union Gospel Mission Chapel Service
- February 1: RESGEN Men’s Summit 2025, 8:00-1:00, simulcast at Bethel

Announcements:

CHURCH

High School Catechism will not meet today. They will meet January 19 & 26, after the morning service.

From Pastor Jack: Next week sermons requested by the Bethel church family begin. These messages will all be Sunday morning until Lent when in morning worship we reflect on people Jesus met on His way to the cross. Evening messages will provide practical steps to live as Reformed Christians in our current secular culture. Please pray all messages at Bethel will enrich your walk with God.

Notes from the January Council meeting:

- Council discussed the upcoming ResGen men’s conference that Bethel will be a simulcast host site for.
- To educate themselves on CRC Church Order, articles 78-80 were read and discussed.
- Council members serving in their respective office for the first time signed the Covenant for Office Bearers, signifying their commitment to uphold the word of God and the doctrines of our church.
- To keep the congregation informed, Council decided to print the names of current elders and deacons in the bulletin each week (see the Helpful Information box).
- KDWC informed Bethel that another church will be broadcasting their service from 10:30-11:30 on Sunday mornings. As a result, Bethel’s radio broadcast will end at 10:30.

Members of the Executive Committee for 2025 are the following: Council President: Leland Vanderaa, Vice President: Tim Van Dyke, Secretary: Brent Van Schepen, Deacon President: Ross Fey, Deacon Secretary: Kyle Fey.

Young men and fathers at Bethel: The "*BetterMan Group*" is a Christian organization focused on providing men with a structured curriculum to study and understand biblical masculinity, aiming to help them become "better men" in their relationships, work, and overall life through group studies based on teachings about leadership, responsibility, and character development within a Christian framework. Bethel will begin a series of group studies consisting of bi-weekly (twice a month) video teachings and group discussions in February. We welcome you to join us. Contact Terry Tinklenberg for information.

RESGEN Men’s Summit 2025 is a half-day conference that equips and encourages men, ages 17 and up, to grow and fulfill their purpose as leaders, husbands, fathers, and Christ-followers. The theme for this year’s event is ‘Being a Man who is All HEART’ and features five dynamic speakers including resources. Bethel CRC in Edgerton is simulcasting the Summit which runs from 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM on Saturday, February 1. Cost to attend the simulcast is \$25 per person which includes morning snacks and a light lunch. To register, use the following QR code:



SCHOOL

Southwest Homecoming Week is coming up! Come and help support our Juniors for their class trip to Washington, DC this fall, while enjoying some delicious food.

- Tuesday, January 13: (Boys basketball will be playing MCC) Sub supper with toppings, chips, homemade bars, and a drink - \$9. Meal starting time is 5:15 p.m.
- Saturday, January 18 (girls and boys double header against Central MN Christian starting with girls at noon) Pulled pork buns, chips, cookie and a drink - \$8. A piece of homemade pie available to purchase separately also for \$4! Meal starting time is 11:00 a.m.

COMMUNITY & OTHER ITEMS

Attention single young adults ages 19-29: MIK Youth and its supporting classis (Minn-Kota, IA-Kota, & Heartland Classis) are excited to announce the launching of a new sister ministry, as of January 1, 2025 called **MIK +**. This is a regional ministry for single young adults ages 19 - 29 years of age. It will consist of Bible Study, fun outings, and perhaps some service trips or service days. Our first official gathering will take place on January 18, 2025 at the Worthington (MN) CRC at 6 pm. Our plan is to study each book of the Bible starting with Genesis and working our way to Revelation. If you or someone you know is interested in joining us, or if you would like more information, please email Lee at mikyouthnetwork@gmail.com. -Lee De Groot & Pastor Doug De Groot

Wednesday, January 22- "March for Life" at MN State Capitol

We often ask "What can we do besides pray for our state and our country"? Here is an opportunity for you to join others and show your support for LIFE! Join others and go along to our State Capitol on Wednesday, January 22. A comfortable Motorcoach will be departing at 6:45 am from Pipestone CRC and departing Woodstock Community Church at 7:05 am. Cost is \$55. Please take a sack lunch for noon and we will stop for a hot meal on the way home. Be back around 7 pm! Call 507-227-0905 asap, or email to roxiestours@gmail.com to reserve your spot. We are only at the capitol for a little over an hour. You are able to go inside the rotunda, march a little while in front of the capitol and then MCCL has a time of remembrance for the 12,000 aborted last year in MN/ prayer/ message. Motorcoach is parked nearby if you need to warm up or sit.

If you can't go, would you join the 1000's that will gather at our capitol that day in prayer on this day of remembrance?

There will be a **Red Cross blood drive** at the First Christian Reformed Church in Edgerton on Monday, January 27 from 12:30 to 6:30. Please call Betty at 507-227-8416 to make or confirm an appointment. There is a constant need for blood. We would like to encourage our young adults to come and donate a unit of blood for someone/somewhere. Anyone 16 yrs (with parents consent) and older and in good health is eligible to donate.

2025 Marriage Conference: Reconnecting Through Love & Laughter. Join us at Trinity Reformed Church (7301 S Louise Ave, Sioux Falls SD) on February 15, 2025, as we host our 2025 marriage conference featuring youth, marriage, and family communicator – Greg Speck. Bring your spouse for a day of encouragement and connection! Cost is \$25/person. For more information and to register, please visit: trinityrcus.org.

Kids' Corner: Loving My Enemy - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. As you listen, remember that what bullies say about you doesn't define you. God has already said who you are. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's The Bible in One Year Plan.

Groundwork: Repentance, Forgiveness, and Sin's Consequences - Does God still punish us for our sins, even though in Jesus he forgives all our sins? Join Groundwork as we explore 2 Samuel 12 and the prophet Nathan's conversation with King David to help us answer that question and discover God's hope even in bad situations. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday - January 19 - Next week, Thrive invites congregations to explore a holistic ethic of life as it relates to the unborn, people with disabilities, and end of life issues on Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. Learn more and discover other resources now at this website: crcna.org/life

Register for a High School Experience of a Lifetime! - Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) is accepting applications for the upcoming weekend at the New Life Church in Sioux Center, Iowa. TEC is an interdenominational three-day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. The next TEC is February 14-16, 2025. If you would like to learn more about TEC or register, please visit www.TriStateTEC.org or email TriStateTEC@gmail.com. The cost is \$50 and includes a t-shirt & other special gifts. Scholarships are available upon request. Are you an adult but still want to be involved? We are also accepting applications for adults over 21 to join our team for the weekend and help these students experience Jesus! Visit tristatetec.org for more information.

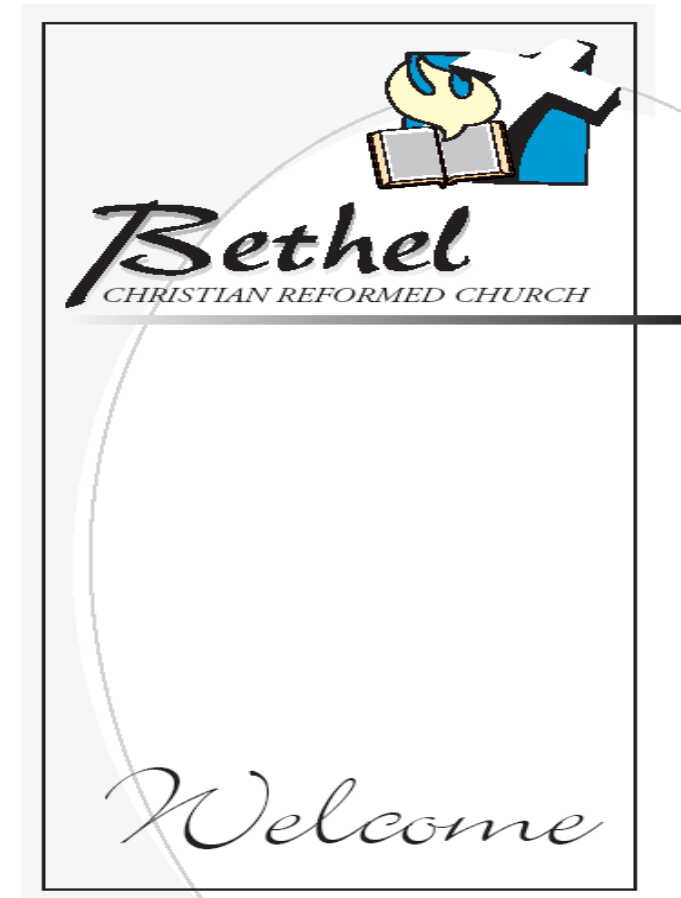
Notice of Address Change - The CRC denominational offices in the US have moved. Here is their new address if you would ever like to send correspondence or a financial gift to Thrive, ReFrame, Resonate, or The Banner: 300 East Beltline NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506-1208 for all mail. More information can be found at: crcna.org/contact

Helpful Information

NURSERY: available for infants and toddlers on lower level
CHILDREN'S CHURCH & WORSHIP (AM): ages 3-1st grade are dismissed to their classes downstairs after the offertory
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (AM): grades 2-4 in the society room during the pastoral prayer
HEARING AID DEVICES: available at the media desk
REFRESHMENTS: after the morning service
PRAYER ROOM: you are invited to join the prayer team before the Sunday services
WEBSITE: www.betheledgerton.org
OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday 1-5 pm & Thursday 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
 Secretary ph: 442-3063 bethelcrccdgeron@yahoo.com
 Announcements need to be in by Thursday, 10:00 a.m.
JANITOR: Marv 507-215-7464; Kendra 507-227-0488; mkuipers0809@gmail.com
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WEATHER RELATED SERVICE INFORMATION: KDWC (99.3FM), K101 (101.1FM), KLOH (1050AM), KNWC (96.5FM), KELOLAND TV
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 Leland Vanderaa, President
 Tim Van Dyke, Vice President
 Brent Van Schepen, Clerk
 Doug Eisma
 Greg Hanenburg
 Dennis Kroll
 Mark Van Dam
 Rob Van Hill
 Ron Vander Lugt
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 Isaac Odland
 Ryan Bridgewater
 Kyle Fey, Secretary of Deacons
 Dylan Walhof
 Mike Fenske
 Matt Tinklenberg
 Josh Van Essen

Our Helpers

PREACHING Today: AM: Mr. Luke Vander Leest PM: Pastor Jack Gray
 Next Week: AM: Pastor Jack Gray PM: Pastor Jack Gray
ACCOMPANIST Today: AM: Michelle Moosey PM: Linda Vanderaa
 Next Week: AM: Kendra Van Hill PM: Rachel Prins
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Today: Matt Vande Kamp Next Week: Linda Vanderaa
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Today: Bonnie De Boer Next Week: Karen Dyk
CHILDREN'S WORSHIP Today: Rose Kroll & Maya Krosschell
NURSERY Today: AM Infant: Lori Fey, Mara Prins, Jack De Jongh
 Toddler: Amy Hanson, Carson Rozeboom, Maggie Caspersen,
 Chapter Meksavanh, Jase Van Stelten
 PM: Brevan & Brenna Jasper
 Next Week AM Infant: Emily Hanenburg, Alexa De Boer, Boden Rieck
 Toddler: Melissa Kooiker, Maddie Van Essen, Miles Prins,
 Sophie Van Essen, Sierra Van Dyke
 PM: Bonnie De Boer
USHERS Today: Ron Vander Lugt, Jesse Kooiker, Dan Hanson
 Next Week: Jon Kroll, Justin Prins, Lloyd Prins
HOST/HOESSESS Today: Kendra Kuipers
 Next Week: Dean & Becky Van Hulzen
SOUND SYSTEM Today: Huck Next Week: Derek/Denny
VIDEO CAMERA Today: Cal Next Week: Brent
MULTI-MEDIA Today: Kyle Next Week: Dan
REFRESHMENTS Today: Becca Van Schepen, Karen Van Schepen,
 Renae Van Stelten, Randy & Lisa Pfeifle
 Next Week: Lin Van't Hof, Tricia Veldkamp,
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 Pastor Jack Gray
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 Mary – Southeast Asia
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 Cornerstone Prison Church - South Dakota
 Children of the Promise – Haiti
 Vasya & Maranda Heytsi – Ukraine
 Kylee – Central Asia

Worship Guide and Weekly News

Morning Worship – 9:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.