

# Bethel Weekly Update

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## Announcements and Updates

**WORSHIP INFORMATION FOR THIS WEEKEND** - Pastor Mark Brouwer will continue the message series about our Bethel Vision, and the spiritual practices that we are focusing on for the Q4 Spiritual Quest. The message this Sunday is **"Living for a Higher Purpose"** taken from Mt 25:14-30, 1 Pe 4:10; 2 Co 9:6-9. (We'll also be celebrating communion together – see below.)

**IN CASE YOU MISSED IT - LAST WEEK'S WORSHIP** – Pastor Mark offered teaching about the church, in recognition of the 30th anniversary of his ordination to ministry. The message was entitled: : **"Practice 3: Being Part of a Discipleship Group."**

**Sermon Text:** Acts 2:42-47; 1 Ti 2:1-2; 1 Co 4:14-17

**Sermon Video:** <https://youtu.be/EnhSydh6GN4?t=2572>

**Sermon Outline:** <https://www.bethelprinceton.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Sermon-Outline-QUEST3-Group.pdf>

**JOIN US IN THE "Q4 SPIRITUAL QUEST"** – This past Sunday, Pastor Mark Brouwer gave the official invitation for us to begin the 90 Day Spiritual Quest that will take us through the end of the year. This 90 Day adventure is the focus of the current message series: we're talking about six specific Christian practices that will help us grow in our faith and experience God in a powerful way. Here are some links to resources you'll want to have for this time:

**Video of Q4 Quest Overview & Invitation:** <https://youtu.be/3nFSZom9lQo?t=1877>

**Overview of Q4 Quest:** <https://markbrouwer.com/quest/>

**Bible Reading Plan:** <https://markbrouwer.com/q4-quest-bible-reading-plan-sheet1/>

**Overview of a Daily Time with God Method:**

<https://markbrouwer.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Q4-Spiritual-Quest-Daily-Time-with-God-1.pdf>

**Video of a "Daily Time with God Method":** <https://youtu.be/ONWPhGCAHfU>

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER:** This Sunday, October 17th, we invite you to a time of joyful, life-changing reflection in preparation for participating in communion. One of our denominational publications states that the Lord's Supper is a time when God acts to, "nourish, sustain, comfort, challenge, teach and assure us." We invite you to prepare for these blessings as you reflect this week on God's grace. To help with your preparation we encourage you to consider the words of Psalm 139: 23, 24, "Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."

**NEW VIDEO TEACHING: TWO KINDS OF MEDITATION** — This week, pastor Mark has dropped a video on his YouTube channel that is related to the Q4 Quest, but has relevance whether you're participating or not. Many Christians know the Bible talks about meditation, but there's also a lot of discussion in our culture about meditation, and they find themselves a little confused about the practice, and hesitant to engage in it, because some of the methodologies have their roots in Eastern Religious practices. Check out this video, where Mark clarifies some types of meditation:

<https://youtu.be/DYQkREvp1Ck>

The **TODAY** devotional booklet for Nov/Dec is on the information table for you to pick up.

**ELDER AND DEACON NOMINATIONS:** It is time to nominate candidates for the office of Elder and Deacon. Briefly, the Elders are responsible for the spiritual health and oversight of the church, and for pastoral care; and the Deacons are responsible for the financial stewardship and building upkeep, as well as providing mercy to those in need. We are grateful for the service of outgoing members: Terri Baas (Elder), Terry Reed (Elder), Erick Frauendienst (Deacon) and John Huonder (Deacon). We are looking for two positions each for Elder and Deacon for three year terms that begin in January. Please get in touch with any Council Member with names to consider for nominations as soon as possible.

**Let's invite our friends and neighbors to:**

**Sunday School: Sundays (10:45-11:45 am)**  
**Connections (girls) & Boys Club: 1st & 3rd Weds. (6:00-7:30 pm)**  
**Wednesday's Table: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays (5:30-6:00 pm)**  
**Wednesday Small Group: 1st & 3rd Weds. (6:00-7:30 pm)**  
**Ignite Youth: Every Wed. (6:30, hang out; 7:00-9:00 pm group)**  
**Prayer Group: Every Thursday (7:00-8:00 am)**  
**Men to Action: 1st & 3rd Mondays (7:00-8:30 pm)**  
**Coffee Break/Nursery: Every Tuesday (9:15-11:00 am) Sept.28-Dec. 14**

**Address for MELISSA TERPSTRA:** Joel thought that Melissa would appreciate cards and communication as she transitions to work and life in Missouri. We are all going to miss her presence with us, and are eager for her visits home. **Address:** 1111 Hulen Drive, Columbia, MO 65203

**GET YOUR SUPPLIES FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** Christmas is a comin' and boxes to children are waiting to be filled! You will find a supply of boxes in the Gathering Place along with ideas of what to send, so help yourself! It's more important to include quality items that are useful as well as fun, rather than trying to fill many boxes. So decide to bless a child this Christmas, fill a gift box with love and remember to pray for the child it will go to. Collection week is November 15-22, 2021.

**Safety class for women** – Stefan Salmonson of Protective Services Incorporated ([www.protectiveservicesinc.net](http://www.protectiveservicesinc.net)) out of Mora will be providing a tactical and situational training on Saturday, October 30 from 9am to noon in the Ignite Center. Women, teens and older (It may be a bit intense for younger teens so use discretion) will learn to think, plan, move, and act differently. No firearms will be involved. Cost is \$10/person, and we will follow the training with a salad/fruit potluck (pulled pork buns provided). Please register by October 23 with Vonda Schiebout (320-630-4864) or Kimberly Peterson (320-492-6689).

<b>SERVANT SCHEDULE</b>	<b>October 17, 2021</b>	<b>October 24, 2021</b>
<b>Door Greeters:</b>	Gumby & Lisa Carman	Lance & Kim Erickson
<b>Christ Candle:</b>	Hanna Morris	Hanna Morris
<b>Coffee Café:</b>	Lisa Carman/Ginny Reed	Karen Sartell/Dorothy Swanson
<b>Nursery:</b>	Carol Van De Riet/Tonnie Huonder	Carol Van De Riet/Tonnie Huonder
<b>Second Offering</b>	None	None

## **We are Family**

### **Prayer Corner**

#### **Blessings:**

- **Jason Ruis:** Praise God that he is recovering, though slowly, Started eating and walking, and is out of ICU. Keep praying for his lungs to recover and strength to return. Also for Rachel and girls.
- **Men to Action:** Praise God for the 12 men who have started meeting together to study God's Word and encourage each other.

#### **Requests:**

- **Muriel McMinn** had (Rt) hip replacement surgery last week. Pray for a speedy recovery.
- **Michele & Troy Eggen's grandchildren, Scarlet and Balien,** are doing better. They both are recovering from RSV along with their mother.
- **Barb Herman:** Healing and pain relief after back; at home now, with home care. Prayers for Jerry, her caregiver. Happy that she is able to sleep in her own bed for the first time in 3 years.
- **Jenna, Terri Tadych's granddaughter** as she is in recovery, but having negative side effects from treatment medication. Pray for wisdom in her treatment course.
- **Caleb, McMinn's grandson** has had some seizures. Pray for the doctor's wisdom to treat him.
- **Dan Workman:** Pray for complete healing, strength and progress towards use of both legs.
- **Roger and Judy Schlieff:** Peace and health in transitions, move to daughter Esther's home in Becker.
- **Safety** for farmers as they harvest their crops.
- **All those who are suffering with or recovering from COVID.**
- **Families and friends grieving the recent loss of loved ones.**
- **Pray for all those battling relapse and addiction,** that they have the strength and courage, with God's help, to overcome and not fall into hopelessness. Pray especially for **Dan McCulloch** in his recovery.

*Our prayer team is here to pray for you! Please reach out via our comment card, call the office or email [bethelpinceton@gmail.com](mailto:bethelpinceton@gmail.com).*

<b>October Birthdays</b>					
Quentin Hendricks	3	Trenton Huonder	19	Genevieve Shaw	24
Hanna Morris	8	Kristy Storbakken	19	Matt Didier	26
Megan Oleen	8	Julian Baas	20	Hope Vermeer	27
Mary Kramer	9	Hermina Kiel	21	Levi Price	28
Jen Brevitz	10	Julie DeHaan	23	Toben De Haan	30
Eric Minks	12	Carolyn Koppendrayer	23		
Karen Schreur (Harv)	17	Connie Bartz	24		

### **Deacons Corner:**

<b>GENERAL FUND:</b>	<b><u>ACTUAL</u></b>	<b><u>BUDGET</u></b>	<b><u>+/-VARIANCE</u></b>
Offering Received 10/3/21	\$ 4,776.00	\$ 5,582.63	\$ 806.63
Offerings Received YTD:	\$ 210,002.47	\$ 228,887.83	\$ 18,885.36
<b><u>SPECIAL OFFERING:</u></b>	Debt Reduction YTD:	\$ 7,309.00	