

# Order of Worship

April 23, 2023

## Opening Hymn

*It is a Good Thing to Give Thanks Unto the Lord*  
Kim Erickson, Worship Leader

## Christ Candle

Hanna Morris

## Welcome & Greetings

Rob Braun

## Songs of Worship

*How Great is Our God*  
*My Redeemer Lives*

## Congregational Prayer

Charlene Brouwer

## Song

*Refiner's Fire*

## Offertory Prayer

Ken Krahnke, Deacon

## First Offering

Ongoing Ministries of Bethel

## Second Offering

Debt Reduction

## Message:

**"The Spiritual Therapy of Repentance and Forgiveness"**  
Matthew 4:17, 23  
Rob Braun

## Song of Response

*I Surrender All*

## Parting Blessing

Rob Braun


## Parting Song

*Our God Reigns*

## Come Let Us Pray Together!

We recognize the importance of praying for each other whether it be for a personal concern or joy that you wish to share. Please feel free to come to the front of the Worship Center after the service and someone with a "Prayer Servant" name tag will pray with you for whatever you would like to hold up to our great God.

**WE WELCOME ROB BRAUN** to the pulpit this morning. Rob is a member of Bethel and loves to bring God's Word to His people. He is married to Tammi and has three children and two grandchildren.

 **SECOND OFFERING TODAY – DEBT REDUCTION:** Our debt reduction offerings only occur when we have five Sundays in a month. This offering goes directly to pay principal only on our building loan thus reducing our monthly principal and interest payments. You can also give these donations at any time outside of the 5th Sunday by enclosing your cash or check in a sealed envelope marked accordingly and put it the offering plate. Thank you very much for your generosity!  
**Bethel Deacons**



**BETHEL LIFE LAB: Thursday, April 27 (7:30-8:30pm)** -- This month we'll have the first installment of the **Bethel Life Lab**. The Life Lab offers virtual events and gatherings that focus on applying the healing power of the Gospel to mental health challenges of our time. They are great opportunities to offer help and resources to friends and family who would not normally attend a church event. Thursday night's event will be a one-hour conversation with best-selling author Pilar Gerassimo, who wrote the book that Pastor Mark keeps quoting from, "**The Healthy Deviant.**" She will be answering questions about her research and her book -- which focuses on how and why the vast majority of Americans are living unhappy and unhealthy lives ... and what we can do about it.



**IGNITE WILD GAME FEED — APRIL 29th** beginning at 5:30pm with supper at 6:00pm. *Plan to come and support Ignite in their one and only fundraiser! Thank you* to those who have already donated items to the auction and have offered to provide food for the Wild Game Feed.

**THE TODAY DEVOTIONAL** for May/June is on the Information Table in the Gathering Place. May's devotions are about the Fruit of the Spirit. June's devotions are about Walking through the Bible.



**ARE YOU INTERESTED** in exploring an after-school program? Let Pastor Mark know. A meeting will be set up to brainstorm ideas.

There will be **Q&A** after the service beginning at 10:50am.

# COMMUNICATION CARD

Thank you for coming to worship  
with us this morning.  
Please stay after the service for refreshments  
and visit with one another.

If you are visiting, please allow us to send  
you a "Thank You" by filling out the  
following information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Other information: \_\_\_\_\_

## Please drop this slip in the Offering Basket

\_\_\_\_ I would like a call from the Pastor

\_\_\_\_ I would Like my E-mail added to the  
prayer chain at Bethel CRC

\_\_\_\_ Please update my contact information;  
it has changed

\_\_\_\_ I am a visitor and would like more  
information about Bethel CRC

# PRAYER REQUEST

If there is anything we can pray about on your behalf, please fill out this card and put it in the offering plate or in the Secretary's mailbox

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Request: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please let us know where you want your prayer request to go:

\_\_\_\_ Friday Morning Prayer Group

\_\_\_\_ Pastor only

\_\_\_\_ Put on Prayer Chain (e-mail)

\_\_\_\_ Put in Prayer Corner (bulletin)



## Meals A La Car



Bethel Christian Reformed Church has committed to assist the Meals ala Car program in Princeton during the month of **May** by delivering meals to homebound individuals to help them have healthier meals and maintain their independence in their own homes. If you are willing to deliver any of the days or if you have any questions, please contact me. There is also a sign-up sheet on the table in the Gathering Place. Thank you. Carolyn Koppendrayner 763-464-6120

<b>Sunday, April 23</b>	9:30am 10:50am	Worship Service—Rob Braun Sunday School
<b>Monday, April 24</b>	7:00pm	Laundry Love—Heather K/Carol VDR
<b>Tuesday, April 25</b>	9:30am 6:30pm	Coffee Break—Lesson 8 Council Meeting
<b>Wednesday, April 26</b>	6:30pm 7:00pm	Wednesday's Table Ignite Hang-out time
<b>Thursday, April 27</b>	7:30pm	Bethel Life Lab—Pilar Gerassimo
<b>Friday, April 28</b>	8:00am	Prayer at Bethel; coffee following
<b>Saturday, April 29</b>	5:30pm	Ignite Wild Game Feed
<b>Sunday, April 30 Brunch Sunday</b>	9:30am 10:50am	Worship Service—Pastor Mark Brouwer Sunday School

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# Bethel Christian Reformed Church

## Sunday, April 23, 2023

### Pastor Mark Brouwer



# Welcome

In the name of  
Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of Bethel Church is to glorify God in worship and our daily living, to evangelize His world, and to connect people to God so that they become part of a Christian community. We will accomplish this through prayer, joyful worship, Biblical training, use of spiritual gifts, Christian fellowship, and outreach in our community.