

Order of Worship

May 7, 2023

Prelude	<i>I Will Call Upon the Lord</i> Rob Braun, Worship Leader
Christ Candle	Olaf Storbakken
Welcome	Pastor Mark Brouwer
Songs of Praise	<i>Hymn of Heaven</i> <i>Your Name</i>
Congregational Prayer	Charlene Brouwer
Song	<i>Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling</i>
Offertory Prayer	Gene Finch, Deacon
Offering	Ongoing Ministries of Bethel
Message:	"Understanding our Context" Hosea 4:1-3 Pastor Mark
Song of Response	<i>I Will Praise Him Still</i>
Parting Blessing	Pastor Mark Brouwer
Parting Song	<i>I Exalt Thee</i>

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.



CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER NEXT SUNDAY: 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."



SECOND OFFERING NEXT SUNDAY — CROSSROAD BIBLE INSTITUTE: Crossroad Bible Institute equips the church to disciple people in prison with the Word of God, free of charge, wherever they are incarcerated. It is a personal, in-depth and long-term program that is uniquely designed to help incarcerated persons grow dramatically in a life-transforming relationship with Jesus Christ, preparing them for and assisting them in successful reentry upon release.



NURSERY HELPERS NEEDED: The nursery is once again being filled with the voices of children! If you are willing to take a turn in the nursery on a Sunday, please talk to Carol Van De Riet or Tonnie Huonder.



RUM RIVER LIFE CHOICES CENTER: This Mother's Day our church will join other area churches in participating in a Baby Bottle Campaign to help the pro-life ministry of the Life Choices Center. They hope to raise \$22,000 by filling 880 individual bottles (\$25 each). How many bottles will you fill?



Please **INVITE YOUR FRIENDS** and join us for a Pre-Summer Gathering and Games at Bethel Church. It will be on Friday, May 19th, from 6:30 to 8:30 at the outdoor fire circle. It will be a relaxed and fun evening to enjoy time with our Bethel family before summer travels take us all in different directions. Bring a lawn chair along with your favorite lawn games, table games, munchies, or campfire snacks to share. In case of rain, the gathering will be moved indoors (but lawn darts will not!).



BOOKTALK BOOKCLUB: The meetings for the summer months—May to September will be held on the 2nd Monday of the month with the exception of May and June which will be the 1st Monday.

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: _____

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)

LUNCH OUT, LADIES! Meet with other ladies for lunch at the Frontier Steak House on May 9th at 11:30am. Come to enjoy a good meal and wonderful fellowship!



Community Christian School in Pease is seeking a full-time lower elementary teacher for the 2023-2024 school year beginning in August. Our ideal candidate is a licensed professional who will energetically and faithfully lead a self-contained classroom of eager students and thrive in a Christ-centered environment. Interested candidates should send a cover letter and resume to Amy Banks at abanks@ccspease.com. Job description and application can be found on our website at <https://www.ccspease.com/about/careers.cfm>. The position will remain open until filled.

BETHEL LIFE LAB—PILAR GERASIMO: This event will take place via ZOOM on May 18th at 7:30pm. Pastor Mark will be sending out a link both to watch and to ask questions.

Sunday, May 7	9:30am 10:50am	Worship Service—Pastor Mark Brouwer Sunday School
Monday, May 8	6:30pm	Book Talk Book Club
Tuesday, May 9	11:30 am 6:30pm	Lunch Out, Ladies! Frontier Steak House Deacons Meeting
Wednesday, May 10	6:30pm 7:00pm	Wednesday's Table Ignite Hang-out time
Thursday, May 11	5:00pm 6:00pm	Executive Committee Meeting Elders Meeting
Friday, May 12	8:00am	Prayer at Bethel; coffee following
Sunday, May 14	9:30am 10:50am	Worship Service—Pastor Mark Brouwer Sunday School

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OFFICE HOURS: (closed Mondays) Tuesday—Friday: 9:00am—2:00pm

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Tues.—Fri.: 8:30am—4:30pm Sat.: 8:30am—12:00pm

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Bethel Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, May 7, 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.