

Order of Worship

December 24, 2023

Fourth Sunday in Advent

Welcome Pastor Mark Brouwer

Songs of Praise Hark the Herald Angels Sing
O Little Town of Bethlehem
The First Noel

Congregational Prayer Charlene Brouwer

Advent Litany & Lighting of the Advent Candles
Gumby & Lisa Carman

Song Away in a Manger

Offertory Prayer Linda Zgaynor, Deacon
Offering Ongoing Ministries of Bethel

“Answering Christmas Questions”
Pastor Mark Brouwer

Song of Response Go Tell It on the Mountain

Parting Blessing Pastor Mark Brouwer

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.

May you all have a Merry Christmas. May God richly bless each and every one of you!



SECOND OFFERING NEXT WEEK – 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. Thank you very much for your generosity! **Bethel Deacons**



NO SUNDAY SCHOOL today or December 31st.

THE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF PEASE is having a Christmas Day Service beginning at 10:00am. If you want to attend, please do. You would be very welcomed!



THANK YOU to Elder, Mark Oleen and Deacons, Linda Zgaynor and Joel Terpstra, for your dedication to serving God and His people. You have done an incredible job over the past three years.



WELCOME to Mark Baas, elder and Jody Rice and Matt Didier, deacons. Thank you for answering God’s call to serve on Council for the next three years. May He walk with you as you serve His church.



On **TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2024** Coffee Break Hangout begins and will be from 9:30-11:30am. All **men and women** are invited to attend. You may bring a craft to work on, play games, or just sit and visit... Please, bring your own beverage.



THANK YOU to all that donated or helped with the blood bank on December 14th. The Red Cross was happy with the number of units collected. Forty-one units of blood were collected from 37 donors, six people were deferred for various reasons and 2 units were QNS (Quantity Not Sufficient). The next donation day is **February 15, 2024**. New donors are always welcomed!

IN HONOR OF BETHEL CRC one (1) Bible will be distributed by members of The Gideons International to help transform lives through the Word of God.
DONATED BY Milaca Gideon Camp

COMMUNICATION CARD

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

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)

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Grace Christian Reformed Church in Inver Grove Heights is happy to inform you that after some challenging days, they were able to celebrate the ordination of Joseph Hwang on Saturday afternoon, December 9th. Give thanks with us for the Lord raising up those who can serve as pastors in His church. Since Pastor Joe has had a difficult time with the lost of two family members in the last month, pray that he will be able to begin his ministry in spite of these challenges. **Henry Gunnink, clerk for Classis Lake Superior**

This is the church where Perrin Werner served before he and his family left for Japan to be missionaries.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 24 Christmas Eve	9:30am	Worship Service—Pastor Mark Brouwer
	10:50am	NO Sunday School
	5:00pm	Candlelight Service
Wednesday, December 27	6:00pm	Wednesday's Table
	6:30pm	Ignite Youth Group Christmas Party
Friday, December 29	8:00am	Friday Prayer Group
Sunday, December 31	9:30am	Worship Service—Pastor Mark Brouwer
	10:50am	NO Sunday School

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

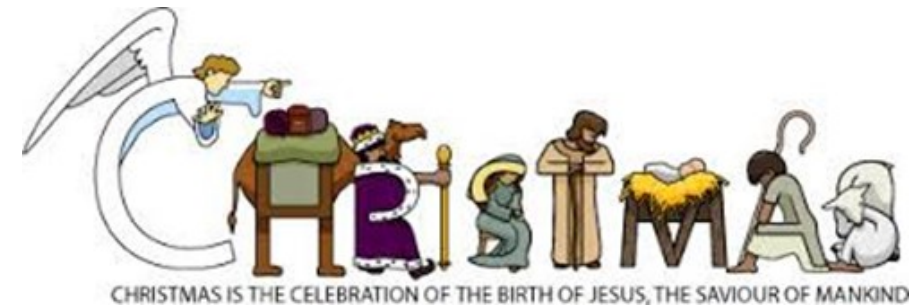
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Pastor Mark Brouwer



Have a Blessed Christmas!

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.