



BETHEL CHURCH

October 13, 2013 ~ 10:30am

We welcome you warmly in the name of Jesus Christ!

Prelude

Call to Worship

Christ Candle – Olivia Ruis

Welcome and Greetings

Karen Schreur

Songs of Praise and Worship

~ Children Age 4 – Grade 1 Dismissed to Children in Worship ~

Morning Prayer

Elder Rob Braun

Offering

General Fund

God Speaks Through His Word

Isaiah 55:8-9, Psalm 139:17-18

Red Bible ~ Page 733, 618

Black Bible ~ Page 525, 445

Message

“How Big is Your God?”

Rob Braun

Communion

Parting Blessing

Rob Braun

Closing Song

Join us in our Gathering Place today for Coffee, Cookies and Conversation!

We thank B&J Bullivant and G&R Bazuin

for serving us today!



We welcome you to Bethel Church!
***Our God is bigger than the universe and time itself and
at the same time, intimately involved in every part of our lives.***

CELEBRATE WITH US! Our worship today includes the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Jesus died on the cross and was raised from the dead in order that we might be joined together and brought to our Father in heaven. Let's enjoy this meal together as that which most binds us together.

THANK YOU to Rob Braun, Bethel CRC Commissioned Pastor who will be leading us in worship today. Next Sunday, we will hear from El LaGrew, Bethel CRC Elder.

SECOND OFFERING NEXT WEEK – OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - a global Christmas gift exchange project operated by Samaritan's Purse. Each November it opens thousands of locations to collect shoeboxes filled with toys, school supplies, personal items, and other gifts. These boxes are distributed as Christmas gifts, accompanied by Christian literature. Since 1993, more than 100 million boys and girls in over 130 countries have experienced God's love through the power of simple shoebox gifts from Operation Christmas Child. Samaritan's Purse works with local churches and ministry partners to deliver the gifts and share the life-changing Good News of Jesus Christ. We thank you for being a part of reaching this significant milestone. There are many ways to help, whether it's packing your own box, giving a donation of \$7 or more to help us cover project expenses like shipping the boxes, spreading the word, or even dedicating your time to pray for the boys and girls who will receive these life-changing gifts. The children thank you!



ELDERS AND DEACONS will meet tomorrow night at 7:00pm. Elders check your mailboxes for your agenda.

GEMS & BOYS' CLUB – meet this Wednesday at 6:00pm with a light dinner at 5:30pm. If you have children Grade 1 – 6th Grade, come and join us for a great night of fun and learning!

JUST FOR YOU! – will meet this Thursday at 6:00pm at Bethel. *JUST FOR YOU* is an opportunity to join in worship with our cognitive impaired adults meeting twice a month for a meal, craft and worship including singing, praying and teaching. **Thursday evenings from 6:00-7:30pm. The first Thursday of the month is at New Life Church and the 3rd Thursday is at Bethel.** All are invited to join us as we live life together! Contact Heather Kittok @ 320.983.2414.

BOOKTALK BOOKCLUB will be meeting next on **Monday, October 28th at 7:00pm.** We will be discussing the book “Moloka’i”. If you have questions, please contact Deb Droogsma at 763.389.4766.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY INTEREST? If you would be interested in a Wednesday evening Bible study from 6:00 – 7:30pm (with a light dinner at 5:30pm) meeting at the same time as GEMS/Boys’ Club/Ignite, please contact Betsy Wergin at 763.389.3843.

CLASSIS HIGHLIGHTS: Classis is the regional group of CRC churches, which met on September 16-17 at Baldwin CRC, Wisconsin. Here are some highlights:

- Dr. Loren Haarsma from Calvin College presented on the topic of Origins in our Monday afternoon seminar. In the evening we spent time in worship and prayer.
- Classis decided to fund two Canadian youth workers to attend the Canadian Youth Workers Conference in November. There is still time to apply—contact the clerk!
classicalclerk@tbaytel.net
- Transitions: Rev. Kasey VanderVeen accepted a call to Good News Fellowship, Winnipeg; Rev. Ken Douma (Covenant, Winnipeg) accepted a call in Classis Alberta North; Rev. Anthony Sytsma to Classis Lake Erie; Rev. Bob Vance (Hope, Thunder Bay) retired from ministry earlier this year.
- Examinations (and approval!) of two candidates for ministry: Joe Hamilton (First, Thunder Bay) and Michael Ten Haken (Pease CRC).
- First CRC of Crookston, after 96 years of faithful ministry, has decided to disband. Classis accepted their request, effective Sept. 29, 2013.
- New position description adopted for Regional Pastors (they are the pastors of the pastors).
- Follow Classis: Facebook: ClassisLakeSuperior | twitter: @ClassisLS | classis.wordpress.com
- Next meeting: March 3-4, 2014, at Calvary, Edina.

Join us for worship!


October 20	El La Grew – Bethel CRC Elder
October 27	Jerry Van Someren – Lay Pastor at Baldwin CRC, Baldwin, WI
November 3	Pastor Arlan Koppendrayner – Calvin Christian Chaplain, Fridley
November 10	Pastor Darren Gray
November 17	TBA
November 24	Teen Challenge Choir
December 1, 8, 15, 22	Rob Braun - Bethel CRC Commissioned Pastor

Happening in our family!

THANK YOU! A special note of thanks for the love, prayers, and meals offered for us during the last two months. God shined His love through our Bethel family and we so appreciate it. Blessings to each one!
Norma and Julian Baas

TURKEY CARDS/STAMPS are now available through Coborns. If you do not plan on using the stamps you receive on your Coborns receipts or cards in order to redeem them for a turkey, please bring them to the church office. Bethel will find a way to use them to help others. Thank you!



 **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD!** Boxes can be created NOW and brought to Bethel anytime before Nov. 17. Call Carlene at 763.389.2601 with questions.

CHRISTMAS GIVING PROGRAM! Several congregations and individuals joined together last year to bless hundreds of people in our community who would not have otherwise received Christmas gifts. If you have more questions, please talk with Bonnie, 763.389.5715.



Here are ways YOU can be involved this year:

- **Give to the collection box. Accepting: socks, toilet paper, shampoo and conditioner, etc.**
- **Sponsor a family of whatever size works for your family or ministry – see sponsor forms in the Gathering Place.**
- **HELP Judy Schlieff make gift tags for the many gifts that are given by our community. Assist her with your Cricut, donate scrapbooking paper, or just help! Please call her at 763.389.4942.**
- **Plan now to make cookies to give the families. We will be “Cookie Central” again this year with our Ignite Youth Group sorting the cookies for the program.**
- **Family applications are now available at the Princeton Pantry and in our Gathering Place for families who perceive a need for help this Christmas.**



PIES FOR GUATEMALA - The Pease CRC Guatemala Mission Team has 1,500 Dutch Apple Pies available for sale NOW! Proceeds this year will go primarily to purchase a cement mixer which will be given to Vine and Branches (who World Renew works with as well) who in turn will allow villages to rent it at a very low price. Proceeds will also go toward water filtration systems, construction projects and school supplies. These pies are available unbaked and frozen. Anytime you want, you can take one out of the freezer, put tin in your oven, and enjoy the wonderful aroma and taste of fresh-baked homemade pie – without any of the work or mess!

Suggested donation is only \$10.00/pie but any extra will be welcomed and appreciated. Pies are available for you in the kitchen freezer. You can write a check made out to “PCRC” and write “GAP” on the memo line and place in Terri Baas’ mailbox in the manila envelope. Pies are also available at Kiel’s Appliance in Pease.



Happening in our neighborhood!

RR LIFE CHOICES CENTER – Reservations need to be made by October 16th. Fall Fundraising Banquet, “A Brand New Day,” is Saturday, October 26th. Join us for social time at 6:00pm with a meal at 6:30pm. Guest speaker is Heather Ruesch, former pregnancy center director from Wisconsin, and Christian singer/songwriter. Freewill donation. Reservations required – please call the Center at 320.983.3771 or email staff@milacapregnancy.com.

COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IN PEASE ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Beautiful wreaths, greenery and holiday poinsettias for sale! Beginning, Monday, Oct. 14th ending Friday, November 1st. Delivery will occur around Thanksgiving! Order forms will be available from any CCS student and the CCS office. Please consider purchasing your holiday decor from CCS! Questions: Kim Erickson [763.389.1089](tel:763.389.1089).
- Part time openings for Eagle Care (before & after school care) and Terrific 3's (an aid for Tuesdays and Thursdays). If you love Jesus Christ, young children, and are committed to Christian education contact Dick Ritzema, Principal, at dritzema@ccspease.com or 320.369.4239 today.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP (BSF) PILOT TO START IN OUR AREA – Are you interested in hearing more about a pilot study of BSF starting evenings in Jan/Feb in our area, maybe even at Bethel? Please share this with others in our community. This is an exciting opportunity to draw our communities together interdenominationally and also support our local churches in training up leadership!!

UPDATE: What a week we have had watching God move in ways that only He can. In this past week we have had a change of leadership, been given our "marching orders", scheduled a total of 9 presentations, and held one. This is an exciting time where we get to meet the women interested in signing up for the Pilot class and register them. We need at minimum of 75 women to register to move onto the next step in starting a class. We are Praising God for the 11 women who have registered so far. Be sure to check out the presentation schedule so you can come and register too.

Upcoming Presentation Schedule:

Oct. 12 at 1:00pm- Audrey Kile's home: 853 Harrison Drive, Big Lake, [763-245-8403](tel:763-245-8403)

Oct. 14 at 7:00pm - Jan Gibbs' home: 704 - 4th Ave S., Princeton, [763-389-4046](tel:763-389-4046)

Oct. 23 at 7:00pm - Janet Hart's home: 19345 Rhinestone St. NW, Nowthen, MN 55303, [763-360-3701](tel:763-360-3701)

Oct 26 at 10:00am - Sonja Carlson's home: 208 Kevin Longley Drive, Monticello [763-295-2153](tel:763-295-2153)

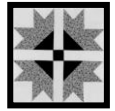
Oct. 26 at 3:00pm- Paula Negus' home: 6121 - 229th Ave NW, Anoka [763-753-3089](tel:763-753-3089)

Nov. 2 at 10:00am- Kim Garrison's home: 4923 Kassel Ave NE, Albertville, [763-482-3588](tel:763-482-3588)

Nov. 11 at 7:00pm - Karla Christensen's home: 807 Line Ave NW, Elk River [763-441-5231](tel:763-441-5231)

If you are interested in scheduling a Presentation please feel free to contact me at: [763-878-2370](tel:763-878-2370) or email: linda.loeks@gmail.com or Beth Kegler-Gray at [763-227-2690](tel:763-227-2690) or her email atbkeglergray@gmail.com. Beth and I look forward to see what God has in store for us as we Present BSF to the women in our community.

Bethel Prayer Corner ~ October 13 - 19



Praises

- Exalt the Lord because He has equipped every part of His body with His Spiritual gifts, His grace and His power to serve
- Al & Joan LaGrew's daughter-in-law, Melanie, whose survival and recovery are a true miracle; pray they may find out if thyroid could be a problem
- Karen Sartell's mother is doing well and is now living at Country Meadows
- Wonderful attendance at Coffee Break on Tuesday God's provision of caregivers
- Marlo DeYoung, from Lynden, WA had successful surgery for 5 by-passes & then a bleed and is doing well (a DRS worker)
- Rhoda Kennedy's move to Brian and Tara's making a good adjustment—pray it continues
- Leah's friend reports that Braxton, a newborn with problems is home from the hospital

Requests

- **Jerry & Kathryn Davidson** – lessen Jerry's pain as he continues on Hospice care in Elim Milaca
- Continue prayers for MilleLacs tribe as the Gideons must continue their wait on the Lord to change hearts in order to leave Bibles in the Casino Hotel Rooms
- Dick Riesberg's brother, Bob, went home to the Lord with funeral was Friday.
- Terri Baas' niece, Julie's significant brain hemorrhage and surgery on Friday; pray for healing and stability
- Mick Tadych's nephew's wife, Denise diagnosed with lung cancer requesting prayer for healing.
- Theresa Los as cancer interrupts her life; began chemo but was unable to have second chemo due to low blood count; pray for connection with the church body during this time and for Wes' health
- **Kathleen**, Roger & Judy's daughter; healing for her foot
- Aimee Remus as her mother passed away; funeral Monday
- Amy Miller, Coffee Break & BAC2ONE leader whose father-in-law passed away last week
- **Pastor Cal, Brenda and children** journeying through difficult times; healing of relationships
- Other hurting marriages in our church and community—seek God's best for each one
- **El & Joan's 9 yr. old granddaughter, Serenity** with progressing rare genetic disease, Hemoglobin M
- **Jill Bolduc's brother Jay's needs a new physical heart and a spiritual one; pray for God's grace**
- **Searching for a host church for Bible Study Fellowship** in our area; God's leading as they meet in the home of Jan Gibb's on Oct. 14th; God's direction for women to attend and register
- **JOBS FOR THOSE NEEDING WORK/MORE WORK: Jeff R., Amanda Weldon, Lindsey Philaya & others**
- **HEALING: Norma's foot, Andy Olson, Melanie LaGrew, Reed's grandson-Michael, Carl-McMinn's friend** broken bones are slowly healing
- **TRANSITIONS** for many older friends: **Deloris W.** in Andover; **Audrey H. mom** with Alzheimer; **Quentin H. & Corrine-Karen S. mom** both at Elim Princeton
- **Government leaders get their act together and make sensible decisions for us all**

Servant Schedule	<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>October 13</u>	<u>October 20</u>
	South Door Greeters:	S&D Gould	J&B Herman
	North Door Greeters:	D&P Gorham	H. Hagerman
	Main Door Greeters:	J&T Hyrkas	T&H Kittok
	Ushers & Response Folders:	Joel DH / Jeff R.	Joel DH / Jeff R.
	Christ Candle:	Olivia Ruis	Joshua Vermeer
	Nursery:	Carol VDR / Liz Braun	Karla L. / Justin V.
	Children in Worship Leader:	Bonnie O.	Hope V.
	Greeters:	Carrie R. / Kimmy Q.	Rachel R. / Tracee DH
	Feast Preparer:	Hope V.	Karla L.
Coffee Café:	B&J Bullivant G&R Bazuin	M&T Baas J&N Baas	
Second Offering:	None	Operation Christmas Child	

Deacon's Corner	<u>FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014</u>			
	<u>GENERAL FUND:</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>+/-VARIANCE</u>
	Offering Received on 10/6/2013:	\$ 7,264.00	\$ 4,545.87	\$ 2,718.13
	Offerings Received Year-To-Date:	\$ 46,729.94	\$ 45,458.70	\$ 1,271.24
	<u>BUILDING FUND:</u>			
	Debt Reduction Received Year-to-Date	\$ 1,303.00		
	<u>OTHER OFFERINGS:</u>			
Ignite Offering on 10/6/13	\$ 535.00			

Happy Birthday	Tim Bolduc	3	Suzette Vedders	7	Kristy Storbakken	19	Connie Bartz	24
	Quentin Hendricks	3	Bob Olson	14	Julian Baas	20	Hope Vermeer	27
	Joshua Baas	5	Karen Joy Schreur	17	Hermine Kiel	21	Levi Price	28
	Natasha Clayson	5	Krista McCain	18	Julie De Haan	23	Toben De Haan	30
	Halle Harrington							
	(Bolduc)	7	Trenton Huonder	19	Carolyn Koppendraye	23	Juliet Kuehn	30

Calendar

Sunday, October 13	9:30am	Sunday School for all ages!
	10:30am	Worship Service – Rob Braun
Monday, October 14	7:00pm	Elders & Deacons Meetings
Tuesday, October 15	9:30 – 11:30	Coffee Break/StoryHour/Little Lambs/Nursery
Wednesday, October 16	7:00am	Prayer at Bethel Church
	5:30pm	Light Dinner
	6:00pm	GEMS & Boys' Club
	7:00pm	Ignite Youth Group
Thursday, October 17	9:00am	Stitch & Share Field Trip
	6:00pm	Just For You – Bethel
Sunday, October 20	9:30am	Sunday School for all ages!
	10:30am	Worship Service – El LaGrew

We invite you to go to: www.bethelprinceton.com,
for more information on our ministries and also to hear
our archived sermons; just click on "Sermons."

Connecting people to God and to each other for the glory of God!

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose 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.

OUR MINISTRIES

<i>Prayer Groups</i>	<i>Sunday School</i>	<i>Sheltering Tree</i>	<i>Stitch & Share</i>	<i>Worship</i>
<i>BAC2ONE</i>	<i>Praise Groups</i>	<i>Care Baskets</i>	<i>Children in Worship</i>	
<i>Just for You!</i>	<i>Bethel Garden</i>	<i>Adult Retreat</i>	<i>Booktalk Bookclub</i>	

<i>Small Groups</i>	<i>Youth – Grades 1 – 6:</i>	<i>GEMS Girls Club & Boys Club</i>
	<i>Youth - Grades 7 - 12:</i>	<i>IGNITE</i>
	<i>Women:</i>	<i>Coffee Break w/Children's Programs, Women's Prayer Group, Stitch & Share</i>
	<i>Men:</i>	<i>Men to Action!</i>
	<i>Adult Small Groups:</i>	<i>List available from the Bethel Office</i>
	<i>Hospitality:</i>	<i>Carolyn Koppendrayer & Rae Ann Koppendrayer</i>



OUR COUNCIL

<u>ELDERS</u>	<i>Rob Braun</i>	<i>Joel De Haan</i>	<i>Wes Geurkink</i>
	<i>Tom Kittok</i>	<i>El La Grew</i>	<i>Betsy Wergin</i>
<u>DEACONS</u>	<i>Geoff Bazuin</i>	<i>Lance Erickson</i>	<i>Garry Gray</i>
	<i>Jeff Rice</i>	<i>Lynn Swanson</i>	<i>Brian Weldon</i>

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