“This is the day the Lord has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.”

Psalm 118:24

**Welcome to Bethel Christian Reformed Church on this Sunday, September 24, 2023.**

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| **Helping with Worship and Fellowship this morning**  **Ushers:** Rick Hoffman, Jacob Smith and Joab Homan  **PP/Audio:** Russ Smies & Mike Dull  **Library:** Nancy Smits  **Organist:** Betty Kemink  **Nursery Adult:** Josie VanderWerff & Sara Hoffman  **Nursery Helper:** Elsie Hoffman & Milan Smits  **WOW Leader:** Erica Mulder  **WOW Helper:** Addie Smits |

**Bethel Family**

**Chuck Adams will be leading our service this morning.** He will be preaching on Psalm 147 and how God is sovereign over the whole universe. And yet, in his sovereignty, he is good and gracious to his people.

**Our 2nd offering this morning is for** Central Wisconsin Christian School.

**We would like to thank everyone for the nice farewell** luncheon this past Sunday. It was greatly appreciated! Ryan and Argene Hull

**Cake and coffee will be served after church** today as we say farewell to the Poppen family.

**Pastor Kurt will be examined by Classis Wisconsin during their September 26th meeting**. If you would like to attend the meeting it will be at MarshView Ministries in Horicon. You are welcome to arrive by 12:30 pm (after lunch) as the examination will begin at 12:45 pm.

**We invite everyone to fill out a name tag** for the next couple weeks/months as Pastor Kurt and Jenna learn everyone’s names. Name tags will be available on the counter by the kitchen every Sunday.

**We are missing a key to the church office.** It is a single golden key on a large ring. If you have it please return it to the office.

**Elder Districts**

**District #1** Russ Smies & Cal Greenfield– *A- DeVries*

**District #2** Curt Visser & Derek Minnema– *DeYoung-Kastein*

**District #3** Loren Smith & Mark Buwalda— *Kemink- Posthuma*

**District #4** Kyle Heuver & Rick Hoffman— *Rens-Z*

**Bethel Activities & Events**

**Join us for another Mom’s morning out** at the marsh on Tuesday, October 3 at 9:30 a.m. We will meet at the Horicon Marsh Visitor Center (across the marsh on Z) where there is a fun children’s trail to walk.

**Coffee Break meets every Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.** All are welcome to join us as we continue our study on Exodus.

**Save the date for the annual road rally, Friday, October 13th.** Start thinking of your team of 4–more details to come!

**Join us TONIGHT at 6:00 p.m. for Sunday evening Bible study and fellowship!** We have finished up “What is Reformed Theology?” and will be listening to a recorded sermon from Pastor David of Faith CRC tonight before starting a new study.

**Community Activities & Events**

**We are looking for volunteers to help with our efforts. Pie making times are Wednesday, October 18 from noon to 8pm and Thursday from 8am to 8pm.** No need to sign-up. Simply show up and we will put you to work. If you have any questions, call the RCS office at 920-326-3320 or Paula Van Buren at 920-210-4853. Can’t make it on the pie making days. No problem! Join us at RCS on October 3rd at 8:30 AM where we are having a combination coffee, donuts, and apple pie prep time. Anyone is welcome to this event as we assemble and label boxes. Anytime you can give is appreciated!

**It’s apple pie time! Randolph Christian school is once again kicking off Fall with our annual Apple Pie fundraiser.** Our Apple pies are made with fresh Wisconsin apples, sweetened with sugar and cinnamon, and topped with our homemade butter crumb topping. Pies are $14 each and will be made October 18-19. If you would like to place an order you may contact any RCS family (they deliver!) or call the school office at 920-326-3320. Thank you for your support!

**ONE Waupun Connections Breakfast** will be taking place on Saturday, October 21. All men are invited to join us for breakfast and a short video sermon.

**Youth for Christ is having their 11th annual Comedy Cafe** on October 2 (Fond du Lac) and October 3 (Waupun) from 6:30-8:45 p.m. Sign Up Today

*Offering & Attendance from Sunday, September 17, 2023*

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| Attendance | General Fund | 2nd Offering  (Growing Hope Globally) | YTD Given | YTD Budget |
| 305 | $15,183 | $535 | $75,002 | $88,553 |

**Upcoming Offering Schedule-**

October 1- Abide Project

October 8- Benevolent Fund

October 15- Crop Hunger Walk

October 22-Education Ministries

October 29- Bible League International

**September 24, 2023**



Prelude

**We Gather in God’s House**

\*Opening Song- “O Worship the King”

\*Call to Worship

\*God’s Greeting/Mutual Greeting

**To Praise His Holy Name**

\*Song-“Goodness of God”

\*Song- “Ancient Words”

**We Worship Through Prayer and Giving**

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Offerings:

1) General Fund

2) CWC

We Hear God’s Word Proclaimed

\*Song of Preparation- PH# 246 v. 1, 2, 4 “Come, Thou Almighty King”

(Children ages 3-5 are dismissed for Walk Out Worship)

Scripture: **Psalm 147 and Acts 14:8-17**

Sermon: **Sovereign, Good, Gracious**

Prayer

**We Depart to Serve in God’s Kingdom**

\*Song of Application- PH# 182 “Give Thanks to God, for Good Is He”

\*God’s Blessing

\*Song of Sending- PH# 146 v. 1, 4 “Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah!”

(1st - 5th grade students are dismissed for SS Singing)

Postlude

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| **Next Week’s Service, Sunday, October 1, 2023**  Visiting Pastor: Gregg Zonnefeld  Offering: Abide Project  Ushers: Kyle Heuver, Dave Kartechner & Dan Buwalda  PP/Audio: Russ Smies & Mike Dull  Library: Pat Bresser  Organist: Sandy Alsum  Nursery Adult: Brynn Bille & Carey Alsum  Nursery Helper: Haddie Buteyn & Becca Kartechner  WOW Leader: Tessa Oosterhouse  WOW Helper: Ella & Drew Oosterhouse |