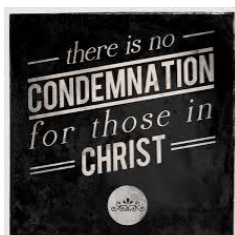


Welcome to Bethel Church



Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.
Romans 8:1,2

The Lord's Day
January 4, 2015 @ 10:30 am

Prelude – Colleen Rempel

Welcome – Don Toews

Adoration & Praise – Henry Peters

Prayer Ministry & Offering – Lyndon Giesbrecht

Offertory – Emily Peters

Children's Church Prayer & Dismissal

Scripture & Prayer – Pete Wiebe - Matthew 5:17-20

Messenger – Pastor Randy
The Old Testament, Jesus and Us

Our Response in Song

Prayer & Benediction

There will be a short business meeting regarding the proposed Education Wing following the service today. Everyone is invited to stay.

THIS WEEK AT BETHEL

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| MON | 7:00 pm | SR Youth - Bible study |
| TUES | 6:30 am | Men's Prayer Breakfast |
| | 7:00 pm | Ministerial Mtg |
| | 7:30 pm | Women's Evening Bible Study |
| WED | 7:00 pm | JR Youth - Bible study by Jody Thiessen |
| | 7:30 pm | Awana |
| THUR | 7:00 am | Men's Breakfast & Devotional @ Country Kitchen |
| | 9:30 am | Women's Morning Bible Study |
| | 7:30 pm | Pete & Judy's Care Group @ Ben & Dora Neufeld's |
| FRI | 7:30 pm | College & Career Bible study @ Devin's (70 Parkland Place) |
| SUN | 9:15 am | Sunday School |
| | 10:30 am | Worship Service/The Lord's Supper (The Lord's Supper at Bethel is not restricted to Bethel church members. All disciples of Jesus Christ are encouraged to prayerfully prepare and participate) |

January 6th is a day honoured by many Christians as **Epiphany** – a time to remember the arrival of the Magi to visit the King who had been born in Bethlehem. The Magi were Gentiles and their arrival signalled the fact that Jesus was born for all people in the world and not just a chosen nation. The response of the wise men when they saw the Child was that they worshipped and gave gifts of honour. Bethel does not have a special service on this day but we do encourage you to take time for personal prayer and worship as we consider the importance of God's gift of salvation for our lives today.



PRAISE & PRAYER

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints."
Ephesians 6:18

Our Government Leaders

– serving in municipal, provincial and federal government
(1 Tim. 2:1-2)



Congratulations to Garrett & Adria Dyck on the birth of a baby boy, **Carter Jack** on December 26th, weighing 7lbs and 10oz!

Congratulations to...



Chad Unrau & Carolyn Rempel, Russ Peters & Krysten Martens and Nick Reimer & Carrie Letkeman! May God bless you as you prepare for your life together.

We believe **Baptism** as a disciple of Jesus Christ is an important public declaration, commanded by Jesus and practiced in His church. If you have trusted Christ as your Saviour and would like to know more about Baptism please speak to Pastor Randy. **Membership** is the practice of identity with a local church – acknowledging our support for the beliefs, values and goals of the congregation. If you would like more information about membership at Bethel please speak to the pastors.



Deacon Nominations: At Bethel we encourage prayerful participation in considering who would serve as Deacons. They are part of the Ministerial of the church - working with the pastors to provide spiritual care for the church family. The term as Deacon for Steve Klassen will be complete in February. Male members of our church body are eligible for nomination. Your prayerful consideration of nominees is valued. Nomination forms are available by the mailboxes. All nomination forms must be signed. They can be turned in to Abe Wieler – Congregational Chair, Kenton Doerksen – Ministerial Chair, or left in the basket marked "Nominations" in the office. Nominations will be accepted through Sunday, January 11, 2015.

BETHEL'S UPCOMING EVENTS/NOTES

Jan 11 Bethel's Curling Day from 2-5pm. Sign-up in the foyer today!

Jan 20 All ladies are invited to a **baby shower** for **Carter Jack** (Garrett & Adria Dyck) @ 7:30 pm. A card will be available for monetary gifts. A card will also be available for **Kimberly Irwin**, bride elect of Allan Peters.

Getting to know you...

We are grateful for the many households we have opportunity to serve and serve with in our church family. If you have begun to attend at Bethel more recently the pastors of the church would like an opportunity to meet you (and your household) personally and share information with you about the goals and principles that guide the ministry at Bethel. A lunch is being planned for **Jan 25** after the morning service. A sign-up sheet will be available in the foyer.



Feb 8 Bethel's 50th B-day. Details to follow.

Feb 16 Bethel's Annual Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Celebrating **50** Years of Ministry: **2015 is Bethel's 50th anniversary**, with services starting in February of 1965. We will be putting a video/slide show together as part of a time of reflection on Bethel's foundational years this February. If you have any pictures, audio, slides, video, bulletins, or any other documents from the last 50 years that are "Bethel" to you, please share them with us! Contact Kenton Doerksen at (204)332-1476 or email kenton@gtp.ca and we will make sure to get them in.

Nominating Committee:

Pray for the Lord's guidance for the Nominating Committee as they prayerfully consider the Bethel Annual Meeting elections. In what way can you contribute to the work God has us to share in as a church family? The committee will be contacting individuals in the coming weeks. This year's committee is Bill Klassen, Paul Spent, Ryan Fehr, and John Schmidt (chairman).

The Old Testament, Jesus and Us - Matthew 5:17-20

1. What did Jesus say about the Old Testament? Vs 17-20

- A Contrast of the Old and New Testaments

2. Three types of teaching in the Old Testament.

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3. Heart Service, Not Lip Service. Vs 19,20

Exalt Christ
Equip For Service
Edify One Another
Evangelize the Lost
Extend Christ's Love

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Children's Church Coordinator – Cheri Klassen (332.1430)

A Contrast of the Old and New Testaments

"The New Testament is *contained* in the Old Testament. The Old Testament is *explained* in the New Testament.

The New Testament is *concealed* in the Old Testament. The Old Testament is *revealed* in the New Testament.

The Old Testament *anticipates* the New Testament. The New Testament *authenticates* the Old Testament.

In the Old Testament the New Testament *lies hidden*. In the New Testament the Old Testament *lies open*.

The Old Testament *foreshadows* the New Testament. The New Testament *fulfills* the Old Testament.

In the Old Testament they were always *seeking*. In the New Testament they *found*.

The Old Testament *predicts* a Person. The New Testament *presents* that Person.

And that Person is the Lord Jesus Christ – who fully validated the Old Testament.

The Pentateuch (the first five books of the Bible) presents the Figures of Christ.

The Psalms *present* the Feelings of Christ. The Prophets *present* the Foretellings of Christ.

The Gospels *present* the Facts of Christ. The Epistles *present* the Fruits of Christ."

– Attributed to Roy Gustafson by Franklin Graham. The Name. Thomas Nelson Publishers, 2002: page 71,72.