

# Welcome to Bethel Church



God is spirit, and his worshippers must worship  
in the Spirit and in truth.  
John 4:24

**The Lord's Day**  
May 22, 2016

Prelude – Mark Wiebe

Welcome – Pastor Ryan

Adoration & Praise – Henry Peters

Prayer Ministry – Abe Giesbrecht

Offertory – Mark Wiebe

Children's Church Prayer & Dismissal  
(for ages 1 year-Gr. 1)

Scripture & Prayer – Abe Wieler - John 4:19-26

Messenger – Pastor Randy  
The Nature of God - God is spirit

Our Response in Song

Prayer & Benediction

## THIS WEEK AT BETHEL

<b>MON</b>	7:00 pm	SR Youth – No youth
<b>TUES</b>	6:30 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast
<b>WED</b>	2:00 pm	Randy & Cindy's Care Group @ Sarah Buhler's - We will be studying Mary, the mother of Jesus
	7:00 pm	JR Youth – Bible Study
<b>FRI</b>	7:30 pm	Thrive! - Bible study by Pastor Mark Faith: what role does it really play in your life?
<b>SUN</b>	9:15 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service – Youth Sunday

## 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

**Pray for Jake Wall and family** who are conducting the service at Eden/Salem this morning.

Bethel has a policy to encourage our pastors to take a two-month sabbatical time after each four years of service. Pastor Mark has served the church since 2011. With advance notice with Church Council and Ministerial, Pastor Mark will be off duty from June 1 through July 31 for rest and renewal. For pastoral care during this time please contact Pastor Randy Smart, Pastor Ryan Martin, Gerald Thiessen (our Lay Minister) or your Care Group leader. Pray that Pastor Mark and Irma can benefit from this time to step back from the day-to-day requirements of the task.

## Congratulations to



**Michael Neufeld & Kristen Klassen**  
on their engagement!  
A November wedding is being planned.

## BETHEL'S UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 29**



**Fundraiser BBQ lunch** provided by Spenst Meats and Winkler Co-op at the Winkler Park from 12am-3pm. Funds will help to purchase a van with a wheelchair lift for Elmer & Ruth Toews.

**May 31**

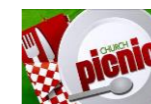


All ladies are invited to a **triple bridal shower** for **Jen Hildebrand** (Ryan Wiebe), **Patty Wiebe** (Abdiel Acim) and **Theresa Hofmann** (Chris Giesbrecht) @ 7:30 pm. A card will be available for monetary gifts.



**June 17-19**

**Church Camping** @ Cavalier, ND.



**June 26**

**Church Picnic** @ Stanley Park

**Aug 15-19**



**Vacation Bible School (VBS)** August 15-19 in the evenings for children entering K-Grade 6 in fall. Our theme this year is Egypt: Joseph's journey from prison to palace. We are accepting volunteers of all ages from those entering Grade 7 in fall and older. Please consider your role in this wonderful outreach ministry and sign up in the foyer today! You can also pre-register your child by filling out the registration forms available on the table.

The bi-weekly Thursday morning **Men's Ministry breakfasts** that were held at Country Kitchen will be taking a break for summer. We look forward to continuing this ministry in fall!



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### May 24

The **Winkler Senior Centre** and **Homeschool Harmony** choirs present their spring concert at 7 pm at the Emmanuel Mennonite Church. Come and celebrate spring with us as we present sacred songs, familiar tunes from musicals, and selections from around the world. A freewill offering will be taken.

### May 27

**Gateway Resources Open House and Bake Sale** from 1-4 pm.

### May 27

**BTHC Auxiliary Bake Sale** at Southland Mall at 9:00 am until sold out. Baked contributions are welcome. No soups, cream pies or meringue please.

### May 30

Come out and join the fun as we celebrate **Cafe 545's second anniversary** with a delicious BBQ on Monday, May 30th.

### June 3-5

**Winkler Bible Camp's 55+ Retreat** – Speaker: Bill Janzen (lead pastor at Osler Mission Chapel). For more info or to register, call the camp at 325.9519 or visit [www.winklerbiblecamp.com](http://www.winklerbiblecamp.com).

### June 5

**Family Day at Winkler Bible Camp** – Free activities from 2-5pm, free BBQ supper @ 5:30pm. No registration required.

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

## The Nature of God – *God is spirit*

### 1. God is spirit.

John 4:24. Psalm 139:7-12. Acts 7:48 -50.  
Acts 17:24,25.

### 2. A Practical Question

If God is a spirit in nature and not defined by a physical body, what does it mean when it says in the Bible that we are made in the image of God?

Genesis 1:26, 27. John 4:21-23

### 3. God's Spirit, our spirit and worship today.

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