

Sermon Notes

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Be
glad
in the LORD,
and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright
in heart!

Psalm 32:11

Welcome

Bethel Bergthaler Mennonite Church

Our Mission

The purpose of Bethel Church is to make and develop disciples for Jesus Christ, locally and around the world.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome & Announcements: *Tom Friesen*

Advent Candle Lighting

Worship in song: *Riley Peters*

Prayer Ministry: *Gerald Thiessen*

Children's feature: *Eli Klassen*

Scripture Reading: **Luke 1:67-79** *Mark Toews*

Sermon: **Advent: Joy** *Pastor Mike*

Closing Song: *Riley Peters*

Benediction

December 17, 2023



This week at Bethel

Monday	7:00pm	Sr. Youth Small Group Night
Tuesday	7:00pm	Jr. Youth Small Group Night
Wednesday	6:30am	Men's Bible Study
Saturday	9:00am	Sunday School Rehearsal
Sunday	9:15am	Sunday School
Sunday	10:30am	Christmas Program

Coming up at Bethel

Please note there will be no Children's Church December 24, 25 & 31 & there will be no Sunday School December 25 & 31

Sunday School Christmas Program Our Christmas Program is on Sunday, December 24 during the church service at 10:30am.

Christmas Program Prelude We would like to invite any Grade 1-12 students who play an instrument to participate in the prelude music for the Sunday School Christmas program on Sunday, Dec 24. If you are interested, please email Nanci Toews (entoews6@gmail.com). There will be a practice on Saturday, Dec 23 from 11:15-12:30.

Bethel Car Pool If you would like to have a ride to church this winter, there is a sign-up sheet in the back by the mailboxes. Or you could also be involved in picking up and driving some folks to and from church, there is a sign-up sheet for you as well. The plan is to have this start for the January 7th service.



Please see the bulletin board in the foyer for all other community announcements



- **December 24:** Christmas Program
- **January 21:** Youth Fundraiser Lunch
- **February 3:** Valentine's Day Banquet

Offering

Envelopes are located in the foyer by the middle doors on the table with the offering box. We also accept e-transfer, donations@ourbethelchurch.com. Be sure to leave your name in the memo and designate what it is for.

Prayer

Members of our community who are impacted by illness and grief:

- Peter (Linda Elias)
- Mary Enns
- Amanda Thiessen (Smart)
- Mayah Giesbrecht
- Kelly Robertson
- Karen Klassen



Missionary of the Month Elijah & Grace Muinde

I am thankful, I have five churches which I am overseeing, three of them can pay their Pastors in a small way. The remaining two are just surviving to make ends meet. I do share what I get. They are separated from each other. The Pastors started the churches from scratch. Pray for them because they have children in school and are paying school fees. We believe that the good Lord will supply their needs not wants. He is a merciful God and knows their needs. That is the reason why He told His disciples not to carry purses. My family is doing well and are in good health. That is something to thank the Lord for. Thank you & bless you Bethel.