



So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child.
Luke 2:4,5

Welcome to Bethel Church

December 15, 2019

Prelude – Rita Letkeman

Welcome – Pastor Ryan

Lighting the Candle of Joy

Adoration & Praise

Prayer Ministry – Gerald Thiessen

Offertory – Rachel Hesom

Children's Feature

Scripture & Prayer – Pete Wiebe - Matthew 1:18-25

Messenger – Pastor Randy - The 'Silent' Witness of Joseph

Our Response in Song

Prayer & Benediction

What's up this Week

MON	6:00 pm	Senior Youth Christmas Banquet
TUES	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast @ Country Kitchen
	9:30 am	Mom's Morning Christmas get-together
	7:00 pm	Junior Youth Christmas Party
	7:00 pm	Church Council Mtg
WED	7:30 pm	Thrive – Christmas Games Night
THUR	6:30 pm	Don & Nancy's Care Group Christmas Potluck Supper @ Don & Grace Toews'
SAT	9:00 am	Sunday School Program Practice
SUN	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Sunday School Program

What's Coming Up



DECEMBER 25

Bethel's Christmas Day service @ 10:30 am

JANUARY 1

New Year's Day Breakfast will be served from 9-10 am in the Youth Room, followed by a time of sharing and a short meditation by Joel Dehart. Come join us as we give God praise for what He has done and trusting Him for the coming year! Everyone is welcome!

JANUARY 18 - Save the Date! Women's Brunch

DECEMBER 21

Sunday School Program practice @ 9:00am. Lunch will be served. Children participating in the prelude will practice their songs after lunch.

DECEMBER 22

Sunday School Christmas Program @ 10:30am. On the 22nd the Sunday school will be taking a collection for the Winkler & District Food Cupboard. A donation bin for cash donations will be available as well.

DECEMBER 29

There will be **no** Sunday School





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 Dustin Letkeman (chair), Gerald Letkeman, Brian Falk, Brian Hiebert and Lyndon Giesbrecht. Positions available: Council Treasurer, Council Secretary, Women's Ministry (2), Education, Missions (2), Service, Finance (2), and Social Committee (2)

Praise & Prayer Highlights

Missionaries of the Month:

Len & Shelley Hyatt – Awana Missionaries



Prayer Points:

* *We can get more clubs in our own area.*

Praise:

* *That many were out to our conferences.*

Thank you for your prayer support and financial support. We could not do the ministry God has called us to without you.

Remember to pray for ...

... **Frank** (Mary) Enns

... **Mark and Kathy Nelson** (Alabama)

... **Rick Wieler** (Minnesota)



We would like to thank our church family for all the prayers and support that you have been to us these last six months as we walked beside our father and grandpa, Ray Giesbrecht, with his journey with AML (Acute Myloid Leukemia) and his passing earlier this month.

- Steve, Melissa, Brooklyn, Taylor & Brielle

Together with the **Missions Committee**, a **Mexico mission's trip** is being planned for March 27 - April 5. It will take place in the SAN Carlos Sonora area. We are working together with Brenda Koenes of the Casa Esperanza ministry. It will include children's ministry, handing out food hampers, clothing, projects, and encouraging those who are involved in ministries we are connected to. It is open to people of all ages including families. The cost is \$900/ person. We will be doing some fundraising etc. to cover additional costs. If you are interested please contact Gerald Thiessen @ 204-362-6377. The deadline for applications is January 15, 2020.

Please have all donations to be receipted for 2019 in by, **December 31st**.



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. Male members of our church body are eligible for nomination. Your prayerful consideration of nominees is valued. Although no terms are expiring this year, we welcome nominations to fill a spot that currently remains unfilled. Nomination forms are by the mailboxes. All nomination forms must be signed and turned in to Evan Toews (Congregational Chair) or Kenton Doerksen (Ministerial Chair).

The 'Silent' Witness of Joseph

1. A silent witness to the character of a righteous man.
2. A silent witness to the willingness to trust God in unusual and unexpected circumstances.
3. A silent witness who accepted the role of step-father to the Son of God.
4. How does Joseph's example challenge us?

Our Mission

Exalt Christ - Equip for Service
Edify one Another - Evangelize the Lost
Extend Christ's Love

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