

Community Announcement

Community Parent Equipping night Friday Mar. 14th 7-9pm the Winkler Area Youth Leaders are hosting Sid Koop at GMC Winkler, who will be equipping parents to **Parent in a Christ honoring way in a Digital World**. This event is open to all and is free to attend!

Finally, be
strong in the
Lord and in his
mighty power.

EPHESIANS 6:10

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.

BETHEL BERGTHALER MENNONITE CHURCH

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome & Announcements: *Wes Neufeld*

Worship in song

Prayer Ministry: *Eli Klassen*

Children's Feature: *Carly Krahn*

Scripture reading: **Acts 7:51-60** *Dustin Letkeman*

Sermon: **Taking a stand** Pastor Mark

Closing Song

Benediction

February 23, 2025

Stay in the know



This week at Bethel

Monday	9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Bible Study Fellowship
Monday	7:00 pm	Sr. Youth (Bible Study)
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Jr. Youth (Bible Study)
Tuesday	7:30 pm	Men's Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30 am	Men's Bible Study
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Awana
Friday	7:30 pm	Young Adults (Service Night)

Considering our growing congregation, Church Council along with Ministerial struck committees to look at our physical and personnel needs moving forward. Both committees studied many different options and spoke directly with people involved in ministry at Bethel. At the AGM we will discuss the possibility of changing our foyer wall to more easily accommodate overflow. Also, we will discuss the potential hiring of a Children's Ministry Pastor.

In addition, two Constitutional changes will also be proposed: Service Committee Article VII, Sec. III, 2.03ii, "recruiting, training and assigning of ushers for all services at Bethel." Moving to: Duties of Ministerial, Article VII, Sec. I, 4 (note: This change better reflects who supports the ushers at Bethel)

Chairman of Congregation Article VI, Sec. III, add "He shall be elected by the membership for a term of two years and may remain in office for two consecutive terms." (note: This term limit is not new, but was inadvertently omitted during our latest revision)

Coming up at Bethel

Interested in transferring membership or knowing more about our church's beliefs and practices? Come join us for a free informational lunch right after the morning worship service today in the Youth Room from 12:00-1:45.

Considering baptism or wanting a refresher on the basics of our faith? Join us for discipleship classes during the SS hour. Contact Pastor Mark if you are interested.

Wanna invest in your marriage? Join us as pastor Mark and Irma facilitate a 1-day marriage conference here at church on Saturday, March 8 from 9:00am-4:00pm. We will be using a video series by Family life Canada entitled "Together for Good". The cost is only \$20 per couple with snacks and lunch is provided. Sign up on the sheet by the mailboxes.

Women's Ministry is hosting a Blitz and Pie night on Friday March 21st at 7:30pm in the church gym. Come join us for a fun night of games (bring your favorites!) and meet some new people.



Save the Date



March 21: Blitz & Pie Women's Game Night

March 8: Marriage Seminar

March 14: Community Parent Equipping Night

March 18: Annual General Meeting 6:30 pm

Prayer

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

Sheila Leatherdale

Amanda Thiessen (Smart)

Missionary of the Month

Amanda Wiebe

Praise: The Lord provided for the school to buy a 20 passenger bus, so we can now pick up more students! In December we moved into our first permanent building! A local youth group came and built 4 classrooms into a shop and the kids are so excited to have their own classrooms! The people in the mountains look forward to our monthly visit and more are coming to exchange arts and crafts for dry foods / goods, which means more people hear the gospel as we always share a Biblical message before opening the "store". Praise God for our amazing directors, Nathan and Rose Friesen, who are working incredibly hard to organize and establish the ministry! **Prayer:** Pray for our teacher, Carolina, as she lost her grandmother recently. This is the second family member she has lost in the past 5 months and it has been quite hard on her. Pray for the new students, for a smooth adjustment and wisdom for the teachers. Pray for wisdom with a few students who need special help due to learning disabilities / behavior problems. We are seeking the best way to help them, but due to limited staff and resources, we have not yet been as successful as we wish to be. Pray for the future of Oaks of Righteousness, that God will continue to provide the teachers, training, finances and students to continue reaching the Tarahumara community.