

## **Consistory Positions & Committees 2019**

President	Pastor Matthew Miller
Vice President	Lee Hagemeyer
Clerk	Jerry Schwitters
Chairman of the Deacons	Justin Dirksen
General Fund Treasurer	Nathan Hebrink
Mission Fund Treasurer	Keith Loe
Building Fund Treasurer	Scott Tomes
Memorial Fund Treasurer	Justin Dirksen
Cemetery Fund Treasurer	Aaron Pauling

### **Worship Committee**

\*Lee Hagemeyer  
Justin Dirksen  
Chip Goeman  
Pam Knapper

### **Leadership Committee**

\*Terry Epema  
Lee Hagemeyer  
Dan Wrede  
Justin Dirksen  
Pastor Matt Miller

### **Education & Youth Committee**

\*Nathan Hebrink  
Aaron Pauling  
Mark Hilbrands  
Todd Henker

### **Mission/Outreach Committee**

\*Marlin Ammermann  
Keith Loe  
Bruce Hinrichs  
Keith Klinghagen

### **Fellowship/Congregational Care**

\*Jerry Schwitters  
Travis Wubben  
Dan Niemeyer

### **Property Committee**

\*Troy Sweep  
Scott Tomes  
Chuck Ammermann

# BETHANY REFORMED CHURCH | October 20

“Who is this who even forgives sins?”  
Luke 7:49 (NIV)

Prelude

\*Songs of Worship

Announcements

Children’s Sermon

Offertory Hymn #133 | Then Shall Live

Children’s Church – children ages 3 – kindergarten are invited

Scripture: Psalm 51

(p. 889 Blue Bible)

(p. 430 Brown Bible)

(p. 559 Kids Bible)

Sermon: “Word of the Week: Forgiven”

Offertory Hymn #368 Whiter Than Snow (vs. 1-3)  
(Third Sunday Offering for the Building Fund)

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song #368 Whiter Than Snow (v.4)

## **Bethany’s Mission Statement:**

To spread the word of Christ to our members and other people in surrounding communities and to globally further Christ’s Kingdom. We as members will live and teach Jesus to the congregation and community.

## **Sunday School Lesson Question ~ October 20**

Session 6: Job 1:6-12, 20-22; 9:14-16, 32-35 what are some of the most difficult circumstances we have faced as a family? How did we respond to those situations? Even though they didn’t always give the best advice, Job’s friends surrounded him in his time of need. Who are the people we can trust to pray and walk us through the tough times? Who might we need to support and come along side of as a family?

Dear Bethany Family & Friends,

Our family would like to extend to you an invitation to be a part of our adoption story. We are so excited to welcome another precious child into our home. With that anticipation comes the reality of our expected adoption costs. We are seeing cases for domestic infant adoptions range from \$42,000 - \$63,000. In efforts to lessen the financial burden, we have created T-shirt campaigns through Bonfire.com & if you do not wish to purchase apparel, we humbly welcome donations. The profits will go directly towards the remainder of the costs as we wait to be matched with birth family & baby. We could not fulfill this calling without your help, so from the bottom of our hearts... THANK YOU for choosing to be a part of OUR VILLAGE. We hope you know the impact you are making, not only financially, but spiritually, as TOGETHER we live out the mission of James 1:27 – “Here are the kinds of beliefs that God our Father accepts as pure & without fault. When widows & children who have no parents are in trouble, take care of them.” Your generosity, through prayers or financially, is welcomed & appreciated equally.

With Love & Gratitude~ Brian, Whitney & Miles Nelson

<https://www.bonfire.com/nelson-family-adoption-fundraiser-village/>

<https://www.bonfire.com/nelson-family-adoption-fundraiser-faith/>

## **PEANUT BUTTER – Spread the Love**

The MAC-PAC program provides weekend food for hungry MACCRAY students. Entrees are the most expensive component so we are running a campaign to collect needed items: microwavable Mac N Cheese in a cup, chicken noodle, alphabet, or chicken & stars soup (10.5 oz), beef ravioli, Spaghetti-Os (15oz apx.), and peanut butter (16 oz). Standard size works best because of limited backpack room. Thanks for your generosity. Amidst our own abundance, it hurts to know there are hungry children in our community. You can make a difference. **Next Sunday concludes the campaign. Thank you!**

The Raymond United Methodist Church is holding their Fall Bazaar on Saturday, November 2 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. There will be a bake sale with Lefse, Cookie Corner, produce and crafts. Also serving hot ham or turkey sandwiches, chili, beef stew, broccoli soup, dessert and beverage. We’d love to see you there!

The Ministerial Association is planning our annual food drive for thanksgiving baskets to people in need locally. We are requesting the following items that would make up traditional Thanksgiving dinner like: stuffing, potatoes, canned vegetables, canned cranberries, evaporated milk, & Jell-O packs. We have already been given enough canned pumpkin, gravy, and sweet potatoes for the baskets that we are planning on filling this year, so we do not need those items. There is a box placed at your church which is marked “Thanksgiving Baskets” that you can place your donated items in and they will be distributed to people in our immediate area. Thank you.



# YOUTH NEWS

If you have not been approached by one of the High school students yet about purchasing a discount card, cards are available throughout the week in Todd's office, at Sweep Hardware, and Cenex of Clara City. They are \$20 each and will help offset some Rocky cost for this coming summer.

## MUSIC NOTES



**Next Week's Praise Team:** *Men & Boys' Team*

**Rehearsal:** *Wednesday at 6:20 pm*

Sunday evening, October 27th, will be the annual Reformation Day service at 6:00 PM here at Bethany Reformed Church. Back by popular demand is the "Mass Choir." You are welcome to come and join us in this. We are rehearsing this Wednesday, October 23rd, at 7:00 and then on Sunday prior to the 6:00 service.

**II Corinthians 12:9**

**"My grace is sufficient for you,  
for my power is made perfect in weakness."**

**Assisting Today:**

**GUEST GREETERS:**

Randy & Cathy Janssen

Terry & Renae Epema

**AFTER:**

Travis Wubben

Bruce Hinrichs

**LIBRARY:** Audrey Koenen

**NURSERY:** JoHannah Klinghagen

Ella Bourne

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:**

Kim Sandry

Abbigail Slagter

**SONG LEADERS:**

Women's Team

**ORGANIST:** Vicky Hinrichs

**PIANIST:**

**SOUND:** Lee Hagemeyer

**PROJECTOR:** Ben Schoep

**BUS:** Wade Buss

**Next Week:**

Jeff & Kathy Davids

Aaron & Shannon Ahrenholz

Mark Hilbrands

Chuck Ammermann

Gloria Hilbrands

Stefanie Epema

Hudson Nord

Kari Johnson

Kamryn Butler

Men/Boys' Team

Pam Knapper

Jerry Schwitters

Renae Epema

Lyle Koenen

### OCTOBER

**Video:** Steve Andresen

**Ushers:** \*Loren Stomberg Al Boonstra

Byron Hinrichs Nate Hebrink (alternate)

**Coffee Servers:** Al & Tracy Boonstra

Scott & Julie Abbas



**TODAY:** 9:30 am Morning Worship  
 10:45 am Coffee & Fellowship/Sunday School

**THIS WEEK:**

Monday	1:00 – 5:00 pm	Mission Quilters (Basement)
	7:00 pm	Deacon's Meeting
	7:00 pm	Elder's Meeting
	8:20 pm	Consistory Meeting
Tuesday	5:00 am	Open Gym (Walking)
	8:15 am	Women's Prayer Time (Family Room)
	9:30 am	Prayer Shawl Meeting (Family Room)
Wednesday	5:00 am	Open Gym (Walking)
	6:00 pm	Wednesday Night Meals (Basement)/Open Gym
	7:00 pm	Catechism Classes/Mentor Night
	7:00 pm	Jr High Youth
	7:00 pm	Choir (Chapel)
	8:00 pm	Sr High Youth
Thursday	5:00 am	Open Gym (Walking)
	1:00 pm	Amazing Collection Bible Study (Library)

**ELDER VISITATION:**

Hospital: Bruce Hinrichs Care Center: Dan Wrede

**PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE:** Tim Beseman continues rehab after hip replacement. Pat Seeman continues to receive treatment for abdominal pain. Roger Feldman's son Jim passed away last week from cancer. Harvest and safety for all. Jan Petersen is at Bethany Rehab & Therapy in Alexandria. Continued Prayers: Darlene Andresen, Herman Brouwer, Bruce Hinrichs, Ruth Johnson, Lori Petersen, and David Poppen. Deanna Meints is on chemotherapy. Remember those in the military. Christians in China. James & Beth Harrison our partner in peacebuilding in Bahrain.

*Our sympathy to the family of Dorothy Andresen. Dorothy passed away Monday evening, October 14. Her funeral service was Friday at Bethany.*

Bethany Prayer Shawl Ministry will have a meeting on Tuesday, October 22 at 9:30 a.m. in the Family Room at Bethany. Please bring any shawls that you have completed. Anyone interested is welcome to join in to participate in knitting or crocheting for a good cause.

We will be having a quick RCW Executive meeting TODAY in front of the sanctuary after worship.

**Annual Reformation Service** – First Christian Reformed Church of Prinsburg welcomes you to this year's Reformation Day Service on Sunday, October 27 at 6:00 p.m. at Bethany Reformed Church in Clara City. Rev. Tim Berends will be giving the message and an offering for Hope Pregnancy Center will be collected. Nursery will be provided and coffee & treats will be served following the worship service. There is also an opportunity for you to join our mass choir. There will be two rehearsals held at Bethany Church for the mass choir members: Wednesday, October 23, at 7:00 p.m. & Sunday, Oct. 27, prior to the service at 5:15 p.m.

Office Hours: 10 am – 4 pm Monday – Thursday  
 Website: bethanychurch-mn.org

<b>NEW BUILDING PROJECT</b>	
\$\$ raised as of 8-31-2019:	\$ 788,140.43
September Income:	\$ 622.50
\$\$ raised as of 9-30-2019:	\$ 788,762.93
Loan balance as of 9-30-2019:	\$ 290,519.39

If you would like a visit call Pastor Matt at 612-719-3272 or the church office 847-3322.

*Sunday School Offering last week: \$16.75*  
**Wednesday Night Meal will be served from 6:00 to 6:45 pm.**  
**October 23<sup>rd</sup>:** MENU – HOT DOGS  
 GYM HELPER – Clint VanDeRiet  
*Wednesday Nights. We are still looking for volunteers to help with the Wednesday evening meals, please sign up on the sheets by the office or contact Cindy Plowman at 320-905-5426 with any questions. Thank you!!*

**Reminder:** We are doing an offering challenge - the class with the most offering at the end of the month will win a prize.

Would you like to make a difference in the lives of our students? Join the team of MACPACers! Contact Pam for more information. Upcoming dates are November 5th & December 3rd.

**TEACHER / VOLUNTEER PAPERWORK!** If you serve for Sunday school, Wednesday nights, Small groups, Mentors, Children's church, etc... please stop by the church office and fill out the paperwork if you haven't done so already...thanks so much!!

**October is BRING YOUR SMARTPHONE TO CHURCH MONTH.** We will have the opportunity together to set up text-to-give on our smartphones! When you send 'BRC GIVE' to 77977 you will receive a one-time reply containing a link to give to [BETHANY REFORMED CHURCH](1msg/request). Please be aware that Msg & Data rates may apply. For full Terms & Conditions please visit <https://pushpay.com/terms>. For the Privacy Policy please visit <https://pushpay.com/privacy>. For help reply HELP or STOP to cancel.

**WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA.** Anyone interested in being a part of keeping Bethany's online presence up to date, please text Pastor Matt @ 612-719-3272

TODAY's third Sunday offering is for the building fund.

Bethany is doing a new pictorial directory with Lifetouch. Pictures will be taken on:

- Wednesday – Friday, November 13-15 from 2 pm – 9 pm
- Saturday, November 16 from 10 am – 5 pm
- Monday, November 18 from 2 pm – 9 pm

You can access the Lifetouch link on bethanychurch-mn.org to schedule your appointments. We will also have signups after church TODAY!!

*Thank you, Pastor Matt and all of our Bethany Church family, for prayers when Leonard had a carotid artery stint procedure. We are very thankful to God for blessing us.*

*Sincerely, Leonard & Lorraine Fokken*