



Welcome to
Bethel Lutheran
February 12, 2017

*“Surely He has borne our griefs and carried
our sorrows . . . He was wounded for our
transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities;
the chastisement for our peace was upon Him,
and by His stripes we are healed.”*

Isaiah 53:4-5

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Welcome to Bethel!

We're glad you have joined us today in worshipping our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We pray that you would hear from God today through the preaching, teaching, and music. We hope that you would experience God's love and presence today!

New to Bethel?

Please help us get to know you better. You can do this through filling out the welcome cards in the pews front of you and placing them in the offering basket. You can also go to our website bethelottawa.org under the CONTACT tab there is a form called NEW TO BETHEL. This form allows you to fill out our welcome card electronically. We are eager to get to know your story and how Bethel can minister to you and your family.

Nursery

We provide staffed nursery during Sunday School and the Worship Service for children under the age of three. It is located next to the women's rest room in the Fellowship Hall.

Children's Activity Bags

We offer bags designed for children under the age of ten to keep their mind engaged during the message. The bags offer various activities that correlate to this week's message. You can check them out at the door leading into the Sanctuary from the Fellowship Hall.

Serving Today

Greeters – Marlin & Patty Low
Sunday School Nursery – Kathy Holtzman
Worship Service Nursery – Patty Low
Ushers – Roger Allen & Marlin Low
Scripture & Prayer – Kaylor Brent

Serving Next Week

Greeters – Dan & Audra Pond
Sunday School Nursery – Linda K. Johnson
Worship Service Nursery – Martha Jacobs
Ushers – Roger Allen & Marlin Low
Scripture & Prayer – Marlin Low

Wi-Fi

Log on to *Bethel Guest*; the password is *Jesus651*.

Listening Devices



Listening devices are available for any-one who has trouble hearing the service. Ask for a receiver at the sound booth in the back of the church. If your hearing aid is equipped with a T-coil, ask for a neck loop.

Order of Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Confession of Sin & Declaration of Grace

Baptism of Everett Grey Stevens

Scripture & Prayer

Responding with Praise

Worship through Giving

Message

“Life’s Toughest Questions”

Closing Hymn

Rock of Ages – Hymnal # 332

Doxology

“Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

If you are in need of prayer, the Bethel Prayer Team will be available at the front of the sanctuary following Worship.

Opportunities This Week

Wednesday	1:00 PM	Adult Bible Study
	6:30 PM	Kids Klub & Tween Youth Group
	6:45 PM	Adult Bible Study and Fellowship Circle
Friday	5:30 PM	Refuge Youth – Small Groups
	7:00 PM	Refuge Youth Center
Saturday	8:30 AM	Ladies R&R
Next Sunday	9:07 AM	“Tell it Again” Radio Ministry - 1430 WCMY
	9:00 AM	Sunday School for all ages
	10:30 AM	Worship Service

Upcoming Events at Bethel

Valentine's Banquet Youth Fundraiser

Friday Feb. 17 from 6-8:00 PM. Dine in with program or carry out. Tickets can be purchased after worship in the fellowship hall: See bulletin board for more information.

Ladies R & R

Saturday Feb. 18. 8:30-10:30 AM. Join us for a new study on *The Armor of God* by Priscilla Shirer.

Community Events

Ottawa Prayer Center

A place for believers in Ottawa to unite in worship and intercession, will be open from 6-8:00 AM Mon.-Fri. in the Upper Room above Jeremiah Joes at 807 LaSalle St.

Cup of Cold Water Annual Banquet

5:30 PM Sat. Feb. 25 at Helmar Lutheran Church. See Sharon Alsvig to purchase tickets.

Clothing Drive

During March, bring gently used adult male clothing (pants, shirts, coats, etc.) to Bethel to be used for a clothing closet at Sheridan Correctional Center for offenders to wear when they are released.

Prayer Requests

Pray for those who need healing:

Emily Nash, Martha Jacobs, Shirley Sorenson and Delores Eltrevoog.

Pray for healing and daily strength for our shut-ins:

At home: Pearl Pastorik, Glen & Helen Marten, Norma Myre, and Darlene Walker. Ottawa Pavilion: Betty Brue, Betty Thrush, Arlene Nickle. LaSalle County Nursing Home: Ruth Stanford; Rivershores: Michael Myre; Heritage Health in Mendota: Jim Hagen.

Pray for our missionaries:

Chad, Africa: Szobody, Bronson, Stanton and Narvesen families. Japan: the Bengtson family. East Asia: the Christenson family. Taiwan: the Kittelson and Christofferson families.

Pray for our military:

David Pond.

Prayer Chain: 24 Hour: Marj Boe 433-0108 or 252-5759; Daytime: Mag Anderson 433-0981, or Ruth Stephens 433-1342. Texting: Lois Marsel 830-0436.

Bethel Lutheran is a member of the Church of the Lutheran Brethren

Senior Pastor: Timothy Johnson | Youth and Family Pastor: Nathaniel Nash

Elders: Wayne Alsvig, Thomas Thorson, Jim Thoms, Greg Jenkins, Larry Parisot & Kevin Alsvig

Trustees: Richard Thorson, Chris Holtzman, Kent Kain, Bob Gilich & Roger Allen

For more information on Bethel or the CLB go to bethelottawa.org or clba.org