

SERVING TODAY

Nursery: for infants - 3 years old
Susan Cowles, Jessica Roozeboom
Greeters: Nick & Julie Soma family
Bob Snyder, Tony Dorman
Worship Team: Audrey Haverdink, Susan Cowles,
Kent Whitmore, Connie Landhuis,
Ryan Smith
Power Point: Gabe Smith
Sound: Joey Reed

THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

Wednesday: 5:30 pm Supper - \$1.50 per person
6:15 pm GEMS & Cadets, Classes

NEXT SUNDAY

9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY

Nursery: Emily Hodson, Chris Snyder
Greeters: Zina Pearson
Brian Price, Melissa Smith
Worship Team: Audrey Haverdink, Darin Reed,
Anna Van Der Weide, Steve Landhuis,
Heather Wood
Power Point: Gabe Smith
Sound: Scott Van Der Weide



BETHANY REFORMED CHURCH

November 4, 2018
10:30 a.m.

Call to Worship

Glorifying God with Our Words

More Precious Than Silver

Prayer

Change My Heart, O God

The Lord is My Salvation

Prayer

Glorifying God with Our Tithes

Glorifying God with Our Attention

Scripture – Act 2:44-45 p.1694

Message – *In a Healthy Church,*

Generosity is Evident

Prayer in Response to God's Word

Celebrating Our God

Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated

#455 v.1,4,6

Benediction

Continuing to Worship as We Go

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

VISITORS...

Welcome! We are glad you are here with us today and hope you will return. We pray that you are blessed by our time of worship together. Please fill out one of the friendship cards found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

WELCOME...

to Pastor Carl Boersma who will be leading our worship service this morning.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

Cres Vos will be undergoing outpatient surgery on his knee tomorrow.

CONDOLENCES...

to the Heather Wood and Henry Wood families on the death of their grandmother, Helen Gilbertson.

THANK YOU...

to all who promoted, donated to, helped with, and attended the Preschool Fundraiser Breakfast and Bake Sale. Your generosity of time, energy, supplies, baked goods, and/or money was greatly appreciated!

PULPIT SUPPLY...

November 11: Pastor Duane Laman
November 18: Pastor Carl Boersma
November 25: Chaplain Jerry Van Cleave

OPERATION CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES...

are available in the entry. On **November 18** they will be taken to the collection site to be distributed all over the world.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING...

will be Sunday, **November 18**, 2018 immediately following the morning worship service.

It is important that members be in attendance to conduct business including the approval of the 2019 budget.

Also, the election of two new elders and two new deacons.

Two elders will be selected from the nominated group of Joe Harms, Audrey Haverdink, Doug Reed, Irv Rozenboom, Scott Van Der Weide, and Kent Whitmore.

The slate for deacon has not yet been formalized.

JOIN US FOR OUR...

- Thanksgiving Eve Service at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, **November 21**
- Christmas Party on Saturday, **December 8**
- Christmas Program on Wednesday, **December 19**.
Supper will be served at 5:30 p.m. and the program will start at 6:30 p.m. The supper and program are free of charge. Donations will be accepted for children's needs in the Saydel School System.
- Christmas Eve Service at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, **December 24**.

In A Healthy Church, Generosity is Evident Acts 2:44-45

Principles of Jesus [Luke]

- Give and it will be given to you 6:31-38
- Guard against greed 12:15
- Where your money is, your heart will be 12:33-34
- To whom much is given, much is required 12:48
- Discipleship is not without cost 14:27
- We will give an account 16:2
- Jesus is watching/evaluating how we: 21:1-4
 - Secure wealth
 - Save wealth
 - Spend wealth
 - Share wealth

Patterns in the Early Church [Acts]

Their giving was done:

- Gratefully 4:32
- Voluntarily 4:32
- Generously 4:33
- Need responsive 4:34-35
- Systematically/regularly 4:34
- Proportionately 4:34
- Integrity 4:35-37

Practical Applications:

- By sharing when we are busy
- By being hospitable when we'd rather say "no"
- By giving more than we think is enough
- By meeting a need rather than leaving it for 'someone else'
- By going the second mile when we are tired after the first mile

Ponder: What does my giving say about my gratitude for all Christ has given me?

What does my giving say about my spiritual maturity?

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