

# Bethel Mennonite Church

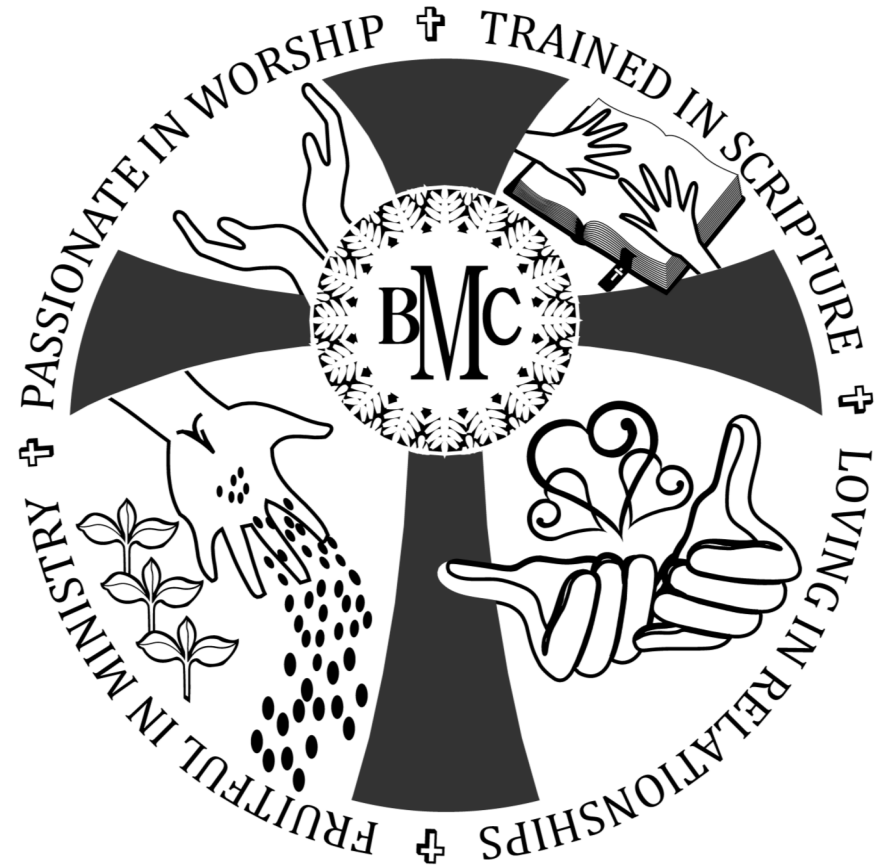
**Blue Christmas** Westminster Presbyterian Church, 208 N Fisher in Versailles, will offer a "Blue Christmas" service for the community on Thursday, Dec. 20, 2018 at 7:00. The service will be a time of quiet reflection, scripture, and music designed for those whose current holidays cannot be described as positive experiences.

**New in Bethelpedia:** the Diary of S.J. Moser from 1916 to 1931. This is an interesting read that gives a fascinating insight into the life of his family and Bethel Mennonite Church during those years. ([bethelmennchurch.org/wiki/bethelpedia/diary-of-s-j-moser/](http://bethelmennchurch.org/wiki/bethelpedia/diary-of-s-j-moser/))

**CoMo Christian Men's Conference** will be held in Columbia, MO at The Crossing Church. Speakers include Matt Chandler, Stu Webber, and Jerrad Lopes. The conference is scheduled for 8:30am-3:30pm on January 19th. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [comochristian.com](http://comochristian.com).

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## SERMON NOTES



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## Bethel Mennonite Church

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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**November 18, 2018**  
**Prayer: 9:00 am**  
**Sunday School: 9:30 am**  
**Worship: 10:30 am**

Rev. David Zapf, Pastor

Church Web Site: <http://www.bethelmennchurch.org>

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/bethelmennchurch>

Church Phone: 573-378-4878; Mobile: 815-228-6391

E-mail: [bethel.fec@gmail.com](mailto:bethel.fec@gmail.com)

# WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude.....Joni Loganbill  
 Oh My Soul

Praise and Worship ..... Children’s Choir  
*How Great Is Our God*  
*Lord I Need You*

Announcements and Prayer

Offering† ..... Local Church

Offertory ..... Twila Garber  
*Now We Thank We All Our God*

Hymn .....#267

Children’s Story ..... Coleen Swanson

Special Music ..... Children’s Choir  
*Do Not Worry*  
*God’s Not Dead*

Scripture Reading ..... Esther 4:8-16

Message\* ..... Wally Groth  
*Strangers in a Strange Land*

Hymn .....#31

†Bethel uses an Offering Schedule that is published on the inside cover of the Church Directory. Unless designated otherwise, offerings go to fund indicated above. Offerings on the 1st Sunday of each month go to the FEC. Offerings on the 3rd and 5th Sundays go to the Local Church Fund.

\*A nursery located in the basement is available for children ages 3 and under for the remainder of the service. Nursing mothers may use the rooms in the back of the balcony.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Offering Totals:** November 11, 2018 - Caring & Sharing Fund \$1,516.00; Local Support \$410.00; and Ministerial Alliance \$10.00

**Offering next Sunday:** Local Food Pantry

**Chris Seah** will be guest speaker for Nov. 25th. Scott and Caitlin Andrews, our FEC/TEAM Missionaries to the Czech Republic, will be guest speakers on Dec. 2nd.

**Community Thanksgiving Service** will be on Tuesday at 7:00pm. It is sponsored by the Ministerial Alliance and located at the First Assembly of God in Versailles.

**Council Agenda Items** should be turned in to Bob Wenger by November 25.

**All women and girls are invited** to the Women in Mission Christmas Party on Monday, December 3rd at 7:00pm in the church basement. More details to come.

**Christmas** will soon be here and preparations for the Christmas Eve program are under way. If you know of any guests attending the Christmas Eve program, please contact LeManda Loganbill and let her know how many children will be there. Thank you, -Sunday School Executive Committee

### 2018 Local Fund Offerings as of 11/4/2018

Offering	82%	\$67,651.80
Need*		\$84,375

\*Anticipated need is \$1,875/week multiplied by the number of weeks year to date.

## THIS WEEK

Tues. 7:00pm Community Thanksgiving Service

## COMING EVENTS

Dec. 3 7:00pm Women in Mission Christmas Party  
 Dec. 9 3:00pm Caitlin Lehman Fischer Baby Shower  
 Dec. 9 7:00pm Lake Area Community Orchestra Christmas Concert  
 Dec. 24 7:00pm Christmas Eve Service

**Ladies, mark your calendars!** A baby shower for Caitlin, Sunday Dec. 9, 3:00pm at Providence. We're excited to celebrate with Caitlin Lehman Fischer on the upcoming arrival of her baby. Caitlin & Jackson are registered at Target & Amazon. They would greatly appreciate a children's story book instead of a card. ~Helen Wenger, Mary Gerber, & Megan Randall.

**Lake Area Community Orchestra** will perform a Christmas concert on December 9th at the Versailles Royal Theater. The concert will begin at 7:00pm and is free to the public. Free Will donations are welcome.

**Looking for a ministry opportunity?** Bake cookies! Cookies are needed for Christmas to share with the prisoners in Algoa. Cookies may not contain hunks of fruit, raisins, or poppy seed; otherwise any kind of cookie is acceptable, including pumpkin and applesauce. In partnership with other area churches, 12,000 cookies are needed, so as many as we can provide will be greatly appreciated. The cookies are needed by December 16. If you plan to participate, please sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer.

**Bulletin information due by noon on Thursdays.** E-mail bulletin information to [bethel.FEC@gmail.com](mailto:bethel.FEC@gmail.com) or contact Devin Dwight or Derek Loganbill.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

- **Reta Lehman**—Cancer Treatments, Shingles, Weakness
- **Gary Nunemacher (Gene Rahn's brother-in-law)**—recovering from brain surgery due to a brain bleed
- **Megan Wenger**—recovering from moderate traumatic brain injury caused by a car accident

### Vision

The vision of Bethel Mennonite Church is to be a Christ-centered community that is passionate in worship, trained in the Scriptures, loving in relationships, and fruitful in ministry to the glory of God.

### Mission

We strive to achieve this vision by prayerfully cultivating a Spirit-led, Christ-centered community through the message of salvation, intentional worship, Bible-centered teaching, Christian fellowship, and mission orientation.

### Core Values

- Loving God
- Loving Our Neighbors
- Seeking God through Prayer
- Seeing Life through a Biblical Worldview
- Serving God together through Team Ministry

Praise the Lord Forever (PTLF) by being Passionate, Trained, Loving, and Fruitful!

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