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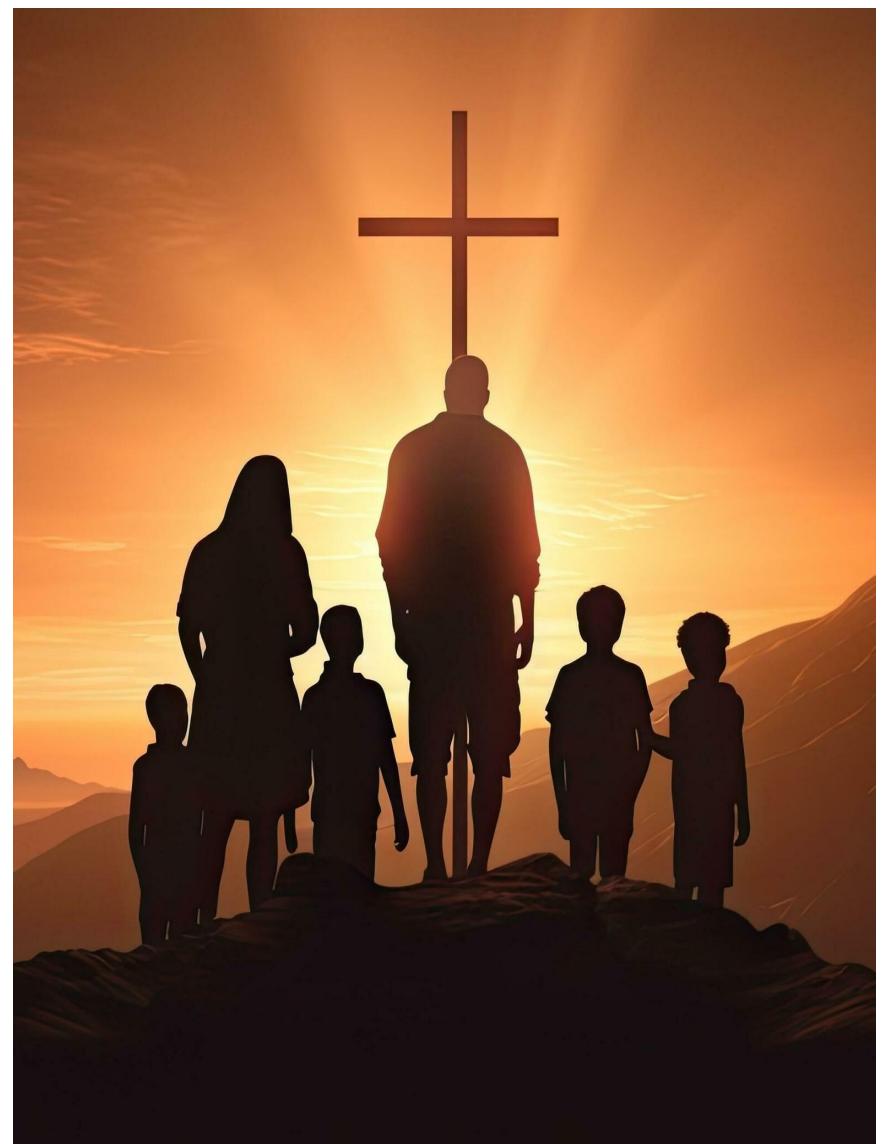
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# January 11, 2026



Long ago, wise travelers followed a star in search of the promised Savior — and their journey led them to joy. Whatever brought you here today, we're glad you came! May you find God's presence and guidance shining brightly in your life.

Organist Ann Mulder  
Liturgist Amanda Hiemstra  
Welcome  
Announcements  
\* "Great Are You Lord"  
\* Greet One Another  
Choir: "We Are Singing for the Lord is Our Light"  
Congregational Prayer  
Scripture: Selected Passages  
Message: "What is a Christian?"  
Prayer  
\* "Firm Foundation"  
\* Benediction  
\* #197 "How Great Our Joy" Vs. 4

**We welcome Cory Ruis to our service.**  
10:30 a.m. Deacon's Meeting, Sunday School, Fellowship  
Adult Sunday School will start today with "Jesus in Our Generation"

## PRAYER PRAISES AND CONCERNS

**Ken Schmitz**, friend of Jim & Carolee Schultz, pancreatitis  
**Art VandeBerg** pneumonia

**Jim Kuik** health issues

**Shelly O'Leary** recovery from surgery

**Kristy Buteyn** bed rest during pregnancy

**Penny Barthuly** recovery from surgery

**Craig Yunto** recovery from eye surgery

**Emyrn Horvath** chest wall surgery on Jan. 12

**Byron Navis** prostate cancer and treatments

**Melody Coehoorn** health issues

**Emmett Schram** continued growth

**Kyle Post** treatments completed and surgery the end of Jan.

**Jesse Tipton** PET scan

### Unspoken Requests

#### Serving in the Military:

**Dan Beekman**

**Ben Coehoorn**

**John Tilstra**

**Derek VandeSlunt**

**Shawn Ward**

**Josh Schultz-Alaska**

**Jayden Hiemstra**

#### Shut ins:

**Annette Hopp** Prairie Place #25, Ripon

**Joan Weisnicht** The Meadows #403, Fond du Lac

**Helen Little**, at home

**Jim Kuik** The Homestead #606, Waupun

#### Missionaries:

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**Campus Collective Coalition, Ripon Campus**



# JANUARY

Tue., 13th	1:00-3:00 p.m. Senior Gathering 1:00-6:00 p.m. Rosendale Blood Drive
Wed., 14th	6:00 p.m. Junior High Youth Group 7:30 p.m. Senior High Youth Group
Thu., 15th	9:00 a.m. Bethel Quilters 6:00 p.m. Elder's Meeting 7:00 p.m. Consistory Meeting
Sun., 18th	9:30 a.m. Worship Charis-Paige Kelley 10:30 a.m. Sunday School, Fellowship 6:00 p.m. Men's Ministry
Tue., 20th	1:00-3:00 p.m. Senior Gathering 6:00 p.m. Mission Pillar Meeting 6:30 pm. Alaska Trip Participants meeting 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study
Wed., 21st	9:10 a.m. 55+ Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Junior High Youth Group 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m. Senior High Youth Group
Sun., 25th	9:30 a.m. Worship Al Van Hueizen 10:30 a.m. Deacon's Meeting, Sunday School Fellowship
Tue., 27th	1:00-3:00 p.m. Senior Gathering 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study
Wed., 28th	6:00 p.m. Junior High Youth Group 7:30 p.m. Senior High Youth Group

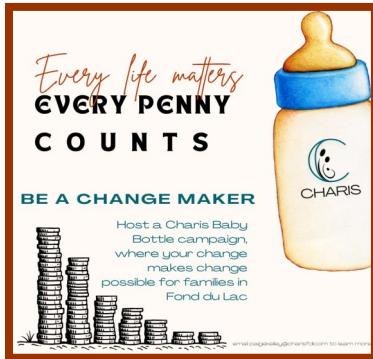
**Children's Bulletin**-Bulletins may be taken home but we ask that the crayons be returned to the baskets following the service.

## Today's Schedule

<b>Lift</b> Ed Montsma	<b>Sound</b> Harley Coehoorn	<b>Liturgy</b> Amanda Hiemstra
<b>Nursery</b> Sadie Newbury	<b>Greeter</b> Greg Smit	<b>Fellowship</b> Kelly VandeZande
	<b>DVD Delivery</b>	Karen Redeker

## Next Weeks Schedules

<b>Lift</b> Rick Redeker	<b>Sound</b> Kelly VandeZande	<b>Liturgy</b> Mark Kastein
<b>Nursery</b> Lori Coehoorn	<b>Greeter</b> Shelly Hiemstra	<b>Fellowship</b> Byron Navis
	<b>Children's Message</b> Heather Wegner	
<b>DVD Delivery</b> Jeanette Winkel		



Charis exists to empower individuals in the community to make life-affirming choices through faith-based programs and support. This past year we have fulfilled that mission through the distribution of more than 3,000 boutique items and over 700 mentor appointments. We have served over 70 unique clients, 92 children, and had 19 babies born! So grab a bottle, fill it up, bring it back and let life shine in our community!

When you fill up a baby bottle with checks, cash, or coins, you make this possible.

**Volunteer Sign Up** There is a sign up sheet on the table in the entry for anyone who would be interested in volunteering in any area of Bethel Church such as ushering, lift attendant, nursery, liturgist, Children's message, DVD delivery, etc. Please sign up and you will be added to the schedule.



Is life seemingly unsteady? Could you use some unshakable hope? When we belong to God, we can filter our problems through the promises of God. We will use Max Lucado's Bible Study "Unshakeable Hope" to discover how to overcome difficult circumstances through the stories of men and women in Scripture and the promises of God. This will be a 12-week study starting, Tuesday, January 20 at 6:30. Please sign up at the information table so we know how many books to have ready for you.

Blessings, Leesa Tilstra



Evangelism/Outreach Pillar will meet Tuesday, January 20 at 6:00 p.m. at Bethel Church.

Following the Pillar meeting there will be a meeting for the Alaska Trip Participants for important information.