

December 23, 2022



*Today in the city of David a Savior was born for you, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be the sign for you: You will find a baby wrapped tightly in cloth and lying in a manger.” Suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: Glory to God in the highest heaven, and peace on earth to people he favors!  
Luke 2:11-14 (CSB)*

**Bethel Church**  
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*Simple Truth / Big Hope*

**Please join us  
Christmas Eve**

- 4 p.m. Family Service
- 9 p.m. Vespers Service

2700 W Philip | North Platte, NE

Bethel offices will be closed December 26 and January 2 in observance of the Christmas and New Year's holidays. Year-end giving may be dropped off through December 29; online giving may be processed through December 31.

## Christmas breaks:

- Youth groups - December 21 through January 4
- Awana - December 28 through January 4
- Sunday Bible Studies - December 18 through January 1
- Bethel Office will be closed in observation of Christmas and the New Year on the following Mondays

*Please confirm dates with your group leader.*



## The Gathering - “We are Better Together”



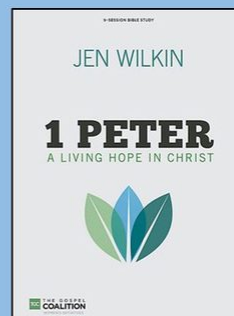
The Gathering is a time for all our Bethel faith family to gather and celebrate our Connect Groups! Connect Groups at Bethel are one of the most important ways that we connect and grow in our faith together. Connect Groups are also the perfect place for you to live life together with people who genuinely love and care about each other!

The Gathering is a time to celebrate what God is doing at Bethel through our Connect Groups, to deepen our relationships with our Bethel faith family, to invite others to join a Connect Group, or to check out joining a different group.

Please plan on joining us at The Gathering on January 8th, 2023, from 6-7:30 pm for dessert, celebrating God, and connecting!

### Women's new bible study.

Tuesdays at 9 a.m.  
beginning January 3.  
Led by Marcella Hofer  
in Room 304.





# Bethel Adults

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## **Starting Point | Wednesdays beginning January 11th, 6 - 8:30 p.m.**

Do you have questions about God, Jesus, or the Bible?

A church might not seem like the best place to voice your doubts or ask questions about God, but we think it should be! Starting Point is a series of conversations about faith that occurs in a casual setting over eight weeks. Everyone is welcome, and you can join at any time. Taught by Pastor Jim Strecker.

## **God's Story SHAPES US! | Sundays beginning January 15th, 10:45 a.m.**

God's story says you are "wonderfully complex." You are God's one-of-a-kind creation, and God created you with a purpose! This course is a journey into God's Word to discover how He has designed you and called you to serve. We will take an in-depth look at your SHAPE for ministry and help you get connected inside and outside the church. Taught by Pastor Jim Strecker.

## **Wise Stewardship | Sundays beginning January 15th, 10:45 a.m.**

The Bible speaks plentifully on the topic of money and stewardship. Good stewardship is a key component of a growing Christian life. Through this course, you will learn God's heart concerning money, time, and resources and how to apply biblical wisdom to your life. Taught by Greg Wilke.

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## **On the schedule...**

December 24 | Christmas Services

4 p.m. - Family Service

9 p.m. - Vespers Service

December 25 | Pre-recorded Christmas message online

January 1 - 11 a.m. | Soup and share

January 8, 6 - 7:30 p.m. | The Gathering - Connect Groups

January 11, 6 - 8:30 p.m. | Starting Point on Wednesdays

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