

THE LORD'S DAY – NOVEMBER 14, 2021
MORNING WORSHIP - 9:30 A.M.

Led by: Dr. Cornelis Venema

Prelude

Welcome

Silent Prayer

*Mutual Greeting

*Call to Worship: Psalm 92:1-4

*God's Greeting

*Opening Songs of Adoration: *"Just As I Am (I Come Broken)"*

"Behold Our God"

Standard of Righteousness: Exodus 20:1-17

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Titus 3:4-7

*Song of Thanksgiving: #471 *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"*

Musical Offering: *"The Joy of the Lord"* - Kids Praise

At this time, children ages 3-5 may be dismissed for a Bible lesson,
located downstairs in the old nursery.

Congregational Prayer and for Illumination

Scripture: 1 Kings 13 (p. 547)

Sermon: *"The Lord Confirms the Power of His Word"*

*Song of Response: #469 *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*

Prayer for the Offering (Mid-America Reformed Seminary)

*Benediction

*Closing Song: *"We Will Extol You, God and King"* (v. 1)

THE LORD'S DAY – NOVEMBER 14, 2021
EVENING WORSHIP - 6:30 P.M.

Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Prelude

Introit: Brooklyn Talsma

Welcome & Silent Prayer

Expression of Dependence

Pastor: I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where does my help come?

People: Our help is in the Name of the LORD, Maker of heaven and earth.

*Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-3

*Opening Song of Adoration: #460 *"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"*

Bible Reading: Matthew 18:21-35 (p. 1527)

Prayer of God's People

*Song of Thanksgiving: #568 *"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"*

Scripture: Ephesians 4:32-5:2

Heidelberg Catechism: LD 51 (Q. 126)

Sermon: *"Forgiven and Forgiving"*

*Song of Response: #267 *"And Can It Be"*

Prayer for the Offering (Mid-America Reformed Seminary)

Offertory: Blaire Talsma

*Confession of the Faith: The Nicene Creed

*Benediction

*Parting Song: #400 *"Praise the Savior Now and Ever"* (v. 4)

SERMON NOTES – NOVEMBER 14, 2021

THE LORD CONFIRMS THE POWER OF HIS WORD

Text: 1 Kings 13

FORGIVEN AND FORGIVING

Text: Ephesians 4:32-5:2

HC: LD 51 (Q.126)

Reformation Matters

"When the view of the way of salvation is at first clear, or whenever it becomes clear, nothing fills the soul with greater wonder, and gratitude at the same time, than that Christ is waiting to receive sinners in all their guilt and vileness - yea, to receive them just as they are; not only without merit, but without preparation; and that he undertakes to do the whole work of their salvation, gratuitously." - Archibald Alexander, *Practical Sermons*, 400

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES:

Today	9:30 am	- Morning Worship
	10:40 am	- Prayer Warriors
		- Kids' Praise
		- Catechism and Sunday school
	11:00 am	- Choir
	6:30 pm	- Evening Worship
Mon.	2:00 pm	- Mary Guild (Lesson 4)
Wed.	9:30 am	- Coffee Break & Story Hour
	6:00 pm	- Kids of Grace (Runals)
	7:00 pm	- Friendship
	8:00 pm	- Chimes
Thur.	9:30 am	- Christian Fellowship
	5:00 pm	- Youth Group Potato Supper
	7:00 pm	- Congregational Meeting
Fri.	7:00 pm	- Church game night

FUTURE DATES:

Nov. 21	10:45am	- Zoom Margaret Njuguna
	11:30am	- 3 rd -8 th grade Christmas Program practice until 11:45
Dec. 4	9:00am	- Word & Deed deacon event
Dec. 18	7:00pm	- Christmas Concert (pianist Thomas VanSoelen & cellist Meghan McGuire)

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning, it is our privilege to welcome Dr. Cornelis Venema as he leads our congregation in worship. Dr. Venema is professor of doctrinal studies and President of Mid-America Reformed Seminary in Dyer, Indiana. He is the author of several books, including *But for the Grace of God: An Exposition of the Canons of Dort* and *Christ and Covenant Theology*.

Prayer warriors: After the morning worship service please find your prayer partner and a spot in front of the sanctuary to pray before catechism!

Next Sundays Offering: Royal Family Kid's Camp

Stewardship Verse:

"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." Galatians 6:10

The Youth Group needs your help! If you're willing to make a dessert for the potato supper on Thursday night, please sign up in the back of church.

Happy autumn and Thanksgiving blessings! We will be giving a turkey or ham to our Food Shelf recipients, along with pie. Thank you to our congregation for the generous donations of food and the offering support. Anyone in need, please contact Shar Miedema or Brenda Kooi.

Christian Fellowship changed its meeting date to November 18th due to Veteran's Day programs on November 11th. We will still meet at 9:30 am at the Edgebrook Independent apartment's dining room on November 18th.

Church game night: Join us for an evening of fun on Friday evening from 6:30-8:30! No need to bring any games this time, as the game will be provided! Bring a friend and a snack to share if you desire. If you have any questions, please contact Megan Bleyenbug or Tawni Pater.

These are the names of the elder and deacon nominations. Elder: Duane Baker, Dave Brons, Wes DeKam, Rick Fey, Mike Hulstein, & Greg Talsma. Deacons: Kirk Bleyenbug, Levi Mouw, Marshall Pater, Nathan Stoel, Corey Vis. Three elders and three deacons are needed this year; please be in prayer for this process and that the Lord would call willing and Godly men to lead our church.

Operation Christmas Child: This is the last week to get your boxes in! Please have your boxes in by next Sunday, the 21st by the end of the evening service. Please donate the \$9.00 online or mail it to Samaritans Purse, PO Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607-9956. Thank you so much for your help in bringing some joy to children around the world this Christmas!

Missionary Christmas Cards – Please remember our missionary families this Christmas season with a card or letter to let them know that you are praying for them. There are boxes in the foyer for you to place your Christmas cards in. Please have your cards in by Sunday, December 5 so we can get them set off. Pray that they may receive strength and wisdom for each day. Thank you, the Mission Committee

Word & Deed & 1st CRC of Edgerton are sponsoring an event to impact, challenge, and encourage deacons in their important work and ministry. This even will be especially helpful for all current and prospective deacons but we encourage everyone to attend so we know how to support and pray for our deacons. Our speaker, Rip Pratt, has trained deacons in three reformed denominations. This event will take place at 1st CRC of Edgerton on Saturday, December 4 at 9:00 a.m.

During this fall season, we are reminded of the words of Jesus from Luke 10:2 that "the

harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few." The Luke Society's main goal is to bring in that harvest of souls for Christ by using our ministry directors' medical gifts to spread His Good News. We thank First Christian Reformed Church for participating in that process by supporting the Luke Society. May your gifts be used to plant the seeds of the Gospel throughout the world in advance of His bountiful harvest.

COMMUNITY & MISC

Cadet counselor meeting is this Tuesday, November 16 at Sioux Falls 1st CRC at 7:30pm. Our Regional Counselor Trainer Doug Groeneboom will have an educational workshop.

The Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra will present a Fall Concert, "Winter Dreams from Russia," on Tuesday, November 16, at 7:30 p.m. in the B.J. Haan Auditorium on the campus of Dordt University in Sioux Center, Iowa. Tickets are available to purchase online at <https://niso.dordt.edu> and at the door the night of the concert. For more information, contact the NISO office at 712-722-6230 or niso@dordt.edu.

CRC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanksgiving Prayers - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Have you ever wondered if it's okay to thank God for really little things? 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 encourages us to thank God no matter what is happening. Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for all the new content.

Family Fire - is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

Groundwork: Jonah: Doing God's Work - It doesn't matter who we are, what we've done, or how inadequate we feel, God has work for us to do. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Jonah 3 to better understand how much God cares and to discover the courage to never give up on someone or let our bias hinder our message as we continue to do God's work and follow God's call in the world today. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**copies of the remaining CRC announcements are placed on the table next to the bulletins.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

TODAY:

Nursery: AM – Jody Schaap, Kelsey Schmidt, Jessica Sjaarda, Ava Busker
PM – Lori Schelhaas, Lois Schmidt, Clayton Blankers, Judd Prouty
Valet: Loren DeKam
Ushers: Greg Talsma, Arlyn Schmidt, Micah Schaap, Ben Hanson
Medical Assistant: Carmen Fey
Children's Worship: Brigitte Pap, Ryan/Tyler Pap
Praise Team: Kirk & Carter Van Hulzen, Howard, Micah, & Aiden Schaap
Keyboard: Brittany Forness

NEXT WEEK – NOVEMBER 21:

Nursery: AM – Dana Huisken, Alisha Ekkel, Tyson Bleyenbergh, JT VanHulzen
PM – Daci Moss, Brigitte Pap, Brooklyn Talsma, Megan Blom
Valet: Mike Hulstein
Ushers: Ray Schelhaas, Jamie Pap, Justin Moss, Kurt Talsma
Medical Assistant: Barb Obbink
Children's Worship: Kelsey Schmidt, Sawyer Stoel

MISSIONARIES

Friendship Community Church Christian Reformed Home Missions Sergeant Bluff, Iowa	Sos and Kara Maletoungou Christian Reformed World Missions West Africa	Rev. William & Aletha Green Latin Amer. Fellowship of Reformed Churches, Costa Rica
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