

THE LORD'S DAY – MARCH 12, 2023
MORNING WORSHIP - 9:30 A.M.
Led by: Pastor LeRoy Christoffels

Prelude: Grant Busker

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

*Call to Worship: I Timothy 3:13-16

*God's Greeting

*Opening Songs: #111 *"O Give the Lord Wholehearted Praise"* (v. 1-3, 6)

#364 *"O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High"* (v. 1,4,6)

God's Standard of Righteousness: The Ten Commandments

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon – I Timothy 1:15; II Timothy 1:12

*Hymn of Thanksgiving: #495 *"I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace"*

At this time, children ages 3-5 may be dismissed for a Bible lesson,
located downstairs in Room 4.

Choir: *"On This Rock We Stand"*

Scripture: Matthew 26:69-75

Sermon: *"The Denial of Christ"*

Prayer of Application

*Hymn: #386 *"Ah, Holy Jesus, How Have You Offended?"*

Congregational Prayer and Prayer for the Offering

Offering

*Benediction

*Doxology 320 *"Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing"*

Next Sundays Offering: Christian Education

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EVENING WORSHIP - 6:30 P.M.
Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Prelude

Introit: Shelbi Kroeze

Welcome & Silent Prayer

Expression of Dependence: Psalm 46:1-3

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way

People: And the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

*Call to Worship: 2 Samuel 23:3-4

*Opening Song of Adoration: #253 *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"*

Bible Reading: Hebrews 7:23-8:2 (p. 1869)

Prayer of the Lord's People

*Song of Thanksgiving: #473 *"To God Be the Glory"*

Confession of Our Faith: Belgic Confession, Article 26 (selected portion)

Scripture: John 14:1-6 (p. 1675)

Sermon: *"Jesus—The One Mediator"*

*Song of Response: *"Arise, My Soul, Arise"* - Trinity Hymnal #305

Prayer for the Offering (Christian Education)

Offertory: *"Be Thou My Vision"* - Ava Busker

*Confession of the Faith: The Apostles' Creed

*Benediction

*Closing Song: #621 *"The God of Abraham Praise"* (v. 5)

SERMON NOTES – MARCH 12, 2023

THE DENIAL OF CHRIST

Text: Matthew 26: 69-75

JESUS – THE ONE MEDIATOR

Text: John 14:1-6

REFORMATION MATTERS: "God preserves in those saints when they fall his imperishable seed from which they have been born again, lest it perish or be dislodged. Secondly, by his Word and Spirit he certainly and effectively renews them to repentance so that they have a heartfelt and godly sorrow for the sins they have committed; seek and obtain, through faith and with a contrite heart, forgiveness in the blood of the Mediator; experience again the grace of a reconciled God; through faith adore his mercies; and from then on more eagerly work out their own salvation with fear and trembling." - Canons of Dort, Point 5.7

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES:

Today	9:30 am	- Morning worship
	10:40 am	- Prayer Warriors, Kid's praise, Catechism and Sunday school
	11:00 am	- Choir
	6:30 pm	- Evening worship
Mon	7:00 pm	- Men's Society (Lesson 8)
Wed.	9:30 am	- Coffee Break & Story Hour
	6:00 pm	- Kids of Grace
	6:30 pm	- Evening Coffee Break
		- Youth Group (large groups)
	7:45 pm	- Chimes
Thur.	7:00 pm	- Friendship

FUTURE DATES:

April 1	- Sister's Tea
April 9	- Easter Sunrise Service and breakfast (7:00am)
June 5-8	- Royal Family Kids Camp
June 12-16	- Edgerton VBS

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Warriors: Please meet your prayer partner at the front of the sanctuary today after the AM service.

The Profession of Faith class begins today for those who signed up. After worship this morning, grab your refreshments and meet in Pastor Scott's study

If you thought you were signed up for the text/email notifications from our church but did not receive the message last Sunday regarding church being cancelled, please fill a paper out with your name and your email and/or phone number and place it in Tawni's mailbox.

Council Notes:

- The new sounds system is expected to be installed on Monday (13th).

- The Council is trying to schedule a date for Active Shooter Training. The whole Council will be taking part in this training, and we would welcome as many as desire to participate. However, we need a head count of those who would like to participate, so please text or email Ryan Blom so we can plan appropriately (507-220-2161 or ryan.d.blom@gmail.com). We are looking at Saturday mornings in the last half of March or early April.

Classis Recap:

- Candidate Ryan Vander Wees was examined and approved for the ministry. We thank God for providing another shepherd to attend to God's flock at Peace CRC of Menno, SD.
- Synod Delegates were elected - Pastor Scott and Pastor Chad Werkhoven (Worthington CRC), Elder Don Walhof (Bethel) and our very own Deacon Nick Sjaarda will be attending Synod 2023. Please start praying for these men and for Synod already. The groundwork for discipline was laid last year, and it will be the job of Synod 2023 to exercise it which will be difficult and trying, both physically and spiritually. However, we echo the Apostle Paul in 2 Corinthians 12:9-10, "But he [the Lord] said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong."
- Elder Ryan Blom was elected to be Classis Minnkota's delegate on the CRCNA's Council of Delegates.
- Five overtures were approved by Classis for Synod 2023 (if you are interested in knowing more about them please contact Ryan Blom or Greg Talsma for a copy of them or to talk about them)

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHANGE OF DATE: The Southwest Christian High School Circles invite you to their annual Spring Soup and Dessert Supper on Tuesday, March 28. Serving time is from 5:30-7:30 PM. Menu choices include chili, cheesy vegetable, pea, chicken rice soups, BBQ's and desserts. Free will donations are gratefully accepted.

Palm Sunday, April 2, 2:30 pm: Please join us for our Annual Easter Music Festival at First CRC of Edgerton. Southwest's Choirs, area churches, and choral groups will present individual numbers during this afternoon of praise. Members of the audience will be invited to join the mass choir the Hallelujah Chorus. An offering will be taken for Southwest Christian High School (sponsored as a fundraiser by Circle #12).

SWC KINGDOM KIDS PRESCHOOL - is open for enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year. What a wonderful opportunity for your child to explore and discover God's world! Registration forms can be picked up at the elementary campus office at 210 Elizabeth St in Edgerton or downloaded from our school website, <https://www.swcschools.org/> For more information or a tour, call the office at 507-442-6181 or email us at elementary@swcschools.org. If you know of others who do not presently send their children to SWC Elementary but may be interested in preschool information, refer them to our website or let us know and we will mail information to them.

Save the Date & the Details!!

Event: SWC Spring Donation Sale

Date/Time: Friday, April 14, 2023 at 6:30 pm

Event Location: SWC Elementary Campus

Wish to donate an item, experience, or basket to the sale? Drop off any non-perishable items to the High School or Elementary Campus either campus by March 27th!

COMMUNITY & MISC

There will be a Red Cross blood drive at the First Reformed Church in Edgerton on Monday, March 27 from 12:30 until 6:30. Please call Betty at 507-227-8416 or fbhuisken@gmail.com to make or confirm an appointment. There is a constant need for blood Every 2 seconds someone/somewhere in the U.S.A. needs blood. Anyone 17 years or older and in good health is able to donate.

First Reformed Church of Edgerton is hosting a Maundy Thursday coffee on April 6th. They are hosting Angela Kennecke as the speaker. Angela will speak on the death of her daughter to opioids and how she has made it her mission to stop the stigma surrounding addiction and find solutions to the opioid epidemic. A free will offering will go to Emily's Hope.

Upcoming Events at Pipestone ATLAS:

Wednesday, March 29: Pizza Ranch Fundraiser at Pipestone Pizza Ranch, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 29: Annual Spring Rummage, 9:00-3:00 at ATLAS - Pipestone (At this time we are looking for gently used household items, home decor & odds and ends (no clothing or furniture). Your donations may be dropped off at ATLAS (101 2nd St NE) on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 9:00am-5:00pm. (Deadline for donations is April 25) or call Roxie Mulder to pick up your donations (507.227.0905).)

Our thanks to the Pipestone Pizza Ranch for hosting the Community Impact Night to benefit ATLAS and our thanks to our many supporters for their prayers and donations of rummage items and many other expressions of support. Praising our Heavenly Father for all his many blessings to this ministry!

Pipestone County Hospice will be holding a six-week adult grief support group from April 13th to May 18th at the Pipestone County Hospice House. Friedf support groups allow individuals mourning the loss of a loved one the chance to come together in a safe environment to discuss their experiences. Mourners are given a space to share his/her thoughts and emotions. The group will discover coping skills, discuss identity changes, and find support. Meetings will be on Thursdays from 7:00pm to 8:00 pm at the Pipestone County Hospice House. For more information or to register please call (507) 825-6024.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

TODAY:

Nursery: AM – Evon VanHofwegen, Jan Fey, Jon & Kelsey Schmidt, Kathryn Prins, Hannah Masselink
PM – Jody Schaap, Cindy Spronk, Sawyer Stoel, Zackery Blom

Valet: Dan Huisken

Ushers: Brett Kroeze, Rod Corbin, Luis Rodriguez, Clayton Blankers

Sound: AM –Jesse VanHofwegen; PM – Ray Schelhaas

Video: Grant Busker

Projection: Kirk/Luis

Medical Assistant: Brenda Kooi

Children's Worship: Tawni Pater, Kaden Schmidt

NEXT WEEK – MARCH 19:

Nursery: AM – Justin & Daci Moss, Beth Sas, Lori VanEssen, Grant Busker, Parker Bleyenbergh
PM – Karen Fey, Rebecca Vis, Makenzie Pap, Makenna Moss

Valet: Nathan Blankers

Ushers: Brett Kroeze, Rod Corbin, Luis Rodriguez, Clayton Blankers

Sound: Dean

Video: Luis

Projection: Lorelei/Blair

Medical Assistant: Kim Veldhuizen

Children's Worship: Alisha Ekkel, Vera Prouty

Praise Team: Brad & Judd Prouty, Howard & Aiden Schaap, Brian & Grant Busker

MISSIONARIES

Margaret Njuguna

En-Gedi Children's Home,
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Sos and Kara Maletougou

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West Africa

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