

**THE LORD'S DAY – JULY 16, 2023**  
**MORNING WORSHIP - 9:30 A.M.**  
Led by: Pastor Bernie Haan

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

\*Call to Worship: Matthew 11:28-30

\*Opening Songs of Adoration: *"Come, People of the Risen King"*

*"My Life Is In You Lord"*

Standard of Righteousness: Colossians 3:1-4, 12-14

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

\*Song of Thanksgiving: #448 *"I Lift Up My Eyes to the Mountains"*

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

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 1:1-7

Sermon: "Coming Alongside"

\*Song of Response: LUYH #897 *"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"*

Congregational Prayer & Prayer for the Offering (Global Missions Fund)

Offering & Offertory: *"Glorious Day"*

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: *"May the Lord"*

Postlude: *"Humble Thyself in the Sight of The Lord"*

**Next Sundays Offering:** Talking Bibles

**THE LORD'S DAY – JULY 16, 2023**  
**EVENING WORSHIP – 6:30 P.M.**  
Led by: Pastor Lee Christoffels

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

Expression of Dependence: Psalm 121:1-2

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

People: *My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.*

Call to Worship – Hebrews 6:17-20

\*The Lord's Greeting

\*Opening Song of Praise: #149 *"Sing Praise to the Lord"*

Reading: Belgic Confession Article 29a "The Marks of the True Church"

Congregational Prayer

\*Song of Thanksgiving: #479 *"I Will Sing of My Redeemer"*

Scripture: Job 13:13-20 (Text v. 15) (along with selected verses from Job 12-14)

Sermon: "Though He Slay Me"

\*Song of Response: 463 *"O Love of God, How Strong and True"* (v. 1,2,5,7)

Offertory Prayer (Global Missions Fund)

Offering and Offertory: *"In Jesus Name"* – Kaitlyn Schelhaas

\*Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: 185 *"I Will Extol You, O My God"* (v.1)

## SERMON NOTES – JULY 16, 2023

### COMING ALONGSIDE

Text: 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 1:1-7

### THOUGH HE SLAY ME

Text: Job 13:13-20

**REFORMATION MATTERS:** "I hold that the biblical writers, after having been prepared for their task by the providential ordering of their entire lives, received, in addition to all that, a blessed, wonderful, and supernatural guidance and impulsion by the Spirit of God, so that they were preserved from the errors that appear in other books and thus the resulting book, the Bible, is in all its parts the very Word of God, completely true in what it says regarding matters of fact and completely authoritative in its commands." - J. Gresham Machen, in *"Things Unseen"*

### THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES:

Today 9:30 am - Morning Worship  
6:30 pm - Evening Worship

### FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES:

July 23 - Synod Recap  
August 10 - Potluck and pie auction

### OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We weep with and pray for John and Harriet Vander Haar following the recent death of their granddaughter, Taylor Krosschell. May the Lord Jesus, who has the words of eternal life, grant comfort to the family during this time of deep grief.

Congratulations to Logan and Morgan Schoonhoven after the recent birth of their son, Cooper Michael Schoonhoven! May the Lord richly bless their family as they welcome this precious, covenant child into their home and hearts.

### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be a short update given by The Building Addition Finance Committee immediately following the benediction this morning.

Many of our youth will be attending the Reformed Youth Services Conference in Wilmore, KY this week July 15-23. Please join our church family in praying for these students and their chaperones. Those attending the RYS Conference include Brian B, Andrea L, Mindy B, Kylee and Jayden B, Makenzie P, Nilson and Kevin VH, Grant and Ava B, Hannah M, Victoria P, Tyson and Logan B, Clayton B, Kaitlin S. and Cami VH.

**PRAYER WARRIORS:** We are looking for some new prayer warriors to bless our incoming 7th graders this school year. Please consider this opportunity to bless the youth in our church! It simply involves the power of prayer and a once a month five minute meeting during the school year. If you have questions or would like to help out please talk to Nicole Vis.

## **SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

THANK YOU to everyone who made our Southwest Christian Food Stand a great success at the Dutch Festival this summer!! We are truly grateful for everyone who played a part in our fundraiser...you are a blessing to our school! Thank you to our many donors who supported us through their monetary gifts as well as those who provided us with food items or necessary supplies to make our fundraiser an even greater success. Thank you also to our list of willing volunteers who helped to lighten the work load -- your hours in the stand are greatly appreciated. And our thanks goes out to our unending number of supporters who stopped in for a meal or quick treat throughout the weekend. And mostly, we thank our Heavenly Father for each of you, who always continue to support our school, our teachers and our children in prayer throughout each year that passes at Southwest Christian! Many Blessings to you ~ The SWC Food Stand Committee and Parent's Club

The summer days are hot and filled with a variety of activities. The activities at Southwest MN Christian Schools include the preparation and distribution of registration materials for the 2023-2024 school year. These materials were sent out this past weekend to parents and students, so be looking for them in your mailboxes! Registration materials need to be completed and are due back into either the Elementary office or the High School office during our registration week, July 17-20. Office hours that week are:

Monday (17th) and Tuesday (18th) : 8:30-1:30

Wednesday (19th) : 8:00-6:00

Thursday (20th) : 8:30-1:30

If you are aware of someone who is interested in receiving a quality Christian education for their child(ren) please contact Southwest Christian (442-4471) and we will gladly contact them with our mission and registration materials. If your family did not receive a packet please contact the school office. We look forward to another year of growing and learning together as we challenge students in knowing, loving, and serving God and others. In appreciation we thank you for your continued support and prayers as we prepare and begin another school year.

## **COMMUNITY & MISC**

GEMS is looking for several more leaders/helpers for the upcoming season in September. Who wants to be part of a great mission!!! You are with another leader so you will always have a partner in your small group and if crafts aren't your thing, no worries! We have everything organized and planned ahead of time so you just show up and be present for these girls! This is a great ministry and we have been able to offer it to girls grades 3-8. To continue to offer it to those grades though we need your help! We need to have our team completed very soon so don't delay! GEMS is something these girls look forward to! Please talk to or call Jen Brands at 507-227-5880 with any questions or if you are willing to serve as a leader!

Word & Deed Prayer Update - South Africa: In addition to many economic and societal challenges, South Africa continues to struggle with electrical blackouts as the national grid falters under growing demand. The daily blackouts have become such a pressing issue, that Word & Deed recently had to provide a solar backup system to Nakekela HIV/AIDS Clinic in order to protect the health and safety of critically ill patients. Please pray that the medical staff will not grow weary as they minister in the face of many difficulties and much spiritual opposition. Pray that the patients who hear the Gospel would be moved by the Holy Spirit to respond in faith and that many would be added to God's kingdom.

Cornerstone Prison Church, Sioux Falls- Faith Fellowship Weekend will kick off with worship on Friday, August 25 from 6:30-8:45pm- Saturday, August 26 and Sunday, August 27 will be from 8:00am-3:00pm each day. The theme for the weekend is Perseverance in Prayer. The scripture text comes from Philippians 4:4-7 " <sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; <sup>6</sup> do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus". Join us for worship, large group talks and small group discussions. The deadline for signing up is Thursday, August 3. We would be happy to have you join us for part of the weekend or all of it. If you would like more information or to sign up, please contact us at [office@cornerstonepcsd.org](mailto:office@cornerstonepcsd.org) or call 507-215-3670. Thank you for considering this wonderful ministry opportunity!

## **CRC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Kids Corner: God Is With You - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). David wrote Psalm 139 to remind himself of the truth that God is always near. We can rest in the knowledge that God knit each of us together in our mother's womb (Psalm 139:13-14). He has been with us from the beginning and will never leave us. Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) like the Kids in Action video "Wherever You Go."

Groundwork: For Yours is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory Forever. Amen. - For centuries, Christians around the world have concluded the Lord's Prayer the same way. Join Groundwork as we conclude our study of the Lord's Prayer by studying 1 Chronicles 29:11, Revelation 7:11-12, Psalm 24:1, and 1 Corinthians 1:20 to discuss the biblical importance of these words, what we mean when we say them, and why we end the Lord's Prayer this way. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

## MEMBERS IN SERVICE

### TODAY:

Nursery: AM – Evon VH, Christa B, Justin & Daci M, Jonathan S, Nilson VH

PM – Alex N, Corey V, Blaire T, Lilyana M

Valet: Coleton H

Ushers: Del VE, Owen T, Corey V, Randy F

Sound: AM-Cory S      PM- Cory S

Video: Kevin VH

Projection: Orey F/Jody DK

Medical Assistant: Barb O

Children's Worship: Brigette P, Tyler P

Praise Team: Mark & Lori B, Tadd & Erica P, Kurt & Vonda T

Keyboard: Kaitlyn S

### NEXT WEEK – JULY 23:

Nursery: AM – Jan F, Rebecca V, Jon & Kelsey S, Sawyer VH, Max VH

PM – Vonda T, Ashley S, Vera P, Ellia VD

Valet: Dale M

Ushers: Del VE, Owen T, Corey V, Randy F

Sound: AM-Mark B      PM- Mark B

Video: Jacob M

Projection: Jan S/Jonathan S

Medical Assistant: Brenda Kooi

Children's Worship: Mara M & Tage M

## MISSIONARIES

### **Margaret Njuguna**

En-Gedi Children's Home,  
Kenya

### **Sos and Kara Maletoungou**

Christian Reformed World Missions  
West Africa

### **Rev. William & Aletha Green**

Latin Amer. Fellowship of Reformed  
Churches, Costa Rica

### **K & K**

Global Serve International  
Central Asia

### **Cornerstone Prison Church**

Sioux Falls, South Dakota