

**THE LORD'S DAY – AUGUST 13, 2023**  
**MORNING WORSHIP - 9:30 A.M.**  
Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

\*Call to Worship: Revelation 5:12-13

\*Opening Songs of Adoration: *"Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me"*  
*"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"*

Standard of Righteousness: 1 John 5:21

Prayer of Confession

Covenant Baptism of Frank Stephen Feikema

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

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

Scripture: Psalm 19 (p. 858)

Sermon: "Looking Up and Looking Down"

\*Song of Response: #500 *"How Firm a Foundation"*

Prayer of the Lord's People

Offering: Volunteers in Mercy

\*Benediction

\*Parting Song: *"My Friends, May You Grow in Grace"*

**THE LORD'S DAY – AUGUST 13, 2023**  
**EVENING WORSHIP – 6:30 P.M.**  
Led by: Pastor Lee Christoffels

Introit: *"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"* – Vera Prouty

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 – Job 36:24-26

\*The Lord's Greeting

\*Opening Song of Praise: #73 *"God Loves All the Righteous"* (vs. 1,6,7,8)

Confessional Reading: Canons of Dordt, I, Article 1-2 – "God's Right to Condemn All People" and  
*"The Manifestation of God's Love"*

Congregational Prayer

\*Song of Thanksgiving: #248 *"I Greet My Sure Redeemer"*

Scripture: Job 18:1-7; Job 19 (Text vv. 23-27)

Sermon: "Job's Great Testimony"

\*Song of Response: *"I Know That My Redeemer Liveth"* [Trinity Hymnal 690]

Offertory Prayer (Volunteers in Mercy)

Offering and Offertory: *"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"* - Grant Busker & Judd Prouty

\*Confession of Faith: The Nicene Creed

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: #442 *"Abide With Me"* (vs. 1,5)

## SERMON NOTES – AUGUST 13, 2023

### LOOKING UP AND LOOKING DOWN

Text: Psalm 19

### JOB'S GREAT TESTIMONY

Text: Job 18:1-7; Job 19

**REFORMATION MATTERS:** "What are sacraments?" - Sacraments are holy signs and seals for us to see. They were instituted by God so that by our use of them he might make us understand more clearly the promise of the gospel, and might put his seal on that promise. And this is God's promise: to forgive our sins and give us eternal life by grace alone because of Christ's one sacrifice finished on the cross." - Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 66

### THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES:

Today 9:30 am - Morning Worship  
6:30 pm - Evening Worship  
Mon. 6:00 pm - SWC En-Gedi trip fundraiser  
Wed. - Pipestone County Backpack Program distribution date (VIM)  
Thur. 6:00 pm - Potluck and pie auction

### FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES:

August 20 - CG #7 will gather for lunch right after church at the City Park South Shelter House  
August 25-27 - Faith Fellowship Weekend  
September 6 - Kids of Grace Kickoff at the Rock River Park  
September 12 - Growing Inward-Reaching Outward Conference

### OUR CHURCH FAMILY

This morning we will celebrate the covenant baptism of Frank Stephen Feikema, son of Phil and Katie, on Sunday morning, August 13. May the Name of the Lord be praised!

### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The upcoming Classis Minnkota meeting will be taking place on September 14 in Volga, SD. Volga CRC is calling a new minister and he will be examined on that day. Please pray for Volga CRC, their candidate, and for the business of classis.

The nominations process for Office Bearers is starting again. Nominations can be turned into your Care Group Elder or given to members of the Executive Committee (Ryan Blom, Ron Nykamp, Greg Talsma, Phil Feikema or Pastor Scott). Please pray for those whom the Lord is calling to lead His bride, the church through the offices of Elder and Deacon. A separate sheet related to nominations will be in your church mailboxes. The deadline for submitting nominations is Sunday, August 27th.

### SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Last school year, SWC was blessed with a chapel and visit from Margaret Njuguna, who started the EnGedi Children's Home in Kenya after serving as a missionary through CRWRC/Resonate for many years. She is currently a missionary supported by 1st CRC, Edgerton and Edgerton Reformed Church. At the end of chapel, she extended an invite for SWC students to visit and experience this

ministry with her. The invite soon developed into a Christmas Break/Winterim idea. After prayerful reflection and planning, there are now 12 SWC students and 4 adults who will be serving with Margaret and experiencing Kenya from Dec 27-Jan 9. While much of the expense will remain with the students and adults attending, they have planned a couple of opportunities to raise support while serving our own community. Please join us for a Free Will Donation Supper on August 14th from 6-7:30pm. It will be behind the SWC Elementary school by the playground. There will also be games, activities, and crafts for kids and adults to participate in that represent different countries from around the world. These will be available from 6-8:30pm. We hope to see you there!

A Prayer-Walk will be held as SWC staff prepares for the upcoming school year. All are invited to join us on Monday, August 21 from 9-10am beginning at the Elementary Campus. This time is set aside for individuals from within the community to pray specifically for the staff and students while walking around both facilities. Walk and pray at your own pace. The school theme this year comes from Hebrews 12:1-3 "Run the Race". We'd love to have you join us. Call Kendra Kuipers with any questions at 507.227.0488

Southwest MN Christian Schools will begin the 2023-2024 school year with its first day of classes on Thursday, August 24 for both the high school and elementary campuses. We will begin the day with chapel at 8:30am in the elementary gym and everyone is welcome! Preschool 3's will begin on Tuesday, September 5 and Preschool 4's will begin on Wednesday, September 6. Listed below are other important dates we'd like to highlight. Remember to check the calendar along with News & Announcements on our school website at [www.swcschools.org](http://www.swcschools.org) for additional information and events as they become available. The theme at SWC this school year will be "Run the Race", focusing on Hebrews 12:1-3. SWC is grateful and excited for the opportunity to teach PK-12 students on fixing our eyes on Jesus and to be guided by his Word! We ask for your prayerful support as SWC continues to challenge students to be rooted in Christ, to grow in wisdom, and to bear fruit to the glory of God.

The Annual SWC Tractor Ride will be held on Saturday, September 9. We'll be starting at the Jasper City Park. Rolls and coffee will be served beginning at 8:30am. We'll hit the road at 9:30am and as we get into Edgerton, we will parade around Edgebrook. A noon meal will be served at the SWC high school cafeteria. We will then continue our ride which will conclude at Terry Rodman's windmill collection where coffee and fresh ollie bollen will be served! This event is free will donation - a donation box will be available at each location. If you can only ride part of the ride, or you don't have a tractor but would like to join in the parade, take your pick-up or UTV. You are also welcome to just come for the noon meal and see the tractors, or just come to the windmill collection and have afternoon coffee. With questions or to pre-register, call Kendra Kuipers at 507-227-0488.

### **COMMUNITY & MISC**

This evening, August 13, Pastor Jack Vanden Heuvel will share a sight/sound slide program entitled "Summer" after the evening service at Bethel CRC, Edgerton. Photography with narration and music will feature much interesting nature photography, including the prairie, birds,

butterflies, the monarch migration, the hummingbird migration, and people. All are invited! It is an hour long and will begin at 7:45pm

The Pipestone County Backpack Program distribution date is Wednesday, August 16 from 10-4 at the VIM Thrift Store in Pipestone. Thank you for sharing the love of Jesus by helping with school supplies and notes of encouragement to students! If you don't find a backpack to fill in your church, please consider purchasing school supplies or monetary donations. Please return to the VIM Thrift Store by the August 16 distribution date. Questions, call 507-215-0155. Thank you. Also, the VIM Thrift Store is asking for donations of brown paper bags for their daily bag sales.

ATLAS for Life invites men and women to join us for "Teaching on the Tabernacle" as it relates to prayer with a seminar at the ATLAS for Life Pipestone office – 101 2<sup>nd</sup> St NE on Friday, August 25 (6:00-9:00 pm with light snack served) and Saturday, August 26 (9:00 am – 4:00 pm - morning snack and noon lunch provided). Over the course of this weekend, Laura Ballard will present the Priesthood of the Believer as it relates to prayer and intercession. The Tabernacle is the pattern God gave Moses on Mount Sinai to enter into the Presence of the Lord. Each piece of furniture in the Tabernacle is a revelation of Jesus Christ and is useful in calling us into a deeper prayer life as we enter His presence. Please RSVP by Monday, August 21 for this exciting event by calling the ATLAS office – 507.562.5777 (please leave a message if you don't reach us). If you would be able to help with the snacks or the noon meal by serving or providing food, also please call the ATLAS office. Thank you and we hope to see many of you at this event!

Join us Tuesday, September 12 at Bethel CRC in Sioux Center for the Growing Inward-Reaching Outward conference for men and women. Best-selling author, Carol Kent's life turned upside down when their only child was sentenced for murder. Carol shares from God's Word and her family's life experience in growing an enduring faith and impacting the world for Christ. Registration and more information can be found at [Bibleleague.org/tickets](http://Bibleleague.org/tickets).

## MEMBERS IN SERVICE

### TODAY:

Nursery: AM – Dana H, Beth S, Alisha E, Thea N, Raelyn S, Lydia T  
PM – Tanya T, Kim V, Shelbi K, Kinley S

Valet: Darrin DK

Ushers: Logan B, Tyson B, Lester S, Steve E

Sound: Jesse VH

Video: Luis R

Projection: Orey F, Jody DK

Medical Assistant: Carmen F

Children's Worship: Jackie W, Ellia VD

Praise Team: Jayden B, Hannah M, Brooklyn T, Lydia T, Victoria P

Keyboard: Kaitlyn S

### NEXT WEEK – AUGUST 20:

Nursery: AM – Marshall & Tawni P, Kirk & Megan B, Judd P, Tage M  
PM – Brigitte P, Lori S, Clara T, Jayden B

Valet: Mark S

Ushers: Logan B, Tyson B, Lester S, Steve E

Sound: Mark B

Video: Kevin VH

Projection: Jan/Jonathan

Medical Assistant: Barb O

Children's Worship: Alisha E, Blaire T

## 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