

THE LORD'S DAY – SEPTEMBER 24, 2023
MORNING WORSHIP - 9:30 A.M.
Led by: Pastor Lee Christoffels

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

*Call to Worship: Isaiah 44:6-8

*God's Greeting

*Opening Song: 68 *"Let God Arise and By His Might"* (v. 1,6)

God's Standard of Righteousness: Deuteronomy 4:1-2

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon – Deuteronomy 7:6-8

*Hymn of Thanksgiving: #384 *"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"*

Scripture: Job 25-26

Sermon: *"The Outskirts of God's Ways"*

Prayer of Application

The Lord's Supper – pp. 973 (second column) - 975

*Hymn: #297 *"O Come, My Soul, Sing Praise to God"* (v.1-3)

Congregational Prayer and Prayer for the Offering (Benevolence)

Offering

*Benediction

*Doxology: #146 *"Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah!"* (v. 4)

Postlude

Next Sundays Offering: Christian Education

THE LORD'S DAY – SEPTEMBER 24, 2023
EVENING WORSHIP – 6:30 P.M.
Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Prelude

Welcome & Silent Prayer

Expression of Dependence: Psalm 18:30-31

Pastor: As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is flawless. He is a shield for all who take refuge in him.

People: For who is God besides the LORD? And who is the Rock except our God?

*Call to Worship: Matthew 11:28-30

*Opening Song of Honor: #238 *"We Come, O Christ, to You"* (v. 1, 3-5)

Responsive Bible Reading: Psalm 45:1-9 (p. 883)

Prayer of the Lord's People

*Song of Gratitude: *"In Christ Alone"*

Reformed Confession: The Belgic Confession, Article 32 (selected portion)

Scripture: Revelation 1:4-6; Matthew 28:18-20

Sermon: *"Who's in Charge Around Here?"*

*Song of Response: *"Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"*

Prayer for the Offering (Benevolence)

Offertory: *"Take My Life and Let It Be"* - Lydia Talsma

*Confession: The Apostles' Creed

*Benediction

*Closing Song: #621 *"The God of Abraham Praise"* (v. 4)

SERMON NOTES – SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

THE OUTSKIRTS OF GOD'S WAYS

Text: Job 25-26

WHO'S IN CHARGE AROUND HERE?

Text: Revelation 1:4-6;
Matthew 28:18-20

REFORMATION MATTERS "Christ did not merely leave [his disciples] promises on which their memories might feed, and words which they might call to mind; he mercifully provided an ordinance in which true faith might be quickened by seeing lively emblems of his body and blood, and in the use of which believers might be strengthened and refreshed. The strengthening of the faith of God's elect in Christ's atonement was one great purpose of the Lord's Supper." - J.C. Ryle (1816-1900) in *"Knots Untied"*

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES:

Today	9:30 am	- Morning Worship
	10:40 am	- Kids praise, Sunday school, catechism
	11:00 am	- Choir
	6:30 pm	- Evening Worship
Wed.	9:30 am	- Coffee Break
	6:00 pm	- Kids of Grace
		- Cadet Season Kickoff Night (Rock River Park)
	6:30 pm	- GEMS
		- Evening Coffee Break
	7:45 pm	- Adult Bells
Thurs.	9:30 am	- Christian Fellowship (lesson: Intro of new book, <i>Women of the O.T.</i>)

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES:

October 11 - First Regular Cadet Meeting at Bethel CRC Edgerton

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Next Sunday evening, Adam Ramirez will be leading and preaching during our evening worship. This will be in fulfillment of the requirements for his examination in Classis Minnkota as a commissioned pastor.

We grieve with and offer our prayers for Rollie and Grace Schelhaas, along with their family members, after the recent death of their daughter, Beverly Cother of Spirit Lake. May the Lord make his face shine on the family, giving them his grace and peace at this time.

We rejoice with Colin and Rebecca Vis as they celebrate the birth of their new daughter, Tabitha Rose Vis. We praise the Lord who is good and does good (Ps 119:68).

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

This morning we have the joy of celebrating the Lord's Supper together. If you are a member in good standing in a Christian, Bible-believing church, we welcome you to participate with us this morning.

The Council is seeking an individual who desires to fill the Church Secretary position. This role includes but isn't limited to producing and printing the weekly bulletin, creating multiple quarterly schedules, setting up the weekly power points, ordering office supplies, editing the website, etc. Please contact Ryan Blom or Ron Nykamp if you are interested in filling this position.

Men's Society season is upon us. If you are interested in joining us for Bible Study (the Book of John) two Tuesday evenings per month, and, if you have any questions, please feel free to call or ask Rolland Schelhaas (442-6893) or Bud Vis (442-4771) and then state your intention to join us if you wish. We need to know by Sept. 30 so we can order a study book for you.

We are excited to welcome our missionaries Bill and Aletha Green, along with students from their Christian school, to Edgerton on October 11-19! They will get a chance to live in Christian homes in the U.S. and practice their English, and we will have the opportunity to learn from them about life in Costa Rica. Please see the insert in your mailbox about ways that you can pray, give, and help out while they are here. Contact Shawna Sjaarda (507-227-5970) or Jana Top (641-780-9884) if you are willing!

Looking for a way to give generously of your time in a way that will impact many who need help? Volunteers in Mercy Thrift Store in Pipestone is undergoing an organizational store REDO and is in need of MANY volunteers of all ages - guys, ladies and teenagers! We need willing hands who like to organize, sort winter clothes, clean, paint, fix things, decorate, haul furniture, and more. Volunteers in Mercy is a nonprofit, Christian community assistance ministry that assists people who are hurting or in need. Proceeds from the store are used to help local families who need extra support of all kinds. Get a group of friends together to volunteer some day or evening that works for you! We are specifically looking for helpers all of September. Contact Jill Talsma or Erin Van Hulzen (507-227-7951) to join the fun!

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SWC K-12 GRANDPARENTS DAY OCTOBER 4!

We are all looking forward to this special event for Grandparents/Special Friends of our students on October 4! **This year's Grandparents/Special Friends Day is different from years past! Be sure to read the following:**

*K-12 Grandparents will begin their morning **at the HIGH SCHOOL** where you can enjoy coffee, juice and a snack beginning at 8:15.

*From 9:00 - 10:15 there will be a Grandparents Day concert performance **at the HIGH SCHOOL** involving ALL K-12 students. We are hoping the concert can be live streamed.

*Beginning at 10:30, Grandparents may begin visiting **HIGH SCHOOL classrooms**.

*Beginning at 10:40, Grandparents may begin visiting **ELEMENTARY classrooms** and

the **5th Grade Wax Museum**. Special activities are planned in the classroom for students and their Grandparents to enjoy!

*Between 10:40 and Noon, Grandparents may sign out their grandchildren from the classrooms and since no hot lunch will be served, they can be taken home for lunch or out to lunch to enjoy some time together.

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COMMUNITY & MISC

Wednesday, Sept. 27 (6 P.M.) at the Rock River Park. Cadet Season Kickoff Night with games for Cadets and Hot Dog Roast for Cadets, parents, and siblings. Bring hot dog roasting sticks, everything else is provided. Cadets do *not* wear your cadet shirt to this event.

Do you enjoy listening to inspirational Christian music? If so, please mark your calendars for "An Evening of Praise" on October 6. Bible League International (BLI) Ambassadors are sponsoring a music concert at the B. J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt University in Sioux Center, Iowa beginning at 7 p.m. The groups that will be performing are Four for Him, the Klaasens, and Ensemble Royale. There will also be a featured six-handed piano arrangement performed by Trio BDT. A free will offering will be taken for BLI. This year BLI is celebrating its 85th anniversary. Every \$5.00 raised will cover the cost of putting a Bible written in a language that they can understand in the hands of people around the world. Please invite your friends and family to "An Evening of Praise." Everyone is welcome!

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

TODAY:

Nursery: AM – Myah J, Jorja H, Sydni VH, Hartley B, Megan B, Jessica S

PM – Becky S, Shawnie V, Tyler S, Clint S

Valet: Nathan S

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

Sound: AM: Mark B PM: Ray S

Video: Kevin VH

Projection: Kirk VH

Medical Assistant: Barb O

Children's Worship: Communion

NEXT WEEK – OCTOBER 1

Nursery: AM – Steven & Kala T, Shannon N, Ashley S, Jonathan S, Nilson VH

PM – Cindy S, Kaitlyn Sche, Clayton B, Ryan P

Valet: Coleton H

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

Video: Jacob M

Projection: Orey F/Jody DK

Medical Assistant: Brenda K

Children's Worship: Andrea L & Hartley B

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