

THE LORD'S DAY – NOVEMBER 26, 2023
MORNING WORSHIP - 9:30 A.M.
Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1

*Opening Song of Adoration: #244 *"God Himself Is with Us"*

Standard of Righteousness: Deuteronomy 6:4-5

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Mark 10:45

*Song of Thanksgiving: *"How Deep the Father's Love For Us"*

Scripture: Acts 10:23b-48 (p. 1709)

Sermon: "The Global Gospel"

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Prayer of the Lord's People

Offering: Benevolence

Song of Response: #489 *"When Peace Like a River"*

*Benediction & Dismissal

THE LORD'S DAY – NOVEMBER 26, 2023
EVENING WORSHIP – 6:30 P.M.
Led by: Pastor Lee Christoffels

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 13:12-15

*The Lord's Greeting

*Opening Song of Praise: #258 *"Sing to the Lord of Harvest"*

Confessional Reading: Canons of Dort, I, Art. 8-9 "Election Not Based on Foreseen Faith" – p. 928

Congregational Prayer

*Song of Thanksgiving: #442 *"Abide With Me"*

Scripture: Job 31

Sermon: "Job's Oath of Innocence"

*Song of Response: *"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"*

Offertory Prayer (Benevolence)

Offering and Offertory: *"O Little Town of Bethlehem"* – Nicole Sjaarda

*Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

*Benediction

*Doxology: #96 *"Sing to the LORD, Sing His Praise"* (v. 1, 4)

Next Sunday's Offering: Christian Education

SERMON NOTES – NOVEMBER 26, 2023

THE GLOBAL GOSPEL

Text: Acts 10:23b-48

JOB'S OATH OF INNOCENCE

Text: Job 31

REFORMATION MATTERS: "What, then, is meekness? I think we can sum it up in this way. Meekness is essentially a true view of oneself, expressing itself in attitude and conduct with respect to others. It is therefore two things. It is my attitude towards myself; and it is an expression of that in my relationship with others...when I have that true view of myself in terms of poverty of spirit, and mourning because of my sinfulness, I am led on to see that there must be an absence of pride." - Martyn Lloyd-Jones (1899-1981), in *"Studies in the Sermon on the Mount"*

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES:

Today	9:30 am	- Morning Worship
	6:30 pm	- Evening Worship
Mon.	7:00 pm	- Men's Society
Wed.	9:30 am	- Coffee Break
	6:00 pm	- Kids of Grace
	6:30 pm	- Evening Coffee Break

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.

Christmas program practice: 3-8th grade Christmas practice today at 11:30 on the sanctuary front steps. After practice, the 5-8th graders interested in playing bells will meet.

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, Dec. 3 so we can get them send off. – Thank you, the Mission Committee

A big thank you to all those that supported our youth by coming to the Potato Supper, bringing desserts and volunteering their time. We have an amazing group of kids and we are so proud of the way they've stepped forward to work at the supper, worked at the Rake 'n Run and other ways they've helped in our community. We pray that the money you donated will be a rich blessing in the Christian walk of each one of them.

A portion of the Classis Minnkota ministry share for Christian Higher Education received during the previous year is awarded in February to Christian college students in the form of scholarship grants. Any current student attending a CRC-endorsed Christian college who completes an application form by the December 24 deadline is eligible. Contact Pastor Scott

for an application or provide him with the student's email address and a form will be emailed directly to the applicant.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The first SWC double header home game of the season is Friday, December 1! SWC Circle #10 will be serving burgers and hot dogs from 5-7:30pm. Meals include burger/hot dog, chips, bar, and beverage. Come on out for a delicious meal and enjoy some exciting basketball as the girls and boys take on Luverne!

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever! 1 Chronicles 16:34. With grateful hearts and in praise to God's faithful provision, we say THANK YOU to all who generously donated, bid, and gifted freely to the SWC Donation Sale last week! While gifts continue to be received, we would like to share with you that we have met our goal! We have received \$185,000 to date; \$9,200 transferred to tuition need, \$800 in expenses and \$175,000 in donation sale receipts. We are so blessed by our SWC family!

COMMUNITY & MISC

The Minnkota Deacons Association is seeking applicants for the Volunteers in Mercy Coordinator position effective January 1, 2024. Responsibilities include coordinating referrals from SW MN and SE SD agencies with diaconal outreach, initiating bi-monthly MDA/VIM board meetings, and submitting Classis reports and yearly newsletters. Please contact Ray Talsma at 507-227-1660.

Angel Tree: During this Holiday season, we would love to bless some families in our local community. There is an Angel Tree set up in the entryway of First Reformed Church. Please grab an ornament tag, and spread some joy to a local food shelf family. Donations can be dropped off in the tote by the tree. Donations will be accepted from November 19 - December 13. Thank you!

There will be a Red Cross blood drive at the First Christian Reformed Church in Edgerton on Tuesday, November 28 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. Anyone 16 years or older and in good health is able to donate.

CRC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Our God is a generous God. Read Psalm 36:5-9, and spend some time thinking about the abundant gifts God has lavished on us in creation and in other ways. Make a list of everything you can think of that testifies to God's generosity. If there are kids in your home, invite them to draw pictures of those things. Hang your list where you can see it often! Learn more at crcna.org/FaithPracticesProject

Groundwork: Love God By Loving One Another - Differences and disagreements are inevitable, even among Christians, because the gospel calls people of many ages, backgrounds, and experiences. Join Groundwork as we study Paul's instructions for Christian living in Romans 14-16 to discover what it looks like to live in a community and to hear the heart of Paul's message—love for God and love for each other. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Kids Corner: When We All Work Together - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Did you know that Nehemiah convinced everyone to help build a wall around Jerusalem? Together they finished the work in 52 days! This week's devotion is all about how when we trust God and work together, he can accomplish some pretty amazing things through us. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Bible story podcast "The Story of Nehemiah."

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.

"Advent in the Neighborhood" Free Webinar - How do you share the hope and peace of the gospel with your neighbors this season? Many of your neighbors might not know what Advent is, but most of them likely get into the festive spirit of Christmas. Advent is a wonderful opportunity to share the love of Christ, but how? Join us Monday, December 4 from 7-8:30 pm EST for a free webinar. Learn more and register at: www.resonateglobalmission.org/adventwebinar

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

TODAY:

Nursery: AM – Kinley S, Tabitha S, Hannah M, Hartley B, Tyler S, Judd P

PM – Thea N, Cindy S, Zackery B, Zachary M

Valet: Dave B

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

Sound: AM – Cory S PM – Ray S

Video: Kade F

Projection: Kirk VH, Blair W

Medical Assistant: Barb O

Children's Worship: No Children's Worship

NEXT WEEK – DECEMBER 3

Nursery: AM – Ben & Macy H, Jackie W, Brigette P, Kalli B, Victoria P

PM – Tanya T, Lori S, Megan B, Jessica S

Valet: Nathan S

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

Sound: AM – Dean E PM – Jesse VH

Video: Kevin VH

Projection: Orey F/Jody DK

Medical Assistant: Brenda K

Children's Worship: Becky S, Isaac S

Praise Team: Jen B, Kylee B, Vonda T, Brooklyn T, Jody S, Kaitlyn S

Keyboard: Brittany F

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

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Global Serve International
Central Asia

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