

The Lord's Day – March 31, 2024

Morning Worship - 9:30 A.M.

Led by: Pastor Lee Christoffels

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Evening Worship - 6:30 P.M.

Combined service at Bethel CRC

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

*Greeting One Another

*Call to Worship: I Corinthians 15:3-4, 20

Pastor: For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.

People: But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Pastor: People of God, Christ is Risen!

People: Alleluia! He is risen indeed!

*Opening Song of Adoration: *"See What A Morning"*

"Low in the Grave Christ Lay" #396

Standard of Righteousness: the Law of God

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: I Corinthians 15:13, 14, 20

*Song of Thanksgiving: *"I Serve a Risen Savior"*

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

Musical Offering: *"O Praise the Name"*- First CRC Choir

Scripture: Matthew 28:1-10

Sermon: "HE IS NOT HERE! HE HAS RISEN!"

*Song of Response: *"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" #388*

Prayer of the Lord's People

Offering and Offertory: *"Easter Alleluia Medley"* Katie Feikema & Nicole Sjaarda

*Benediction

*Parting Song: 400:1, 4 *"Praise the Savior"*

"Hallelujah Chorus" (Those who desire to sing the "Hallelujah Chorus" can come to the front of the sanctuary during the Parting Song)

Next Sunday's Offering: Christian Education

SERMON NOTES – March 31, 2024

HE IS NOT THERE! HE HAS RISEN!

Matthew 28:1-10

REFORMATION MATTERS: How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?" - First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he might make us share in the righteousness he won for us by his death. Second, by his power we too are already now resurrected to a new life. Third, Christ's resurrection is a guarantee of our glorious resurrection. - Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 45

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES:

Today	9:30 am	- Morning Worship
	6:30 pm	- Evening Worship- Combine with Bethel CRC
Mon	7:00 pm	- Men's Society
Wed	6:00 pm	- Kids of Grace
	6:30 pm	- Evening Coffee Break
	6:30 pm	- Youth Group
Thur.	7:00 pm	- Friendship

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We express our sympathy to and offer our prayers for Virgil Schuld after the recent death of his sister, Minnie Gale Achterhoff. May the Lord, the God of all comfort, draw near to Virgil and his family during this time.

We mourn together with Dan and Lisa Niemeyer following the recent death of Dan's father, Charlie Niemeyer of Inwood, IA. May the hearts of the Niemeyer family be lifted to see the Lord Jesus Christ, the One who is the resurrection and the life.

There will be a combined evening worship service tonight at Bethel CRC in Edgerton. The service will begin at 6:30 P.M.

There will be a profession of faith class beginning soon. If you are interested in taking part in this upcoming class, please let Pastor Scott know.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

KINGDOM KIDS PRESCHOOL at Southwest MN Christian Schools is now open for enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year and we couldn't be more excited! 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 W, Edgerton, or downloaded at our school website, swcschools.org. For more information, call the office at 507-442-6181 or email us at elementary@swcschools.org. If you'd like to tour the school and check out the Preschool area, we'd welcome you to do that as well. Come experience the difference at SWC!

COMMUNITY & MISC

The Mission Group of the Woodstock Community Church is going to be putting on a fundraiser for Alyssa and Joseph DeWeerd to help defray the cost of adoption. Alyssa is the daughter of Mike and Sue Hulstein. The fundraiser will be held on April 13 from 5-7 at the Woodstock Community Church.

Cornerstone Prison Church Council, Board and Congregation would like to invite you to our Annual Benefit Banquet Monday, April 1, 2024 at Trinity Christian Reformed Church, Rock Valley, IA. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. and the banquet begins at 6:30pm. Save your spot by Sunday, March 24 by calling Trinity CRC at 712-476-5292 or go to our website www.cornerstonepcsd.org. A free will offering will be taken as an opportunity to financially support Cornerstone's ministry. We look forward to seeing you! If you are unable to attend, you can send your donations to:

Cornerstone Prison Church
c/o Dave Vande Kamp, PO Box 88708, Sioux Falls, SD 57109, Or Donate online
at www.cornerstonepcsd.org

Pipestone County Hospice will be holding a six-week adult grief support group from April 2nd to May 7th at the Pipestone County Hospice House. Grief 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 Tuesdays from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Pipestone County Hospice House. For more information or to register, please call 507-825-6024

Join us for the 23rd Annual Pipestone County Hospice Benefit on April 5. Enjoy an evening of great food and fellowship for a great cause at the Pipestone Country Club. Social hour will start at 5:30pm with dinner being served at 6 pm. Dinner will be prepared by the Cattleman's Club, Staci's Bar and Grill, Goodies 4 U and Lingen Dairy. There will be a live auction after dinner with a raffle and silent auction taking place during the event. For any additional information, please contact 507-825-6024.

It's BACK and BIGGER- Hope Haven's BIGGEST fundraiser, the Annual Benefit Auction! Join us on Friday, April 5 at TeSlaa Trucking in Hull, IA. Help support individuals with disabilities by attending our Buy It Now opening at 5pm, followed by our live auction at 5:30pm. Choose from over 450 incredible items for all ages to bid on- John Deere Gator, Youth ATV 4-wheeler, Simplicity Lawn Tractor, South Africa Safari Hunting trip to meat bundles, electronics, power tools, trips, concerts, grills, toys/games, gift cards, and so much more! For a sneak peek of the items, check out our online catalog by visiting: www.hopehaven.org.

RSVP Today! Sister's Tea will be Saturday, April 6 at 10:00 a.m. at First Christian Reformed Church in Edgerton. Tea and other refreshments, a light lunch, and desserts are provided. Floppy hats optional! There will be a free will donation box and silent auction with proceeds benefiting Royal Family Kids Camp in Southwest Minnesota (check them out Facebook). Gather your sisters in Christ and join us for a fun morning of fellowship, encouragement, and support! For more information, visit "Sister's Tea" Facebook page. If you have any question or would like to reserve a seat(s) or a table (seats 8), please contact Ashley Stoel (507-227-6446) or Courtney Vis (507-920-2831). RSVPs are due by Monday, April 1.

Beautiful Life Conference 2024 is hosting a Teen Night for girls grades 7-12, and a Women's Conference this spring! Both events will feature speaker, writer, and radio-girl, Debbie Griffith! Debbie is an animated entertainer and a passionate encourager, activated by God's grace to help you live freely in His goodness. The Women's Conference will be Saturday, April 13 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with doors opening at 8 a.m. In addition to a great speaker, you will also experience powerful worship, meaningful connections, and even a little shopping! Breakfast and lunch are included in the registration fee. Gluten-free options will be available. Registration is \$50 per person. Girls Teen Night featuring Debbie Griffith on teen girl friendships, will be Friday, April 12 from 7-9 p.m. We would like every teen to hear about the importance of being a good friend and having good friends, so we are offering this as a FREE event to girls grades 7-12. Please register for either event at <https://arcluv.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2150113> or call the church office at (507) 283-8600. Pre-registration is REQUIRED by April 1. NO tickets available at the door. Both events will be held at American Reformed Church, 304 N Fairview Drive, Luverne, MN.

"Dunamis" Weekend- Gateways to Empowered Ministry: Whether you have reached a place in your Christian faith where it feels like you are trying to do too much on your own, or you are just hungry to learn more about the nature and work of the Holy Spirit, please join us for Dunamis Project #1- Gateways to Empowered Ministry. It is the first of six weekend events in the next 3 years, 2 weekends a year. This teaching is foundational to the teachings that follow. The focus is on worldview, what does the Bible say and the work of the Holy Spirit from a Reformed/Presbyterian and Biblical perspective. Join other believers for great worship/teaching/prayer while enjoying Swan Lake Christian Camp, Viborg SD, April 25th-28th. To find out more and/or to register, go to www.prcmi.org/events or contact Roxie Mulder at 507-227-0905 or Pastor Mike and Vicki Altena for more information at 320-226-2459.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

TODAY- MARCH 31:

Nursery: AM: Jan F, Alisha E, Brigette P, Devin S, Clayton B

PM: Megan Bley, Mindy B, Carson V, Isaac S.

Valet Parking: Dan H

Ushers: Randy F, Del VE, John V, Owen T.

Sound: Ray S

Video: Kade F

Projection: Orey/Jody

Medical Assistants: Barb O

Children's Worship: None

NEXT WEEK- APRIL 7

Nursery: AM – Christa B, Katie F, Becky S, Cami VH, Jayden B

PM – Tawni P, Lois S, Brooklyn T, Kalli B

Valet: Duane VB

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

Sound: AM – Jeff/Devin PM – Jeff/Devin

Video: Nilson VH

Projection: Jan/Jonathan

Medical Assistant: Brenda K

Children's Worship: Carmen F & Carli S

Praise Team: Jayden, Ava, Hannah, Brooklyn, Lydia, Clara, Victoria

Keyboard: Brittany F

MISSIONARIES

Margaret Njuguna

En-Gedi Children's Home,
Kenya

Sos and Kara Maletougou

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

Cornerstone Prison Church

Sioux Falls, South Dakota

CHURCH INFORMATION