

The Lord's Day – September 15, 2024

Morning Worship - 9:30 A.M.

Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Prelude - *"We Fall Down" – "It Is Well" – "The Lord is My Salvation"*

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

*Greeting One Another

*Call to Worship: Isaiah 12:5-6

*Opening Songs of Adoration: *"All Praise to Him" & "The Power of Your Love"*

Standard of Righteousness: Colossians 2:6-7

Prayer of Confession

Covenant Baptism of Lincoln Paul Top

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

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

Scripture Reading: Matthew 28:16-20 (p. 1550)

Sermon: *"Our Outward Call—Making Disciples"*

*Song of Response: *"By Faith"*

Preparatory Reading for the Lord's Supper

Prayer of the Lord's People (Offering: Christian Education)

Offering Song: *"Our God Will Go Before Us"*

*Benediction

*Parting Song: *"The Blessing"*

*Postlude: *"Our God Reigns"*

Next Sunday's Offering: Benevolence (Communion)

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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 4:9-11

*The Lord's Greeting

*Opening Song of Praise: 557 *"My Jesus, I Love Thee"*

Reading: Canons I: Rejection of Errors, Par. VI-VII (p.932)

Congregational Prayer

*Song of Thanksgiving: 452 *"He Leadeth Me"*

Scripture: Mark 2:23-3:6

Sermon: THE LORD OF THE SABBATH

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

Offertory Prayer

Offering and Offertory: Christian Education

"For the Beauty of the Earth" – Vera Prouty

*Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (p. 813)

*Benediction

*Doxology: 620 vs. 3 *"By the Sea of Crystal"*

SERMON NOTES – September 15, 2024

**Our Outward Call—Making Disciples
Matthew 28:16-20**

**The Lord of the Sabbath
Mark 2:23-3:6**

REFORMATION MATTERS: "Our holiness consists in our suitability to the nature of God. Hence the saints are said to partake of the divine nature, which is not partaking of his essence, but his image (2 Peter 1:4). Herein is the saints' holiness, when they are lively pictures of God. They bear the image of God's meekness, mercifulness, heavenliness; they are of the same judgment with God...they love what he loves, and hate what he hates." - Thomas Watson, in *"A Body of Divinity"*

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES:

Today 9:30 am - Morning Worship
10:45 am - Kids Praise until 11:05
- Sunday School & Catechism
11:00 am - Choir
6:30 pm - Evening Worship
Tue 7:00 pm - Consistory
Wed 9:30 am - Coffee Break and Story Hour
6:00 pm - Kids of Grace meeting at Runals
6:30 pm - Youth Group Kick off
6:30 pm - Evening Coffee Break in Council Room
7:45 pm - Bells will meet in the old council room. New players always welcome!

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES:

Sept. 25 6:00 pm - Cadet Hot-dog and Games night at Rock River Park
6:30pm - GEMS
Sept. 29 11:45 am - All Church Potluck
Oct. 2 6:30pm - Youth Group Large group meeting- Jonah 1
Oct._9 6:30pm - First regular Cadet meeting at Bethel CRC

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- This morning, we have the joy of witnessing the covenant baptism of Lincoln Paul Top, son of Cody and Carrie. May the Lord grant his people much encouragement through the gospel made visible in the waters of baptism.
- Lord willing, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper next Sunday morning together as a church family. Please take time this coming week to reflect on the gospel of grace that comes to us in the crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ.
- We express our sympathies to the family of Fred Vander Kolk after his recent death. Our prayer is that the Lord Jesus, the One who is the resurrection and the life, will be near to the family with great comfort in the days and weeks ahead.
- Sunday School Announcement: Due to large class sizes and space constraints we can no longer offer Sunday School to kids younger than four. If you have a child turning 4 in 2024 they are welcome to join the preschool class. All 3 year olds are encouraged to come to Kid's Praise, the time of singing after church in the basement with Priscilla. Singing will be over at 11:05 and parents are asked to come downstairs to pick them up at that time.
- Do you have a little one that uses the nursery or enjoy watching little kids? Would you consider

donating your time a few Sundays a year to help in the nursery? If you could be a blessing in this way, please contact Kim (info on the back of the bulletin).

Listed below are the teachers and classrooms for each grade

Sunday School:

Preschool(4&5 year olds): Courtney Vis basement room 4

Kindergarten: Alisha Ekkel basement room 2

1st Grade: Andrew Top basement room 3 (old kitchen)

2nd Grade: Wanda Miersma basement room 5 (old stage)

Catechism:

3rd and 4th: Grant Vis basement room 1 (old youth room)

5th and 6th: Ron Nykamp/Duane Baker NE conference room (old council room)

7th and 8th: Ryan Blom Council room

9th and 10th: Greg Talsma NE classroom (old library)

11th and 12th: Pastor Scott in his study

- Today is the day! If you love to sing, please join us in the choir room this morning at 11:00! Grab some refreshments after the morning worship service and then come and learn the songs we will be singing in praise to our faithful savior, Jesus Christ!
- Women's Bible Study – All women are invited to “Behold & Believe” as we take a closer look at what Jesus says about himself. Jesus describes himself as the bread of life, the light of the world, the good shepherd, and more. His bold “I AM” statements invite us to behold him—and then to trust him. The study will include teaching videos on 7 “I Am” statements as well as a study guide. Coffee Break will begin September 18, 2024 at First Christian Reformed Church.
- The Morning Group will meet at 9:30 in the Fellowship Room with Story Hour and nursery provided. The evening Group will meet at 6:30 in the Council Room (No Story Hour or nursery). Whether you are a Christian who needs to behold Jesus again and again or someone who is curious about Jesus and wants to explore Christianity, this study is for you!
- The elders would like to remind and encourage the congregation to use the wooden prayer request box in the back of our church. The requests shared will be included in the prayers of the elders and Pastor Scott. This box will be checked weekly.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Do you have an hour available on Friday mornings? Come join Moms in Prayer. We meet each Friday morning throughout the school year, starting August 23. We meet at 8:15 at SWC High School. We pray over our school, students, teachers and staff. We'd love for you to join us. This is open to all moms, no matter the age of your kids. Join us each week, or whenever a Friday morning works for you. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Kimber Van Essen at 507-220-3465

COMMUNITY & MISC

- There will be a Red Cross blood drive at the First Christian Reformed Church in Edgerton on Monday, September 16, 2024 from 12:30 until 6:30. Please call Betty at 507-227-8416 or fbhuisken@gmail .com to make or to confirm an appointment. We are always looking for news donors. There is an urgent need for blood. Every 2 seconds someone/somewhere in the U.S.A. is in need of blood. Anyone 16 yrs (with parents permission) or older and in good health is able to donate.
- Word & Deed is hosting a potluck featuring Pastor Yonson Dethan, director of Word & Deed's partner, Reformasi, in Indonesia. Reformasi provides Reformed Christian education in numerous schools in

Indonesia. They recently acquired a local university where they now teach from a Reformed worldview. Come hear how the Lord is working in Indonesia. This will take place on Saturday, Oct. 5 @ 6 pm at Christ Reformed Church (400 E. 41st St. Sioux Falls, 57105).

- Registration will be closing soon for Mid-America Reformed Seminary's 2024 Center for Missions and Evangelism Conference! Be sure to sign up by Friday, October 4, mark your calendars for October 11-12, and join us at Bethel Church in Lansing, IL, to be inspired by plenary speakers sharing insights on reaching our local communities and the nations with the gospel message. Discover more details at midamerica.edu/cme/conference.
- **Justice For All** invites you to attend the **Annual Meeting on Tues, Oct 22 at 5:00PM at the Rock Valley Event Center**. Along with the business meeting a delicious meal will be served. Because of the historic flood in June, JFA will not hold their fall auction so that many businesses and individuals who generally donate towards the auction can continue to get back on their feet. In place of the auction, JFA will host a panel of area ministries who will share their ministry but also how through collaboration, many needs continue to be met in our local area. **Reservations for the meal** can be made by calling 712-476-2804 or emailing joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org by Oct 15. Please join us as we celebrate JFA ministry over the past year and look forward to what God is calling JFA to in the next year! An offering will be taken for JFA ministry.
- Sanford Hospice-Luverne has recently reopened the Luverne Hospice Volunteer office. They are currently looking for volunteers to help provide comfort, compassion and quality end-of-life care to patients and their family members in the Luverne, Edgerton and Adrian area. Volunteers provide services within local care facilities, the Hospice Cottage and within a patient's home. If you would be willing to volunteer 1-2 hours a week and want to make a difference, they would love to have you join their volunteer family. No experience necessary; they will provide all the training you need. Please contact Carrie Overgaard, the Luverne Volunteer Coordinator, for more information at 605-501-9008 or carrie.overgaard@sanfordhealth.org.
- **JUSTICE FOR ALL** is planning the **2025 Service and Learning Opportunities** and would love to have you join one of the teams! These weeks are wonderful opportunities to serve others but also to experience and understand God's Kingdom in new and important ways! **Dates and places:** Harvest Hands Ministries, Juarez, MX – January 17-25; JVPPerkins Foundation, Jackson MS – February 1-7; Voice of Calvary Ministries, Jackson, MS - February 8-14; Grace Covenant Ministries, Annville, KY – March 1-7; Grace Reigns, Colorado City AZ – April 4-12. Each week is a wonderful opportunity of building relationships with people from a community which is very different than our own, through serving, learning, and studying God's Word together. **Nick LeLoux, Service and Learning Coordinator will be holding an informational meeting Monday, September 16, 6:30PM at the JFA Ministry Center**. If you can't make it to the meeting, but would like more information or sign up for a project, please contact **Nick at JFA 712-476-2804 or email nickl@jfa-nwiowa.org**. You can also check out our **website: jfa-niowa.org**
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MEMBERS IN SERVICE

TODAY- SEPTEMBER 15:

Nursery: AM – Alisha E, Jody S, Jana T, Nilson VH, Tyler P
PM- Becky S, Christa B, Cami VH, Ava B

Valet: Coleton H

Ushers: Josh K, Eric S, Derek F, Micah F

Sound: AM – Jeff S PM- Jeff S

Video: Kaden S

Projection: Jonathan/Kirk

Medical Assistant: Carmen F

Children's Worship: Carmen F & Raelyn S

Praise Team: Amber, Morgan, Jen, Brittany, Haley

Keyboard: Sarah B

NEXT WEEK- SEPTEMBER 22:

Nursery: AM – Jorja H, Jessica S, Myah J, Carli S, Isabel M
PM- Nicole V, Rebecca V, Raelyn S, Kinley S

Valet: Dale M

Ushers: Josh K, Eric S, Derek F, Micah F

Sound: AM – Dean E PM- Dean E

Video: Jacob M

Projection: Jon/Orey

Medical Assistant: Barb O

Children's Worship: No lesson- Communion

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

Cornerstone Prison Church

Sioux Falls, South Dakota

CHURCH INFORMATION