

The Lord's Day – October 13, 2024

Morning Worship - 9:30 A.M.

Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

*Greeting One Another

*Call to Worship: 2 Samuel 23:3-4

*Opening Songs of Adoration

#253 *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"* (v. 1, 2, 4)

#243 *"How Lovely Is Your Dwelling"*

Standard of Righteousness: Mark 5:6-7

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

*Song of Thanksgiving: #408 *"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"*

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

Musical Offering: *"The Lord Almighty Reigns"* - First CRC Choir

Scripture Reading: Psalm 47 (p. 885)

Sermon: "Let Us Exalt the LORD Together—He is King"

*Song of Response: *"Ancient of Days"*

Prayer of the Lord's People

Offering: Christian Education

*Benediction

*Parting Song: #620 *"By the Sea of Crystal"* (v. 3)

Next Sunday's Offering: Cadets

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Evening Worship – 6:30 P.M.

Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Introit: Caleb Top: *"Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee"* and Abigail Top: *"All Creatures of Our God & King"*

Welcome & Silent Prayer

Expression of Dependence: Psalm 23:4

Pastor: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

People: I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

*Call to Worship: Psalm 111:2-3

*Opening Song of Honor: #249 *"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"*

Responsive Bible Reading: Psalm 77 (p. 913)

Prayer of the Lord's People

*Song of Gratitude: #463 *"O Love of God, How Strong and True"* (v. 1, 5, 6, 7)

Scripture Reading: James 5:7-12 (p. 1885)

Sermon: "Patiently Waiting for the Lord"

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

Prayer for the Offering (Christian Education)

Offertory: Jayden Brands

*Confession of the Faith: Athanasian Creed (select portion)

Similarly, the Father is almighty, the Son is almighty, the Holy Spirit is almighty. Yet there are not three almighty beings; there is but one almighty being. Thus the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God. Yet there are not three gods; there is but one God. Thus the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord. Yet there are not three lords; there is but one Lord. Just as Christian truth compels us to confess each person individually as both God and Lord, so catholic religion forbids us to say that there are three gods or lords.

*Benediction

*Closing Song: #618 *"Jerusalem the Golden"* (v. 4)

SERMON NOTES – October 13, 2024

**Let Us Exalt the LORD Together- He is King
Psalm 47**

**Patiently Waiting for the Lord
James 5:7-12**

REFORMATION MATTERS: "It's easy to develop an attitude where we are confident that we can handle things on our own. But one use of the law is to expose our sin and show us ever more fully our need of Jesus and his righteousness. You're never able to handle the law. You're never able to grab it and run with it because it packs a wallop. You can only depend on Christ as the one who grabbed it and ran with it. Because you're in Christ, your redemption is secure." - Jack Miller, in *"Saving Grace: Daily Devotions from Jack Miller"*

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
Mon	7:00 pm	- Mens Society- in the council room
Wed	9:30 am	- Coffee Break and Story Hour
	6:00 pm	- Kids of Grace meeting at Runals
	6:30 pm	- Evening Coffee Break in Council Room
	7:45 pm	- Bells
Thur	7:00 pm	- Friendship- Unit 5, Lesson 1
Sat.	2:00 pm	- Youth Group Rake and Run

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES:

Oct. 27 -Mission Emphasis Sunday

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We grieve with and offer our prayers for Harold and Gert Jasper after the recent death of their son, James. May the risen Lord Jesus, the One who is the resurrection and the life, grant his deep comfort to the Jasper family at this time.

Prayer Warriors: Please find your prayer partner immediately after the morning service today. There are no announcements so please begin your time together right away. Plan to spend five minutes getting updates and praying together before going to catechism.

Members of Men's Society, please note that our first meeting for the season is tomorrow, Monday, evening.

Congregation of First CRC, the Council brings to you the slate of nominees for next year's office bearers. This year saw a higher number of individuals who removed their names from consideration. The Consistory discussed and voted on the nominees, after which the whole Council voted to approve the slate. Then letters were sent to prospective office bearers, and an additional number of men removed their names. Also, there were a number of individuals who were unavailable to serve because of other commitments or life circumstances.

The nominees for the office of Elder are Duane Baker, Dave Brons and Ross Brands.

The nominees for the office of Deacon are Derek Fey, Greg Masselink, Tadd Prins, Nate Stoel and Andrew Top.

The final step of the nominations process will conclude, as usual, with a congregational vote at the Congregational Meeting on November 21. All names which receive a simple majority will be placed in the bag for selection after the Sunday morning worship service on November 24.

Please ask the King of the Church, Jesus Christ to guide and prosper His bride, the church, and to prepare these men “to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do”. (Eph. 2:10)

Congratulations to Adrian & Carrie Kuipers on their 70th Anniversary! We rejoice with them and thank God for the blessings He has bestowed on their marriage. Their family would like you to join us in celebrating Sunday, October 20 in the fellowship room for refreshments.

Rake and Run: It's that time of year again! Need your lawn raked? The youth group will be raking and running this Saturday, October 19. If you would like to add or remove your name from the list please call Shannon Nykamp 262-366-2379 or Alex Nykamp 507-227-9320. Have a few hours to spend with us in the glories of fall? We also need volunteers and extra trucks, trailers, and tarps.

YPS Students: Please arrive at church at 2pm on Saturday, October 19. Bring rakes, leaf blowers and tarps. We will split into groups, rake lawns, and finish with pizza at the Van Hulzens. See you there!

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Coffee Break Ministry is looking for volunteers to help out in the nursery. Would you be willing to help and give young mothers the opportunity to study God's word? Coffee Break meets on Wednesday mornings 9:30 a.m. at First CRC in Edgerton. The schedule is flexible. You can volunteer weekly, twice a month or once a month. Please contact Thea Nykamp (507-227-9513)

Are you an EMT or a registered nurse and would consider joining our Medical Assistant team? If so, please contact Kim for more details.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Come for a fun night out and watch SWC girls' volleyball team play Sioux Falls Christian on October 15: Circle #14 will be having a fundraiser supper of BBQ & Fresh pumpkin and apple Boverhof Pies! A night of volleyball, fellowship, and good food! We hope you will join us! They will be serving from 5-7 pm. Volleyball games start at 4:45 - C game, 6:00 - B game and varsity at 7:15 pm.

CLUE by Sandy Rustin will be the fall play for 9th-12th graders. This is a hilarious mystery, which will be performed on Thursday, November 7 and Friday, November 8 at the Elementary School Gym at 7:00 pm. The tale begins at a remote mansion, where six mysterious guests assemble for an unusual dinner party where murder and blackmail are on the menu. When their host turns up dead, they all become suspects. Led by Wadsworth – the butler - Miss Scarlett, Professor Plum, Mrs. White, Mr. Green, Mrs. Peacock and Colonel Mustard race to find the killer as the body count stacks up. Clue is the comedy that leaves the audience wondering ... WHO did it, WHERE, and with WHAT!

FINE ARTS NIGHT, Friday, November 8, the evening will include many different aspects of our Fine Arts program so will start a little earlier, at 6:15 pm. The night will begin with the Den Ouden writing program winners. These winners will only present and read their writings on Friday, November 8. After the readings, we will have a short intermission where you can have some dessert and wander around looking at artwork from the Art classes! After intermission, the students will present the play *Clue* by Sand Rustin again. Please join us for a night of detective work!

The Southwest MN Christian High School Circles invite you to their annual Fall Soup and Dessert Supper on Tuesday, Nov. 5. Serving time is 5:30 - 7:30 pm. Menu choices include chili, cheesy vegetable, pea and chicken rice soups, BBQ and desserts. Free will donations are gratefully accepted.

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

Pastor Bill and Sandy Vis (Bethel CRC's interim pastor) cruised around the world earlier this year. In response to many requests, a slide show has been prepared highlighting some of what they saw. It will be presented after the evening service next Sunday, October 13, at Bethel Church, beginning around 7:45.

Edgebrook Care Center is accepting candy donations for our Halloween Trick or Treating event. Please drop off all candy donations at the business office by October 25.

ATLAS for Life, Pipestone - Advance Date: Saturday, November 16 - Christmas Rummage and Boutique. Mark your calendar for this annual fundraiser with Christmas decor including wreaths and patio/porch pots!

Tim Lovelace, a multi-talented Christian comedian, musician, songwriter, and motivational speaker will be at American Reformed Church Luverne on Sunday, October 27, 3 PM. Tim has been described as the most versatile comedian on stage today. His comedy concerts are more than just a great show. He uses humor to motivate and inspire by uniquely delivering life lessons. Freewill donation will be received.

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.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

TODAY- OCTOBER 13:

Nursery: AM – Christa B, Nicole V, Rebecca V, Brooklyn T, Jayden B
PM- Lois S, Vonda T, Lydia T, Kaitlyn S

Valet: Nathan B.

Ushers: Rod C, Steve E, Tadd P, Bob S

Sound: AM – Devin S PM- Devin S

Video: Nilson VH

Projection: Kirk/Justin

Medical Assistant: Carmen F

Children's Worship: Mindy B & Jorja H

NEXT WEEK- OCTOBER 20:

Nursery: AM – Jen B, Dana H, Kaitlyn S, Kalli B, Victoria P
PM- Andrea L, Shawnie V, Tabitha S, Megan B

Valet: Mark S

Ushers: Rod C, Steve E, Tadd P, Bob S

Sound: AM – Corey PM- Corey

Video: Kevin VH

Projection: Orey/Jody

Medical Assistant: Barb O

Children's Worship: Mara M & Shelbi K

Praise Team: Greg, Hannah, Brian, Ava, Tadd, Victoria, Kurt, Brooklyn

Keyboard: Brittany

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

Cornerstone Prison Church

Sioux Falls, South Dakota