

The Lord's Day – March 16, 2025

Morning Worship - 9:30 A.M.

Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Prelude – *“He Knows My Name” – “Every Road” – “How Great is Our God/How Great Thou Art”*

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

*Mutual Greeting

*Call to Worship: Isaiah 12:2-3

*Opening Songs of Adoration - *“Living Hope” & “Christ Our Hope in Life and Death”*

Standard of Righteousness: Romans 13:8-10

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

*Song of Gratitude: #385 *“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”*

Musical Offering: *“Waymaker”* – Kid's Praise

Children's Message

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

Scripture Reading: John 2:1-11 (p. 1648)

Sermon: *“Faith in the Glorious Provider”*

*Song of Response: #556 *“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”*

Prayer of the Lord's People

Offering: Christian Education

Offertory Song: *“Just As I Am”*

*Benediction

*Parting Song: *“Lift High the Cross”* (v. 1)

*Postlude: *“Lift High the Cross”* (v. 3 & 7)

Next Sunday's Offering: A & K Lindemulder- Global Serve International

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Evening Worship – 6:30 P.M.

Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Prelude

Introit: *“How Great Is Our God”* – Carolyn Nykamp

Welcome & Silent Prayer

Expression of Dependence

Pastor: I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where does my help come?

Congregation: Our help is in the Name of the LORD, Maker of heaven and earth.

*Call to Worship: Psalm 96:1-3

*Opening Song of Honor: #181 *“Exalt the LORD, His Praise Proclaim”*

Bible Reading: John 16:5-15 (p. 1678)

Prayer of the Lord's People

*Song of Thanksgiving: *“Arise, My Soul, Arise”* – Trinity Hymnal #305

Scripture Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:19-28 (p. 1841)

Sermon: *“What's the Lord Up To in My Life?”*

*Song of Response: #568 *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”*

Prayer for the Offering

Offertory: *“Softly and Tenderly” & “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”* – Ruby Muilenburg

*Confession of the Faith: The Apostles' Creed

*Benediction

*Closing Song: #560 *“Like a River Glorious”* (v. 1)

SERMON NOTES – MARCH 16, 2025

**“Faith in the Glorious Provider”
John 2:1-11**

**“What’s the Lord Up To in My Life:
1 Thessalonians 5:19-28**

REFORMATION MATTERS: "It is not enough for us to know that Jesus is great and good; it is not enough for us to know that he was instrumental in the creation of the world and that he is now seated on the throne of all being. These things are indeed necessary to faith, but they are not all that is necessary; if we are to trust Jesus, we must come to him personally and individually with some need of the soul which he alone can relieve. That need of the soul from which Jesus alone can save is sin...your sin and mine." - J. Gresham Machen, in *"What is Faith?"*

THIS WEEK’S OPPORTUNITIES:

Today	9:30 am	- Morning Worship
	10:45am	- Kid’s Praise, Sunday School and 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 at Runals
	6:30 pm	- Evening Coffee Break
	6:30 pm	- Youth Group
	7:45 pm	- Bells
Thurs	7:00 pm	- Friendship

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES:

Mar 23	11:45 am	- All Church Potluck NO Sunday School or Catechism
Mar 24	7:00 pm	- Men’s Society
Mar 30		Dave Vander Meer from Word & Deed presentation
May 11		Margaret Njuguna presentation

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Classis Minnkota, at our recent meeting, selected delegates to attend Synod 2025 this June in Ontario, Canada. The delegates will be Pastor Joe Steenholdt, Pastor Scott Muilenburg, elder Dennis Kroll (Bethel CRC, Edgerton), and elder Dave De Blecourt (2nd CRC, Kalamazoo).

The elders have received and approved the membership transfer of Seth and Brittany Forness, along with their children Annika and Levi, from Christ the King Free Lutheran Church in Pipestone. Please be sure to welcome the Forness family into our church family here at First!

The family of Linda Schelhaas wishes to thank everyone for their sympathy, prayers, flowers, memorials, food, and cards. Thank you to Pastor Scott & Pastor Lee for their visits. The Christian love shown to us from everyone is truly a blessing.

Thank you so much for all the visits, prayers, and all the food brought after Pete’s surgery. It was appreciated so much. – The Boer Family

We wish to thank you for the concern, delicious food and mostly for the many prayers for Ron and our family after Ron's brain injury. We feel very blessed that as difficult as it was, we received the support that was so needed. Ron continues to make progress, does too much and tires easily. But, God is so good and prayer is so important and appreciated. Thank you! Ron, Stephany, Tristan, Quentin and Jordan Van Dam

We are grateful to announce that our beloved janitor, Rod Obbink, will be retiring this Thanksgiving after many wonderful years of faithful service. We thank him for his dedication and wish him all the best. We are now seeking a new janitor to serve our church. If interested, please contact Corey Vis or Dave Brons for more details.

Looking for a faithful way to serve our church? Our dedicated work group coordinators, Karen Fey and Gloria Roemeling, are stepping back from their roles and would love the opportunity to train the next coordinators. We deeply thank them for their commitment and contributions. We are now looking for new coordinators to step into these roles. If interested, please contact Karen or Gloria for more information.

Reminder: We will be having our all church pot luck on Sunday, March 23. You will find information in your church mailboxes. Because there is no Sunday School and Catechism on the 23rd because of Spring Break at school, we will be starting the pot luck a little bit earlier at 11:30.

In search of: Nursery Volunteers! If you are willing to help out (male or female, young or old) in the nursery, please let me know. With several new/expectant mothers, we are running a little short on help. If you are willing to help, please talk to me as soon as possible so that I can get you added to the schedule. Thanks! Kim

Coffee Break will meet March 19 and April 2. There is no Coffee Break March 26 due to spring break at the schools. April 2 is the last session for this season for morning Coffee Break.

ROYAL FAMILY KIDS CAMP SWMN is in need of several children's books that fit our camp theme, to be used for bedtime reading, and we also need some fidget/calming items for our social workers to use with campers. These items are compiled on an Amazon wish list for anyone who would like to contribute to camp. Just go to Amazon, click Registry - Find a Registry and type Royal Family Kids Camp SWMN in the search bar then select Gift List. Click on Book Wish List for Camp! and you will be able to select a book or calming item to purchase. Gifts may be given to any camp director, or dropped off at Insurance Services in Edgerton. Thank you so much for your support of this valuable mission!

Word & Deed Prayer Update - South Africa South Africa continues to struggle with unemployment, poverty, the lingering effects of apartheid, and the pervasive challenges of HIV/AIDS. Our partner, Nakekela Clinic, serves an area where an estimated 80% of the population is infected with this virus. Clinic staff speak the truth of God's Word, pray, counsel, bandage wounds, administer medications, and provide therapy. Please pray for the Home-Based Care team workers who go door to door serving patients in their homes. Pray that the training they do in schools and churches would prompt changes in hearts and habits and that God would raise up a new generation to live for Him. Our Coast to Coast

Bike-a-thon, being held on June 7, will raise funds for our projects in South Africa. Visit wordanddeed.org/bikeathon for more details.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

KINGDOM KIDS PRESCHOOL at Southwest MN Christian Schools is open for enrollment for the 2025-2026 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 or would like to check out the Preschool area, we'd welcome you to do that as well!

The Southwest MN Christian High School Circles invite you to their annual Spring Soup and Dessert Supper on Tuesday, March 18. 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.

Peter Pan – coming to a gym near you! SWC 7th-12th grade drama students are working hard on their musical. *It* is one of the most beloved and frequently performed family favorites of all time. *Peter Pan* is the perfect show for the child in all of us... who dreamed of soaring high and never growing up. ***Tickets will go on sale March 17 for the show on April 3, 4, and 5 at 7:00 pm or tickets will be available at the door on those evenings also!***

Save the date - Black and Gold Banquet will be Saturday, April 12, 2025. Social hour begins at 5:45, devotion & dinner at 6:15, followed by entertainment and dessert! SWC is so excited to welcome Slap Happy Comedy. The dynamic duo of Erik and Adam bring high energy, hilarious and interactive improvisational comedy to each event. With the help of the audience, they create comedy together that is fresh, fun and like one big happy family! Visit www.slaphappycomedy.com to learn about them and see them in action. Join us for a night of delicious food and laughter - reserve your spot today! You can reserve seats at a table or fill up a table of 8! If you are interested in hosting, would like to reserve seats, or need more information about the event contact Ashley at 507-442- 4471 or email at astael@swcschools.org. Please RSVP by Monday, March 31, 2025

April 13, 2:30 pm: Join us for the Annual Music Festival at First CRC of Edgerton. Southwest Christian's choirs, along with individual and choral groups from area churches, will present selections during this afternoon of praise. Members of the audience will be invited to join the mass choir for the Hallelujah Chorus. An offering will be collected for Southwest Christian High School (sponsored as a fundraiser by Circle #12).

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

See additional announcements on sheet in your mailbox.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

TODAY- MARCH 16:

Nursery: AM – Alex & Shannon N, Kaitlyn S, Hannah M, Megan B

PM- Christa B, Nicole V, Clara T, Shelbi K

Valet: Darrin DK

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

Sound: AM – Cory S PM – Cory S

Video: Jacob M

Projection: Jon/Jared

Medical Assistant: Brenda K

Children’s Worship: Carmen F & Jaycee K

Praise Team: Lori S, Becky S, Jody S, Vonda T

Keyboard: Karrie

NEXT WEEK- MARCH 23:

Nursery: AM – Marshall and Tawni P, Thea N, Victoria P, Blaire T

PM- Ashley S, Karen F, Myah J, Kalli B

Valet: Dan H

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

Sound: AM – Devin S PM – Devin S

Video: Kade F

Projection: Jan/Jonathan

Medical Assistant: Kim V

Children’s Worship: Kelsey S & Raelynn S.

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

A&K L.

Global Serve International
South East Asia

CHURCH INFORMATION