

**The Lord's Day – March 2, 2025**

**Morning Worship - 9:30 A.M.**

Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Prelude – Nicole Vis

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

Mutual Greeting

\*Call to Worship: Psalm 100:1-3

\*Opening Song of Adoration: #146 *"Praise the LORD! Sing Hallelujah!"*

Standard of Righteousness: Deuteronomy 5:6-21

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

\*Song of Thanksgiving: #238 *"We Come, O Christ, to You"* (v. 1-4)

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

Musical Offering: *"Holy Forever"* – First CRC Choir

Scripture Reading: John 1:43-51 (p. 1647)

Sermon: *"Following Jesus"*

\*Song of Response: *"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"* - Trinity Hymnal #1 (Old Hundredth Tune)

Prayer of the Lord's People

Offering: Edgerton Food Shelf

\*Benediction

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

**Next Sunday's Offering:** Christian Education

**The Lord's Day – March 9, 2025**

**Evening Worship – 6:30 P.M.**

Led by: Pastor LeRoy Christoffels

Introit: *"Here I am to Worship"* – Adam Schelhaas

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 – based on Psalm 76:1-3, 11-12

\*The Lord's Greeting

\*Opening Song of Praise: 249 *"Holy, Holy, Holy"*

Reading: Canons II (Par. I-III) *"Christ's Death and Human Redemption"* (p.935)

Congregational Prayer

\*Song of Thanksgiving: 479 *"I Will Sing of My Redeemer"*

Scripture: Ezekiel 24

Sermon: *"The Death of Ezekiel's Wife"*

\*Song of Response: 267 *"And Can It Be?"*

Offertory Prayer

Offering and Offertory: Edgerton Food Shelf

\*Confession of Faith: The Apostle's Creed (p. 813)

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: 620:3 *"By the Sea of Crystal"*

SERMON NOTES – MARCH 9, 2025

“Following Jesus”  
John 1:43-51

“The Death of Ezekiel’s Wife”  
Ezekiel 24

**REFORMATION MATTERS:** "Your troubles do not rest on your shoulders. You are living in a really big, confusing world where there is trouble, but you are in a relationship with an even bigger God who is in charge of his world. He has a purpose for you in every situation where there is trouble: God is calling you to be constructive in a very small corner of his world...Think globally by remembering every day that God is in charge of the world, and he is watching over his sheep. And then act locally by asking God each day to show you what small, constructive thing he is calling you to do." - David Powlison, in *"Take Heart: Daily Devotions to Deepen Your 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
Mon	7:00 pm	- Men’s Society- Lesson 9
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	- Cadets
		-GEMS- Mother/Daughter night
	7:45 pm	- Bells
Thurs	9:30 am	- Christian Fellowship
	7:00 pm	- Friendship

**FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES:**

Mar 19	6:30 am	- Youth Group
Mar 23	11:45 am	- All Church Potluck

• **CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- We grieve with and offer our prayers for Bob Schelhaas and his family after the recent death of Linda Schelhaas. May the Lord Jesus, the Good Shepherd, grant his sustaining help and mercy to Bob and his family at this time.
- We rejoice with Kirk and Megan Bleyenburg and their family after the birth of their son, Nolan Evan Bleyenburg. May the name of the Lord be praised for his wonderful gift of new life!
- Prayer Warriors: Please find your prayer partner after the morning service together to meet and pray in the pews
- 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
- 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!

### **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](http://swcschools.org). For more information, call the office at 507-442-6181 or email us at [elementary@swcschools.org](mailto: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!
- Southwest Christian Schools is conducting their annual Spring Building Drive. Money raised will help cover the expenses of summer projects. These projects include replacing asbestos tile in the high school hallway and a classroom, new carpet in the high school office, soccer field upgrade (1 of 2 parts), updating the bathrooms on the east end of the high school, and a small painting project on the stage at the elementary school. A detailed list of the projects and costs can be viewed by visiting <https://www.swcschools.org>. Donations can be submitted online, dropped off at either school office, or mailed to 550 W. Elizabeth St., Edgerton, MN 56128. Thank you for your continued support!
- 5th-8th Grade Winter Music Festival: Join us on Monday, March 10 at 7:00pm at Southwest Christian Elementary School for the 5th-8th Grade Winter Music Festival as students from SWC, Hills, Worthington and Free Christian schools come together in a joyful celebration of music and unity! This special event will feature instrumental and vocal large group performances, showcasing a variety of music. Come and support our young musicians as they share their talents with you!
- 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.
- Mark Your Calendars for Southwest Christian Schools 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade spring musical *Peter Pan* showing on April 3, 4, and 5. Tickets will go on sale in a few weeks along with more details!
- 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](http://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 [astoel@swcschools.org](mailto:astoel@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).

### **COMMUNITY & MISC**

- OUR CHILDREN: THE PREY OF THE PORNOGRAPHY INDUSTRY Join us as international speaker, columnist and activist Jonathon Van Maren addresses this difficult but important topic. The presentation will be

hosted by Hills United Reformed Church on Monday, March 10 at 7:30 pm in our church building at 410 S. Central Ave., Hills, Minnesota. PLEASE NOTE: This presentation on an ugly subject will contain mature content. It is not recommended for children under 13 years. FYI, Jonathon will be giving a different presentation on Tuesday morning, March 11 at SWC high school for the students there.

- Growing Hope Globally: One of our overseas partners is visiting the United States. Kenneth Barigye, the Managing Director of Mountain Harvest - a coffee company from Uganda, will be giving a presentation in Bethel CRC on Tuesday, March 11, at 6:00 p.m. with lunch to follow. Come hear how Growing Hope Globally has partnered with his company to improve life for small farmers in Uganda.
- UPCOMING ART OF MARRIAGE RETREAT: Event on March 21-23 at Inspiration Hills. This weekend retreat includes guided video lessons from Familylife's Art of Marriage curriculum as well as discussion time with other couples and activities that will strengthen marital bonds. Register online to be a part of this powerful weekend. The event will take place from 5:30 PM on Friday the 21st to 12 PM on Sunday the 23rd. The deadline for registration is March 7. The cost of registration is \$50 per couple and \$25 for couples who commute for the weekend. To register for this event or learn more, visit [inspirationhills.org/marriage](http://inspirationhills.org/marriage)
- There will be a Red Cross blood drive at the First Reformed church in Edgerton on Monday, March 24 from 12:30 to 6:30pm, Please call Betty at 507-227-8416 to make or to confirm an appointment. There is a constant need for blood. Every 2 seconds someone/somewhere in the U.S.A. needs blood. Anyone 16 yrs. or older and in good health is able to donate.
- Avera@Home Pipestone will be having a benefit with auction at the Pipestone Country Club on March 29, 2025. Dinner will be prepared by the Pork Producers, Staci's Bar and Grill, Goodies 4 U, and Lingen Dairy. Social hour to begin at 5:00 with Dinner starting at 6:00pm. See the flyer on the information table in the back of church for contact and ticket information.
- Cornerstone Prison Church Council, Board and Congregation would like to invite you to our Annual Benefit Banquet, Monday, April 7, 2025 at Trinity Christian Reformed Church, Rock Valley, IA at 6:30 p.m. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. Save your spot by Sunday, March 30 by calling Trinity CRC at 712-476-5292 or go to our website [www.cornerstonepcsd.org](http://www.cornerstonepcsd.org). Join us for an evening of praise to celebrate 20 years of God's faithfulness inside the SDSP. 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](http://www.cornerstonepcsd.org)
- MIK+ YOUNG ADULTS (19-29 year old singles) is a sister ministry to MIK Youth (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades and 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades). Both of these ministries are supported by three Christian Reformed Classis (Minnkota, Lakota and Heartland). MIK Youth has been around a long time, but MIK+ Young Adults is NEW! We are still trying to get the word out about this awesome ministry opportunity for our young adult singles in our regional CR Churches. MIK+YOUNG ADULTS....Here is the tentative schedule for the next 2 months. Be watching for more info and updates! If you'd like to be added to my text list, text Lee DeGroot at 712-470-4244 and give him your name. Saturday March 1 – ACTIVITY- Waiting to hear back from RJ Golf in Sioux Center. More information coming soon. Saturday, March 22- Bible Study (Leviticus) at Hull 1<sup>st</sup> CRC Youth Building. Saturday, April 5 – Activity – Planning on reserving Escape Rooms in Sioux Falls. Will need to RSVP in advance to pay for tickets in advance. More info coming soon. Saturday, April 19 – Bible Study (Numbers) in Sioux Center Bridge of Hope CRC Youth Building.

## MEMBERS IN SERVICE

### TODAY- MARCH 9:

**Nursery:** AM – Kelsey & Jon S, Jan F, Levi VH, Caleb S

PM- Amber T, Kim VH, Ava B, Lydia T

**Valet:** Dale M

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

**Sound:** AM – Ray S PM – Ray S

**Video:** Kaden S

**Projection:** Orey/Jody

**Medical Assistant:** Barb O

**Children's Worship:** Andrea L & Vera P

### NEXT WEEK- 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

## 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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South East Asia

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