

The Lord's Day – May 11, 2025

Morning Worship - 9:30 A.M.

Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

*Mutual Greeting

*Call to Worship: Psalm 89:5-7

*Opening Song of Adoration: #465 *"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"*

Standard of Righteousness: Deuteronomy 10:12-13

Prayer of Confession

Covenant Baptism of Nolan Evan Bleyenburg

*Song of Thanksgiving: #502 *"The Church's One Foundation"* (v. 1, 2, 4)

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

Scripture Reading: John 3:22-36 (p. 1650)

Sermon: "Joy in the Savior Who's Above All"

*Song of Response: #181 *"Exalt the LORD, His Praise Proclaim"*

Prayer of the Lord's People

Offering: Christian Education

*Benediction

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

Next Sunday's Offering: Royal Family Kids Camp

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Evening Worship – 6:30 P.M.

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Prelude

Introit: *"You Are My All in All"* – Carli Schaap

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 95:1-2

*Opening Song of Honor: #556 *"Great is Thy Faithfulness"*

Bible Reading: 2 Peter 1:3-11 (p. 1893)

Prayer of the Lord's People

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

Scripture Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-12 (p. 1843)

Sermon: "Heavenly-Minded and Helpful"

*Song of Response: #291 *"May the Mind of Christ, My Savior"*

Prayer for the Offering (Christian Education)

Offertory: Lydia Talsma

*Confession of the Faith: The Nicene Creed

*Benediction

*Closing Song: #632 *"To God Be the Glory"*

SERMON NOTES – May 11, 2025

**“Joy in the Savior Who’s Above All”
John 3:22-36**

**“Heavenly-Minded and Helpful”
2 Thessalonians 1:11-12**

REFORMATION MATTERS: "When Jesus comes, often things become uncomfortable and unpleasant for us. Our sovereign Lord knows our hearts and the things in them that need to be dealt with...Therefore, if he begins to search you and get you to face up to things in your life you don't want to admit are there, the temptation is to be afraid of him. But when we submit to his testing, we find that his goal is always to do something beautiful and glorious and absolutely loving in our lives." - Jack Miller, in *"Saving Grace"*

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES:

Today 9:30 am - Morning Worship
6:30 pm - Evening Worship
Wed 6:30 pm - PM Coffee Break – Luke in the Land - Lesson 6

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES:

May 20 7:00 pm - Consistory
May 22 9:30 am - Christian Fellowship

SWC CALENDAR NEWS:

May 12: 5–12 Spring Concert at SWC High School 7:00 pm
May 22: Last Day of School - dismissal at 12:00
May 23: 2025 High School Graduation @ 6:00pm
May 26: Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast 7:30am -10:00am
June 4: SWC Society Meeting, voting, Forward On A Firm Foundation building project update 7:00pm
Aug 21: First Day of School for the 2025-2026 school year

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us this morning, directly following the morning service, in the fellowship hall to hear an update from our missionary Margaret Njuguna about her work at En-Gedhi Children's Home! This morning we have the joy of witnessing the baptism of Nolan Evan Bleyenbug, son of Kirk and Megan. We rejoice together as we see and hear the promises of the gospel made known in the waters of baptism.

We rejoice with Josh and Shelise Klumper after the birth of their son, Maverick Rowan Klumper. We give the Lord great praise for his wonderful gift of new life!

The elders have approved the membership transfers here to First CRC of Seth Fennema (Edgerton Protestant Reformed Church) and Madi Clarke (Christ Lutheran Church, Slayton). Be sure to welcome Seth and Madi when you see them!

We grieve with and lift our prayers for Jeanette Bleyenbergh after the recent death of her brother, Peter Boeve. May the Lord grant abounding comfort to Jeanette and the family in this time of loss.

Attention all parents of graduates. The council would like to recognize all of the High School, Tech School and College graduates of our church family. Please email Kirk Van Hulzen kirkvh@iw.net with the information listed below by May 19 to make the announcement flyer.

High School Graduates: Plans for after High School.

College & Tech School Graduates: School name, degree, plans for future.

Royal Family Kids Camp needs ribbon and lace for their tea party. It can be any color, width, length, with wire or unwired. RFKC girls are making headbands using ribbon, lace and small artificial flowers. If you have any of these items to donate, please put them in the church kitchen. We are also in need of fancy/old bridesmaid dresses for the girls, especially size youth medium up to adult 10-12. Dresses and ribbon may be dropped off at Insurance Services in Edgerton. Questions? Call Deb @ 507-920-0020.

Parents of Cadets: The Cadet Midwest Regional Campout is to be held July 29-August 2 near Yankton SD. The registration deadline is May 15. Please email Cal at calspronk@gmail.com to register.

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 Ron Nykamp 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.

Cornerstone Prison Church, Sioux Falls will be having a Faith Fellowship Weekend on Friday, June 20 – 6:00-8:00 pm-Kick Off Worship Service, Saturday, June 21 and Sunday, June 22 – 8:00am-3:00pm each day. The theme for the weekend is “Faithfulness of the Father”. Scripture text comes from Lamentations 3:22&23 . 22 The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; 23 they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. Join us for worship, large group talks and small group discussions. The deadline for signing up is Thursday, May 29. We would be happy to have you join us for part of the weekend or all of it. If you would like more information or to sign up, please contact us at office@cornerstonepcsd.org or call 507-215-3670. Thank you for considering this wonderful ministry opportunity!

As we see the springtime grass getting greener and leaves forming on trees, it reminds us of the new life we have in Christ. The Luke Society would like to thank First CRC for playing a role in bringing the Gospel to those hurting physically and spiritually. Your generosity is planting the seeds of new life and salvation across the globe.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join the 5th-12th grade students on Monday evening, May 12 at 7:00PM at the High School gym for their Spring Pops Concert. They will perform a variety of songs you might see or hear on stage, screen, or radio! Come and enjoy a wide range of music! The live stream link for this program is located at the very top of our school website if you wish to watch it that way or can't make it the night of the concert.

Southwest MN Christian Circle #11 invites you to their annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast on Monday, May 26 from 7:30-10:00 a.m. at the high school campus - 550 Elizabeth St. In addition to hot pancakes served right off the griddle, there will be sausages, juice, milk and coffee. Free will donations gratefully accepted.

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!

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

Vacation Bible School June 9-13: We are still in need of more adult **volunteers** to help guide our young explorers from one activity to the next. Please consider helping, VBS just isn't the same without YOU! If you are able to help, even for a few days, please contact one of your church directors! The VBS Registration tables will be taken down this week, but you are still able to register online until June 4! (No walk-ins.) The link can be found on our 'VBS - Edgerton, MN' page. Cost is \$10. We are also collecting mismatched socks with no holes, if you have any lying around for us to use for staining. Get ready for a week of discovery, fun, and following Jesus—our ultimate guide through the wild!

Edgebrook is looking for Country Store donations for the residents. The Country Store is used as an alternative for bingo candy. Listed are some ideas as to what can be donated: Lip balm, hand lotion (scented or unscented), slippers, non-skid socks, puzzle books (word search, crossword, Sudoku, large print), adult coloring books/colored pencils, playing cards/card games, calendars, notepads/pens and pretty Kleenex boxes.

The ATLAS Always Growing Greenhouse will officially open on Tuesday, April 29 on the grounds of Hubers Automotive - 805 8th Ave.! Come check out the flowers, plants...including some new varieties! Thank you, Lord, for the blessing of this fundraiser to support the many ministries of ATLAS! Save the Date: Word & Deed Coast-to-Coast Bike-a-Thon - It's that time of year again! We're gearing up for this year's Coast-to-Coast Bike-a-thon to be held on Saturday, June 7, D.V. Gather your friends and family, choose a route to bike, and raise funds for Word & Deed's projects in South Africa. We already have 9 teams registered! For more details and to register your team, go to wordanddeed.org/bikeathon. We're looking forward to having many of you participate in this year's event!

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

TODAY- MAY 11:

Nursery: AM – Logan & Morgan S, Kim VH, Kinley S, Jaycee K

PM- Thea N, Carrie Tm, Clara T, Izzy M

Valet: Darrin D

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

Sound: AM – Devin S PM – Devin S

Video: Kevin VH

Projection: Jon/Jared

Medical Assistant: Barb O

Children's Worship: Shannon N & Lily M

NEXT WEEK- MAY 18:

Nursery: AM – Ruth C, Nicole V, Kaitlyn S, Judd P, Carson V

PM- Rosann VB, Lori S, Carter B, Zachery B

Valet: Dan H

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

Sound: AM – Jeff S PM – Jeff S

Video: Kaden S

Projection: Jan/Jonathan

Medical Assistant: Nick S

Children's Worship: Macy H & Kinley S

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

Keyboard: Kaitlyn

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

A&K L.

Global Serve International
South East Asia

CHURCH INFORMATION