

**Lord's Day – May 4, 2025**  
**Morning Worship - 9:30 A.M.**

Led by: Pastor Leroy Christoffels

Prelude – *“Come, Now is the Time to Worship”, “The Lord Almighty Reigns” & “Come People of the Risen King”*

Welcome

Silent Prayer

\*Call to Worship: Deuteronomy 32:3-4

\*God's Greeting

\*Opening Songs of Adoration:     *“Christ is Mine Forevermore”*  
   *“My Life is in You Lord”*

Standard of Righteousness: The Law of God – Deuteronomy 5:6-21

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Deuteronomy 7:7-9

\*Song of Thanksgiving: #496 *“My Lord, I Did Not Choose You”*

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

Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 33:10-17, 30-33

Sermon: *“GOD'S GRACIOUS LONGING FOR SINNERS”*

Hymn of Response: *“In Christ Alone”*

Prayer of the Lord's People

Offering: Hope Haven- Edgerton

Offertory: *“Hallelujah For The Cross”*

\*Benediction

\*Parting Song: *“To Worship You”* vs 1

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

**The Lord's Day – May 4, 2025**  
**Evening Worship – 6:30 P.M.**

Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Prelude

Introit             *“This is the Day”* – Caleb Top  
                           *“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”* – Abigail Top

Welcome & Silent Prayer

Expression of Dependence: Proverbs 2:6

***Pastor:*** For the LORD gives wisdom –

***Congregation:*** And from his mouth come knowledge and understanding.

\*Call to Worship: Revelation 15:3b-4

\*Opening Song of Honor: #239 *“Amid the Thronging Worshipers”*

Responsive Bible Reading: Psalm 2:1-12 (p. 844)

Prayer of the Lord's People

\*Song of Gratitude: #612 *“Lo! He Comes, with Clouds Descending”*

Scripture Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:5-10 (p. 1842)

Sermon: *“Living Now in View of Eternity”*

\*Song of Response: *“Before the Throne of God Above”*

Prayer for the Offering

Offertory: *“Amazing Grace”* – Ava Busker

\*Confession of the Faith: The Apostles' Creed

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song: #630 *“Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God”*

**SERMON NOTES – May 4, 2025**

**“God’s Gracious Longing for Sinners”  
Ezekiel 33:10-17**

**“Living Now in View of Eternity”  
2 Thessalonians 1:5-10**

**REFORMATION MATTERS:** Reformation Matters: "Our words reach their greatest good when directed to God himself in prayer—whether privately or publicly, soberly or joyfully, spoken or sung. One day, words of petition or confession will no longer be necessary. One day, only words of praise and thanksgiving will be fitting. On that day, our heart will be eternally united with its treasure in heaven." – Craig Troxel, in *“With All Your Heart*

**THIS WEEK’S OPPORTUNITIES:**

Today	9:30 am	- Morning Worship
	6:30 pm	- Evening Worship
Mon	7:00 pm	- Council/Consistory
Wed	7:00 pm	- Youth Group – End of the Year party!
	6:30 pm	- PM Coffee Break – Luke in the Land - Lesson 5
Thur	9:30 am	- Christian Fellowship

**CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please join us next week, May 11, to hear an update from our missionary Margaret Njuguna. She will be giving a presentation about her work at En-Gedhi Children's Home directly following the morning service in the fellowship hall.

Prayer Warriors: We will have our LAST prayer warrior meeting today before breaking for summer. Please find your prayer partner in the pews to connect and talk over summer plans.

Next Sunday morning, we look forward to celebrating the baptism of Nolan Evan Bleyenburg, son of Kirk and Megan. May the Lord build up and strengthen his church as his gracious promises in the gospel are seen in baptism.

**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](mailto: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. Please put it in the church kitchen. Questions? Call Deb @ 507-920-0020.

Cadets would like to thank everyone who supported them at the recently held Pancake Supper. After expenses were paid the profit was \$2150.00!

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.

**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

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](mailto:office@cornerstonepcsd.org) or call 507-215-3670. Thank you for considering this wonderful ministry opportunity!

#### **SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please join the 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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.

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!

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!

We would love for you to join us at American Reformed Church in Luverne MN at 4:00 PM on Sunday, May 4 for an inspiring event and hear how Robin Sertell survived all odds to grow into the talented woman she is today. Robin survived three saline abortion attempts and now travels the world equipping other survivors to be a voice and share their stories. Robin has written 2 books and addresses the Civic and Social issues surrounding Pro-Life Advocacy. *You are Unique. You are Loved. Your Life has Value. What will you do with the Time God has given you?* A freewill offering will be received for Robin.

Please plan to attend Bible League's Spring Salad Luncheon with your friends on Monday, May 5 at Rock Valley First Christian Reformed Church (1401 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Rock Valley IA). Please bring one salad for every four people in your group. The Luncheon begins at 11:30 AM; featured speaker is Gayle Walhof who will tell of her 4-year journey in publishing her book “Songs of Naamah – A Novel of King David's Harem”. Updates from BLI will be given, and a freewill donation will be received. Join us for this FUN event!

## MEMBERS IN SERVICE

### TODAY- MAY 4:

**Nursery:** **AM** – Christa B, Becky S, Jan F, Raelyn S, Mara B

**PM-** Karen F, Lois S, Sawyer S, Kaden S

**Valet:** Dale M

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

**Sound:** AM – Jesse VH PM – Jesse VH

**Video:** Nilson VH

**Projection:** Orey/Jody

**Medical Assistant:** Carmen F

**Children’s Worship:** Kelly K & Isaac S

**Praise Team:** Kirk, Brad, Mark, Kurt, Greg, Seth

**Keyboard:** Karrie

### NEXT WEEK- 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

## 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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South East Asia

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