

August 2, 2015

Church Family

Order of Worship

Morning Worship - 9:30 AM

Silent Prayer
Votum and Salutation*
Psalter* 306
Reading of the Law
Reading of Scripture
Psalter 77
Pastoral Prayer
Offertory
Psalter* 245:2, 3, 5
Sermon
Prayer
Offertory
Psalter* 31:1-3, 7
Benediction*
Doxology - Psalter* 289:1, 2

**Please stand if you are able*

Sermon:

The Comfort of Eternal Life

Scripture: John 6:22-59

Text: John 6:40

Lord's Day 22

Song Service - 5:50 PM

Psalter 322: all

Psalter 68:3, 4

Evening Worship - 6:00 PM

Silent Prayer
Votum and Salutation*
Psalter* 77:1, 4, 5
Reading of Scripture
Psalter 76
Apostles' Creed
Pastoral Prayer
Offertory
Psalter* 381:1, 4
Sermon
Prayer
Offertory
Psalter* 310:1, 2, 4, 5
Benediction*
Doxology - Psalter* 306:1, 2

Sermon:

Living the Dying Life

Scripture: Romans 6:1-11

2 Corinthians 4

Text: 2 Corinthians 4:10, 11

Homebound:

Mrs. Elsie Arnoudse
Mrs. Fran Hekman
Mrs. Dorothy Hitchcock
Mrs. Barb Kwekel
Mrs. Florence Langerak
Mrs. Esther Richards
Mrs. Mina Van't Hof
Mr. & Mrs. Albert Vanden Toorn
Mrs. Gertrude VanderGraaf
Mrs. Marian VerHage

Remember in Prayer:

Mrs. Ann Baas
Mr. Trent Timmer

Serving our country:

Dan & Sarah Arnoudse family

The church family extends its *sympathy* to Jessica Vanden Toorn and family on the loss of Jessica's husband, Howard Vanden Toorn, who passed away this past Tuesday morning. May the Lord give comfort in these difficult days.

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Meditation

DYING REGRETS

Oh! If the soul, when trembling on the verge of eternity, when the last fiber of the thread of life is parting, can only look backward with tormenting regret, and forward with more tormenting doubt and despair! What a state for an immortal and accountable creature to feel the torturing conviction, that he has been trifling, or worse than trifling, all his days; that he has thrown away his life on “vanity,” and has nothing as the result but “vexation of spirit;” that it is too late to make provision for the world to come, and which is just opening to him in all its darkness and all its unknown terrors; that he has finished and sealed the “senseless bargain,” (oh, how bitterly does he feel it to be so!) of “eternity for bubbles;” that he has bartered and damned his soul for the “pleasures of sin,” and the worthless nothings of a world that has passed away from him!

It is not necessary that a man has “seen no good,” or should have had “no power to enjoy” his “riches, wealth, and honor,” and family, in order to his feeling their emptiness in his later end, when his soul is absorbed in one grand concern, and longs for peace and hope which they are incapable of imparting. Even though he had derived from them through life the whole amount of pleasure which, without the influence of true religion, it is in their power to bestow; still it is pleasure that is gone with each passing moment, and leaves the soul at last drearily desolate, and unprovided for the prospect which lies before it.

He has “received in his lifetime his good things,” and all must be left behind him; he has lived without God, and without God he must die; his life has been faithless and his death must be hopeless; he has laid up for himself treasures on earth, and there is no treasure reserved for him in heaven; he has said to his soul “Thou hast much goods laid up in store for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry;” and when “his soul is required of him,” he feels himself “a fool:” he “came in with vanity,” and he departs with darkness. It is the everlasting existence by which it is followed that stamps importance on the life of a man. Should a man double the age of Methuselah, his life (though to us, with our narrow span of threescore years and ten, it might seem a little eternity) would still be vanity, if it were spent without reference to the endless duration that is beyond it.

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Welcome

Thank you so much for coming to worship God with us today. We hope and pray that you will be blessed among us and that you also will be a blessing to us. If you have any prayer needs or if you'd like to know more about our church, one of our pastors or elders would be very happy to speak with you.

“Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;”

2 Corinthians 1:3

Congregational Life

- Today, Pastor Mark Kelderman will lead our worship services.
- Next Sunday, Pastor Murray will lead our worship services, DV.
- Next Sunday morning, the sacrament of Holy Baptism will be administered to, *Daniel Calvin*, son of Erik & Jamie Sijtsma.
- We welcome Mark & Sarah Wagenaar from our Vineland, Ontario congregation today. Mark is an FRC student for the ministry. His classes start this month. Their address is: 1507 Leonard NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505
- *From the Deacons:* Final signups for this year's Church Camp will be soon and to make sure everyone has an opportunity to go, a camp fund has been set up to ensure that cost is not the reason our families will not be there. Please reach out to one of the Deacons this Sunday for assistance. We hope to see as many families as possible at Camp this year. This will be a great time of fellowship for all who attend.

Nursery		
Today	Room A	Room B
Morning	Janna Birn Jeanette DeBlaay	Cora Beute Gabby Karel
Evening	Heather Engelsma Jacqueline DeBlaay	Abbie Prince Louisa Haab
Next Week		
Morning	Betsy Timmer Rene Vander Hart	Julie Spaans Maddie Prince
Evening	Margaret Kleyn Amanda Venlet	Kathy Pols Bekah Huckstead
August	Mother in Charge	Courtney Prince

Ushers		
	Morning	Evening
Today	Tom Karel Jr.	Sam Moerdyk
Next Week	Andrew Bergsma	Joel Markwat

Offerings			
	First Collection	Second Collection	Collection Boxes
Today	General Fund	Family Camp	Word & Deed
Next Week	General Fund	Building Fund	Christian Ministry to Israel (CMI)

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