

March 6, 2016

Church Family

Order of Worship

Morning Worship - 9:30 AM

Silent Prayer
Votum and Salutation*
Psalter* 94:1-4
Reading of the Law
Reading of Scripture
Pastoral Prayer
Offertory
Psalter* 172
Sermon
Prayer
Psalter 186:1-5 & Lord's Supper
Prayer
Psalter* 230:4-7
Benediction*
Doxology - Psalter* 187:1, 4
**Please stand if you are able*

Sermon:

Christ Restoring All

Scripture: Psalm 69:1-13
Text: Psalm 69:4b

Song Service - 5:50 PM

Psalter 256:3, 5
Psalter 198:6, 7
Evening Worship - 6:00 PM
Silent Prayer
Votum and Salutation*
Psalter* 277:1-4
Reading of Scripture
Psalter 144
Apostles' Creed
Pastoral Prayer
Offertory
Psalter* 426:1-4
Sermon
Prayer
Psalter* 426:7-10
Benediction*
Doxology - Psalter* 228:2, 3

Sermon:

The Life of Thankfulness

Scripture: Psalm 116
Text: Psalm 116:12-19

Homebound:

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

Remember in Prayer:

Mrs. Lorraine Slopsema
Mr. Trent Timmer
Mr. Rick Vander Veen

Serving our country:

Dan & Sarah Arnoudse family and Allan Murray

Many *heartfelt thanks* to my church family for the cards, phone calls and other acts of condolences when my dear brother, Joe, passed away. I'm especially grateful for the comforting words from Pastor Macleod and Dr. Murray. *Ruth Post & family*

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Meditation

TRUE ZEAL

If our zeal be true, it will be a zeal from true motives. Such is the subtlety of the heart that men will often to right things from wrong motives. Amaziah and Joash are striking proofs of this. Just so a man may have zeal about things that are good and right, but from second rate motives, and not from the desire to please God. And such zeal is worth nothing. It is reprobate silver. It is utterly wanting when placed in the balance of God. Man looks only at the action: God looks at the motive. Man only looks at the quantity of the work done: God considers the doer's heart.

There is such a thing as zeal from a party spirit. It is quite possible for a man to be unwearied in promoting the interest of his own Church or denomination, and yet have no grace in his own heart,--- to be ready to die for the peculiar opinions of his own section of Christians, and yet to have no love to Christ, Such was the zeal of the Pharisees. They "compassed sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he was made, they made him two-fold more the child of hell than themselves." Matt. 23: 15. This zeal is not true.

There is such a thing as zeal from mere Selfishness. There are times when it is men's interest to be zealous in religion. Power and patronage are sometimes given to godly men. The good things of the world are sometimes to be attained by wearing a cloak of religion. And whenever this is the case, there is no lack of false zeal. Such was the zeal of Joab, when he served David. Such was the case of too many Englishmen in the days of the commonwealth, when the Puritans were in power.

There is such a thing as a zeal for love of praise. such was the zeal of Jehu, when he was putting down the worship of Baal. Remember how he met Jonadab the son of Rechab, and said, "Come with me, and see my zeal for the Lord." 2 Kings 10: 16. Such is the zeal that Bunyan refers to in "Pilgrims Progress," when he speaks of some who went out "for praise" to mount Zion. Some people feed on the praise of their fellow creatures. They would rather have it from Christians than none at all.

It is a sad and humbling proof of man's corruption that there is no degree of self-denial and self-sacrifice to which men may not go from false motives. It does not follow that a man's religion may be true, because he "gives his body to be burned," or because he "gives his goods to feed the poor."

J. C. Ryle

Congregational Life

- Today, Pastor Macleod will conduct our worship services.
- This morning, the celebration of the *Lord's Supper* will take place. Those who are full members or associate members in our congregation may sit at the Lord's Table. Regular attenders who are not yet members or associate members, who wish to sit at the Lord's Table, are asked to meet briefly with the consistory before the morning service today. This is simply to ensure that those wishing to partake of the Lord's Supper are members in good standing in another recognized church. Regular attenders in our congregation who are not yet associate or full members, and who have met with the consistory within the past year with a view to sitting at the Lord's Table, do not need to meet with us again. Visitors from other congregations are requested to contact a Pastor or one of the elders and request permission to partake of the Lord's Supper.
- There will be no Sunday School/Catechism classes this morning.
- Next Sunday, Dr. Jerry Bilkes will lead our worship services, DV.
- The Sunday School (Beginners - 7th Grade) Psalter of the month is #160. Please review with your children.
- There will be a *Prayer Day service*, Wednesday, March 9, 7:15 PM. The service will be led by Pastor Al Martin.
- I hope to be in Bradenton Florida with my family for the next two Lord's Days (March 13 and 20) D.V. *Warmly, Pastor Macleod*
- We welcome Dan & Cassandra Naulty *into membership*, along with their children Hunter and TJ. May the Lord bless them as they join our church family.
- The denominational *Spring Synodical Committee Meetings* will be held March 15-18 in Dundas, ON.
- *Free Reformed Office-Bearers Conference*: All present and former office-bearers are invited to the next conference to be held on Saturday, March 19, 2016, at Brantford FRC (17 Patterson Ave). Rev. L. J. Bilkes will speak on "Ministering to the Dying." Schedule: Opening (10:30 a.m.), address, hot lunch (noon), discussion (1:00 pm). FRC publications will be available for purchase. Letting the Brantford clerk (clerk@brantford.frcna.org) know you hope to attend is appreciated.
- Daylight Saving Time begins, D.V., at 2 AM next Sabbath, March 13.

Nursery		
Today	Room A	Room B
Morning	Jeanette DeBlaay	Julie Timmer
	Min Yyoung Kim	Lauren Bilkes
Evening	Briana Boot	Kathy Pols
	Cassandra Naulty	Joni Murray
<i>Prayer Day</i>	Jen Pennings, Aileen Rittner, Trienna Moerdyk	
Next Week		
Morning	Laura Hults	Betsy Timmer
	Mary-Jo Haab	Hermien Theron
Evening	Rene Vander Hart	Leah Moerdyk
	Nicoline Thereon	Louisa Haab
March	Mother in Charge	Laura Hults

Ushers		
	Morning	Evening
Today	Henk Kleyn	Bill Moerdyk
Next Week	Pete Van Strien	Sam Moerdyk

Offerings			
	First Collection	Second Collection	Collection Boxes
Today	General Fund	Building Fund	Guatemala Mission
Next Week	General Fund	Education Fund	HRC Food Pantry
<i>Prayer Day</i>	Omega House		

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