

October 25, 2015

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Church Family

## Order of Worship

### Song Service - 5:50 PM

Psalter 168: all

### Morning Worship - 9:30 AM

Silent Prayer

Votum and Salutation\*

Psalter\* 27

Reading of the Law

Reading of Scripture

Psalter 222:1-5

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

Psalter\* 123

Sermon

Prayer

Offertory

Psalter\* 182:1-5

Benediction\*

Doxology - Psalter\* 259:3 & 4

### Evening Worship - 6:00 PM

Silent Prayer

Votum and Salutation\*

Psalter\* 292

Reading of Scripture

Psalter 17

Apostles' Creed

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

Psalter\* 3

Sermon

Prayer

Offertory

Psalter\* 387:3-6

Benediction\*

Doxology - Psalter\* 126:1 & 5

*\*Please stand if you are able*

Sermon:

### What Would You Burn?

Scripture: Acts 19:1-20

Text: Acts 19:19

Lord's Day 34

Sermon:

### Refuge for Asylum Seekers

Scripture: Deuteronomy 19

Text: Deuteronomy 19:5

### 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

Mrs. Ruth Wiley

### Serving our country:

Dan & Sarah Arnoudse family

The congregation *extends sympathy* to the relatives and friends of Frances Faasse who passed away this past Thursday. The funeral took place Friday.

God truly placed a *song of thanksgiving* in my heart last weekend when He mercifully held me through this procedure. I am so very thankful for your prayers and the awesomeness of our Heavenly Father. Psalm 92:1-2 "*It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O Most High: To shew forth thy lovingkindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night,*"  
*Kate Spaans*

Liz Hubach had a procedure this past Wednesday and is thankful for a positive report.

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# Meditation

## THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL

Ah, my dear friends! The Gospel is still the power of God. I confess to you all, that if I did not believe the Gospel still to be the power of God, I should utterly despair of any such effects. One man cannot change the heart of another. Not the language employed---not the ideas communicated; oh, no! There must be an energy divine; the power of the Lord must be present, and that power must apply the truth; and, therefore, we see the power of God still manifested. Note the example: On Sabbath evening last, in the town of Devonport, a poor besotted, careless old man---an old man-of-war's man, I believe, -- came into the chapel, and those who knew him best, believed he never spent five minutes in his life in thinking

"What am I? Where am I going? Is there another world? Have I a soul, as well as a body?" He saw a large crowd, and he thought he would try to get in. He succeeded in the attempt; and it pleased the Lord, though the preacher drew a bow at venture, to direct an arrow that "hit" and an arrow that pierced that old sailor inmost soul, and to stick fast there; he was judged of all---he was condemned of all; the tears began to gush from those eyes that had scarcely ever wept before, and he began to sigh. As he returned home, he wept, and said to a person, "I cannot rest till God has mercy on me; my conscience condemns me: I am guilty; I am perishing; what shall I do? And the person told me, the following evening, that he was still pleading with the Lord, determined not to rest till he found redemption in the blood of Christ. Now I ask you, what was that but the power of God?"

Take another illustration of the power of the Gospel. Here is a Pharisee; one who would say, "Stand by, for I am holier than thou." Many times he is thanking his Maker that he is not as other men; not a drunkard, swearer or Sabbath breaker. All the law he kept from his youth up; a lofty superstructure of self-righteousness. Even this when brought into contact with the Gospel. And what is the Gospel in such a case? It is a conductor to convey the lightning of heaven. the power of God, this superstructure of self-righteousness is shivered to atoms, and all the props, and pillars, and dependencies of the Pharisee are broken to pieces; and there you behold him on his knees, with uplifted hands and contrite heart, for the first time in his life, sayings, "God be merciful a sinner!" What is this? This is the power of God.

The Gospel has not lost its power; the gospel is still accompanied by the influence of the Spirit. Here lies our strength --here lies our hope. The gospel is powerful to pull down, and it is powerful to build it is powerful to kill a man's self-confidence, and it will save, "It is the power of God unto salvation."

R. Newton

# 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.

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"Trust in him at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before him: God is a refuge for us. Selah."

*Psalms 62:8*

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## Congregational Life

- Today, Pastor Murray will lead our worship services.
- Next Sunday, Pastor Macleod will conduct our services, DV.
- Pastor Macleod will lead a joint *Reformation Day Service* at Grand Rapids HRC on Saturday October 31 at 7:15.
- The Sunday School and Catechism classes (beginners-7<sup>th</sup> Grade) Psalter of the month is #124. Next month's Psalter is #277. Please review with your child(ren).
- Today, the *New Members Class* will meet after the morning worship service, in the main auditorium. All those thinking about joining our congregation are invited to join us.
- Pastor Al Martin has kindly offered to give us *three Adult Sunday School classes* on the subject of Prayer Meetings. These sessions will be after the morning service on November 1, 8 and 15, DV. We believe these sessions will provide us with much instruction that will greatly benefit us all as we seek to further establish a weekly prayer meeting in our congregation. You are all warmly invited and encouraged to attend these sessions.
- We welcome Mark & Sarah Wagenaar into the fellowship of our congregation. Their membership comes to us from the Vineland FRC. Mark is a student at PRTS.



<b>Nursery</b>		
Today	Room A	Room B
Morning	Heidi Pronk	Sonia Wielhouwer
	Shona Murray	Gabby Karel
Evening	Martha Markwat	Belinda Pennings
	Renee Langerak	Louisa Haab
Next Week		
Morning	Arleen Boven	Sarah Walkotten
	Susan Osmun	Anita Wielhouwer
Evening	Aileen Rittner	Maddie Prince
	Liz Prince	Maret Haab
October	Mother in Charge	Betsy Timmer

<b>Ushers</b>		
	Morning	Evening
Today	Tim La Rocque	Sam Moerdyk
Next Week	Pete Van Strien	Andrew Bergsma

<b>Offerings</b>			
	First Collection	Second Collection	Collection Boxes
Today	General Fund	Education Fund	Trinitarian Bible Society (TBS)
Next Week	General Fund	Denominational Fund	Local Radio

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