

Holy Week Events

◆ Monday, April 10

10:00-11:00 AM Women's Prayer Group

(Prairie Ridge Care Center, Grandview Cottage Dining Room, located in the southwest part of the building.) Questions? Contact Arlene Punt at 707-4600.

1:30 PM Women's Faith Sharing (Room 201)

Contact: Lynne Grossmann (737-4202)

6:30 PM Deacons' Meeting (Room 204)

6:30 PM Elders' Meeting (Room 201)

7:45 PM Consistory Meeting (Room 204)

◆ Wednesday, April 12

6:15-7:30 PM F3 Movie night! (Room 111)

Come in your PJ's for a final party together before summer break!

6:30-7:30 PM **MSYG Pool Party** at the All Seasons Center in Sioux Center. Bring your friends with you!

◆ Thursday, April 13

6:30 PM Maundy Thursday Communion Service (Sanctuary)

◆ Friday, April 14

6:30-7:45 AM Good Friday Men (and young men) Prayer Breakfast

30th annual Good Friday Men's Prayer Breakfast at Northwestern Rowenhorst Student Center. Dave Bartlett is our speaker. Dave is on staff at Orchard Hill Church in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Dave has a powerful message that will be appropriate for all ages. Please join us for a time of food, fellowship, prayer and reflection in this holy season. To attend please contact Kent Anderson or the church office for tickets. Pay at the door.

12:10-12:50 PM **Community Good Friday Service** in the sanctuary of American Reformed Church. Both a financial and non-perishable food offering will be received for the local Food Pantry.

◆ Sunday, April 16

9:30 AM Easter Worship (Sanctuary)

Come celebrate the resurrection of our risen Lord!

Note Change: Hand Bells on Easter

All 2nd-5th graders are invited to join the Children & Worship Choir (3 years - 1st grade) on Easter Sunday in playing hand bells to the song "Alleluia, He is Coming!" Please join Pam Anderson in the Fellowship Hall at 9:20 AM to prepare to play for the opening song of the service.

10:30-10:45 AM No Hands of Praise

No Children & Worship Choir

10:45-11:30 AM No Sunday School/Discipleship Classes (All Ages)

Participating in Worship

The Congregation
Mikayla Vos
Tamara Fynaardt
Teresa Sampson,
Daniel Tolsma, Jeff Tolsma,
Tom Truesdell, and Angela Kroeze Visser
Pastors Mike & Elizabeth Hardeman
Sanctuary Choir and Hands of Praise
Philip De Koster, Director
Mikayla Vos, Accompanist
Benjamin Langton

Serving the Lord in Worship
Organist
Praise Team

Leading in Worship
Call to Confession

Children's Message



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Palm to Passion Sunday

April 9 2017



THE APPROACH TO GOD

*The congregation is invited to read the bold font.
Indicates you may stand if you wish.

PRELUDE "What the Lord Has Done"
Praise Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG OF WORSHIP #203 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"
*Congregation, please remain seated while singing.
The children will be processing with the palm branches.*

GOD'S GREETING

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

CALL TO CONFESSION "Prepare the Way!"
Hands of Praise & Sanctuary Choir

ACT OF CONFESSION
God of healing and forgiveness,
we are not strangers to brokenness.
Because of what we have done and
because of what we have failed to do,
we experience brokenness in our relationships
with family, friends, neighbors and more.
We also live in broken relationship with you.
We come before you seeking reconciliation and healing.

"O Come to the Altar"

As the praise team sings, you are invited to bring your sins and burdens to the cross by placing the red ribbon on one of the nails. You may sing or simply remain silent as you join in this time of personal confession.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE WORD OF GOD

*Children ages 3-1st grade are invited to attend Children & Worship located on the lower level:
3-4 year olds - Room 103; 5-6 year olds - Room 104*

*SONG OF PREPARATION Insert "What the Lord Has Done"

SCRIPTURE Psalm 31:1-8

SERMON *From Palms to Passion*

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
(Please pass the fellowship pad found at the end of the pew.)

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #809

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

*SONG OF RESPONSE #135 "Come Thou Long-Expected..."

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING SONG #135 "Come Thou Long-Expected..."
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*POSTLUDE

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Events for Today

- ◆ **10:30-10:45 AM Coffee Fellowship** (Gathering Area behind the sanctuary) Everyone is invited to stay for coffee or tea and cookies.
- ◆ **10:30-10:45 AM Hands of Praise** (grades 2-5)
Location: Fellowship Hall
- ◆ **10:30-10:45 AM Children & Worship Music Time** (age 3–1st grade)
Location: Room 111
- ◆ **10:45-11:30 AM Discipleship Classes** (ages 3–12th grade)
- ◆ **4:40-5:45 PM Leaps of Faith Practice** (Sanctuary)
- ◆ **6:30-8:00 PM High School Youth Group** at the Lamberts

Praying for God's People

Hospitalized:

***Jan Wilbeck**, who was admitted to the Orange City Area Health System Hospital on Tuesday, April 4 with pneumonia. Pray for her healing and recovery.

Home from the hospital:

***Don Guthmiller**, who was dismissed from the Orange City Area Health System Hospital on Saturday, April 1 and has returned to his home at Landsmeer Retirement Community.

***Madison Van Leeuwen** (4 month old daughter of **Brent and Savannah Van Leeuwen** and granddaughter of **Doc and Bonnie Van Leeuwen**), who was hospitalized for RSV at the Orange City Area Health System Hospital and has returned home.

***Lucille Wierda** was dismissed from the Royale Meadows Care Center in Sioux Center and has returned to her home in Orange City.

Pray for patience and healing for:

***April Buysman**, who continues her recovery at the Rock Rapids Health Centre following surgery for a broken ankle.

***Kathy Kraai** as she is on bedrest and continues to recover from a fall which resulted in multiple broken bones.

Those who are grieving:

***Mike & Meagan Wallinga, Abby, Allison and Anna** in the death of their grandfather/great-grandfather, Irvin Stanard, on Monday, April 3. Pray for Christ's comfort and peace as they grieve the loss of their loved one.

Announcements

Kids Hope USA Mentor & Prayer Partner Breakfast

All mentors and prayer partners are invited to the ARC Fellowship Hall at 8:30 AM on Sunday, April 30th to celebrate the year of Kids Hope USA mentoring, share stories and hear plans for the upcoming months. A light brunch will be served. Hope you can join us! Please RSVP to Laura Jonker, arckidsmin@gmail.com, by April 19th.

Expresses Thanks

"Many, many thanks to my church family for the love, concern, prayers and acts of kindness shown to the Hop family in recent months. A special thanks to Pastors Mike and Elizabeth for their weekly visits, as well as their phone calls and prayers while in Mesa. All this support from ARC was truly a blessing of comfort and assurance which carried us through our 5 1/2 month journey. Also, thanks to ALL who took part in the memorial service and reception in memory of Don, including many who worked behind the scenes. God's blessings to all with thanksgiving and love."

*...Marlys and her grateful family
(Bruce, Dan & Kym, Kevin & Sharilyn, and grandchildren, Kameron, Jennie & Stephen, Emily and Madison)*