

**TODAY, February 24**

**During Worship Children & Worship\***

Meeting in the north side classroom of the children's ministry hallway (lower level). Children can be picked up by 10:45.

**10:45–11:30AM** NO Sunday School

**4:40–5:45PM** Leaps of Faith Practice

**6:30–8:30PM** High School Youth Group (9th-12th gr.)

**Wednesday, February 27**

**6:15–7:30PM** F3 (1st-4th gr.)

**6:15–7:30PM** MCYG (5th-8th gr.)

**Sunday, March 3**

**During Worship Children & Worship**

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**4:40–5:45PM** Leaps of Faith Practice (6th-12th gr.)

**6:30–8:30PM** High School Youth Group (9th-12th gr.)

**Where does my kid go?**

⇒ **Children & Worship On the Move AGAIN!**—C & W will meet in the lower level room #104 on the south side of the children's ministry hallway. (The area below the nursery.)

⇒ **The nursery remains open for children 3YO & under throughout the renovation.**

At ARC children are invited to fully participate in worship, and all ages and stages are welcome in the service.

**These ministries are also available to families during worship:**

**Worship Bags**

All Children

**Year Round**

pick up & drop off by elevator

**Nursery**

Birth–3YO

Upper Level: #203

**Year Round**

9:15–11:30 AM

**Children & Worship**

3YO–1st Grade

Lower Level: #104 (Green & Purple)

**Sept. 9 – May 5**

after children's message\*

\*These 2 groups will be joined together in room #104 (lower level).

All children may be picked up @ 10:45AM from room #104.

**Participating in Worship**

The Congregation  
 Pam Anderson  
 Jenn Lambert, Kevin McMahan, Teresa Sampson,  
 Tom Truesdell, and Angela Kroeze Visser  
 Pastor Mike & Pastor Elizabeth

Serving the Lord in Worship  
 Organist  
 Praise Team

Leaps of Faith  
 Leaders: Maggie Kensak, Katelyn Reuvers, Natalie Sampson, and  
 Natasha Sampson

Worship Leaders

Dancers: Neriah Hardeman, Katie Kensak, Nevaeh Sampson, and  
 Ava Schmitz

Assurance of Forgiveness

Staff Advisor: Rosalyn De Koster  
 Benjamin Langton

Children's Message

**Who belongs at American Reformed Church?**

Everyone is welcome here. Everyone belongs. Whether you walked in the doors for the first time or the 321<sup>st</sup> time this morning . . . you belong. There are no special requirements to be a part of church.

Our denominational tradition does invite people to become members of a local church like American. But this isn't a club; it's a community. Becoming a member is simply a sign of mutual commitment between a person and the entire ARC community. If you are interested in learning more about what it means to become a member, please contact the pastors (elizabetharcoc@gmail.com and mikearcoc@gmail.com).

But remember...you belong beyond membership.



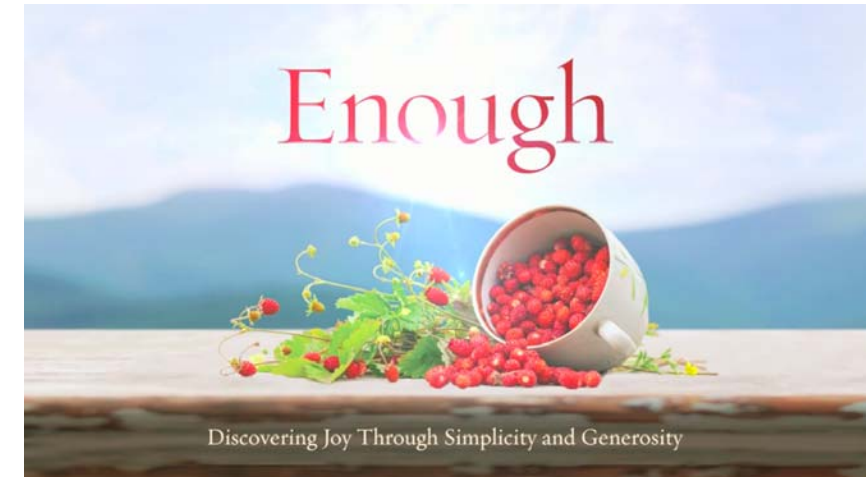
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**Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany**  
 February 27, 2019



## THE APPROACH TO GOD

*The congregation is invited to read the bold font.  
\*Indicates the congregation may stand.*

PRELUDE "The Church's One Foundation/Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*SONG OF WORSHIP "What the Lord Has Done"

\*GOD'S GREETING & SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Generous God:  
**you have given us the greatest Gift of all through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord and Savior. Yet, O God, we confess that we fail to live generously. Our gifts are often modest and meager, and do not compare to your great Gift to us. We are afraid, O God. We are afraid we will not have enough, and our fearfulness leads us to stinginess. Have mercy upon us and forgive us, Lord.**

*Please use the silence for reflection and personal confession.*

Gracious God:  
**open our eyes to see the expansiveness of your Gift and gifts. Empower us to live and give in Gospel-sized proportions that demonstrate our gratitude for your grace. In Christ Jesus we pray. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS "Counting Every Blessing"

## THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*Children & Worship is held in room 106 located in the lower level children's ministry wing. Children ages 3 to 1st grade are welcome to attend. Worship bags and coloring pages are by the elevator for children who remain in worship.*

\*SONG OF PREPARATION "My Worth Is Not in What I Own"

SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

SERMON "Enough: Lifestyles of the Rich and Generous"

## THE RESPONSE TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**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.**

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Please pass the fellowship pad found at the end of the pew.*

OFFERTORY "All Creatures of Our God and King"

\*DOXOLOGY p. 809  
*Congregation, please stand when organ begins playing.*

\*SONG OF RESPONSE #644 "God, Whose Giving"  
sung to "Beech Spring," #578  
v. 1, 2, & 3

\*BENEDICTION

\*SENDING SONG #644 "God, Whose Giving"  
sung to "Beech Spring," #578  
v. 3

\*POSTLUDE "Psalm XX"

*All music & lyrics used by permission - CCLI #374890*

## PRAYING FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

\*Pray for **Carolyn Elder** who had surgery in Sioux Falls on Wednesday, February 20.

\*Pray for **Phyllis Vander Werff** and her family and **Kathy Gabel** and her family as they grieve the death of a beloved sister and aunt—**Marianne Czechowskyj**. A memorial service was held on Saturday, February 23 in Michigan.

\*Pray for **Jerry Brown**, father of **Elizabeth Brown Hardeman**, as he recovers from multiple procedures to remove cancer and prepares for a skin graft procedure and eventually radiation.

\*Pray for **Mike Hardeman**, who will be attending the **RCA Commission on Christian Unity** meeting in New Brunswick, New Jersey, February 28-March 2.

## EVENTS FOR TODAY

♦ **10:30-10:45 AM Coffee Fellowship** in the Coffee Fellowship Area

♦ **10:45 - 11:30 ADULT DISCIPLESHIP WINTER 2019 OFFERINGS**

*Meets Sundays through March 3*

• **BIBLE STUDY: JOSHUA** in Room 301 (Choir Room Upstairs)

• **STRONG AND WEEK: EMBRACING A LIFE OF LOVE, RISK AND TRUE FLOURISHING.** .by Andy Crouch (Book Study)

Location: Room #204 (Genesis Room)

♦ **ENOUGH Sermon Series Small Groups** (*This is the last session.*)

**10:45-11:30 AM #1** West Front of Sanctuary; **#2** West Narthex

**4:45-5:45 PM** in the Coffee Fellowship Area

## EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, February 25**

**10:00-11:00 AM Women's Prayer** at Prairie Ridge Care Center (Grandview Cottage Dining Room)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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