

Events for today

10:30-11:00- AM

Coffee Fellowship in the gathering area behind the sanctuary. Then, be sure to stay for the Soup-er Bowl pre-game meal that Begins at 11:00 AM in the fellowship hall! We'll be expecting you! **Hands of Praise** (Grade 2-5) in the sanctuary. NOTE LOCATION! **Children & Worship Music Time** (ages 3-1st grade) in Room 111

10:45-11:30 AM

Discipleship Classes for Ages 3-12th Grades (Lower Level)
Discipleship Class for Adults (Jan. 14-Mar. 4):

◆ **That's Just Your *Interpretation!* – Becoming Better Readers of the Bible**

Facilitator: Jim Mead, Northwestern College
Location: Fireside Room (202)

This course introduces a variety of perspectives and methods for interpreting the Bible, including historical, literary, theological, spiritual, socio-economic, and missional approaches.

◆ **Christian Perspectives on News Headlines:**

This class will discuss a “hot-button” news issue for each past week, focusing on how Christians should respond to the issue based on biblical teachings. This week's class we will be discussing the State of the Union address.

Facilitator: Steve Mahr
Location: Genesis Room (205)

11:00 AM **Soup-er Bowl Pre-Game Meal** (Fellowship Hall)

Warmup for today's big game with a bowl of your favorite soup. Soup's on beginning at 11 AM; come after church or Sunday school. Your freewill offering supports our high school youth and their plans for an Urban Plunge trip this summer.

12:15 PM **Leaps of Faith Practice** (Grades 4-12) in the sanctuary

6:30-8:30 PM **HSYG @ DeKosters** (404 Center Street, Hull)

Events for this Week

Monday, February 5

9:30-10:30 AM **Young Family Nursery Play Dates** (ARC Nursery)

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.)

1:30PM **Weekly Faith Sharing Group** (Room 201)

Contact: Lynne Grossmann (737-4202)

Wednesday, February 7

6:15-7:30 PM **F3** (“Fuel for Faith”) for children in 1st-5th grades

Location: Fellowship Hall (Lower level)

6:15-7:30 PM **Middle School Youth Group** (Grades 6-8)

Location: Middle School Youth Room - Rm 110 (lower level)

6:15-7:30 PM **Nehemiah Bible Study for Women** (Room 201)

Leader: Jill Haarsma

Announcements

• **CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS – Hold onto your hats – here we come!**

APRIL 7 – 14 -American is now approved to send a Service Team to help with hurricane devastation.

Informational Meeting: Lord, let our hands and hearts speak love to our sisters and brothers in Texas! Please join us next Sunday, February 11, at 11:00 AM in Room 201, following coffee fellowship. We will discuss: project expectations, travel, accommodations, financial support, etc.

Contact Victoria Karssen: victoria.karssen@gmail.com or 712.541.7943, if you are interested or have any questions.

• **Congregational Vote**

A brief congregational meeting will be held immediately following worship next Sunday, February 11, to vote on the \$1.925 building project with a long-term financing amount of approximately \$700,000. This vote will aid the consistory in their ongoing discernment in the building project process. If you are unable to participate in the congregational vote next Sunday, you may obtain an absentee ballot in the church office. **Absentee ballots must be signed and must be received in the church office before 12:00 PM on Friday, February 9.** Thank you for your participation in this process!

• **Discerning Consistory Leaders**

All ARC Confessing Members are invited to participate in the consistory nominations and elections process. **Completed nomination forms are due in the box on the Welcome Center in front of the church office by 12:00 PM next Sunday, February 11.** Thank you for prayerfully considering those whom God is calling to serve in leadership at ARC.

(More announcements on insert.)



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THE APPROACH TO GOD

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

PRELUDE "Wondrous Love" Kosche

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG OF WORSHIP "All Praise"
The congregation may stand when invited to do so.

*GOD'S GREETING

Community Health Partners has asked that all churches in the area curtail hand-shaking due to recent cases of influenza and out of concern for those who may be vulnerable to the complications from a cold or the flu.

SONG OF CONFESSION "Give Us a Vision"

*SONG OF ASSURANCE "Compassion Hymn"

THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children ages 3–1st grade may exit out the sanctuary doors to meet Children & Worship (C & W) leaders. Leaders will take the children directly to their Sunday school classrooms following the service. Children who do not attend C & W are welcome to use the worship bags by the elevator during the service.

*SONG OF PREPARATION #436 "Jesu, Jesu"
w. 1 & 4

SCRIPTURE Luke 6:27-36

SERMON "Missional Discipleship: Love"

MEANING OF THE SACRAMENT

INVITATION

COMMUNION PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy and right it is, and our joyful duty to give thanks to you at all times and in all places, O Lord our Creator, almighty and everlasting God! You created heaven with all its hosts and the earth with all its plenty. You have given us life and being and preserve us by your providence. But you have shown us the fullness of your love in sending into the world your Son, Jesus Christ, the eternal Word, made flesh for us and for our salvation. For the precious gift of this mighty Savior who has reconciled us to you we praise and bless you, O God. With your whole Church on earth and with all the company of heaven we worship and adore your glorious name.

Sung a cappella:

**Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.**

Most righteous God, we remember in this Supper the perfect sacrifice offered once on the cross by our Lord Jesus Christ for the sin of the whole world. In the joy of his resurrection and in expectation of his coming again, we offer ourselves to you as holy and living sacrifices. Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again!**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, we pray, that the bread which we break and the cup which we bless may be to us the communion of the body and blood of Christ. Grant that, being joined together in him, we may attain to the unity of the faith and grow up in all things into Christ our Lord. And as this grain has been gathered from many fields into one loaf, and these grapes from many hills into one cup, grant, O Lord, that your whole Church may soon be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!

COMMUNION

Please exit to your left out of the pew, come forward to the serving station. Return to your pew on the opposite side from which you exited. An elder will serve those who are unable to come forward to a serving station. Anointing of oil and prayers for healing will also be offered at the center station. Children are welcome to participate in communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. Children who do not participate in communion may come forward with arms crossed in front of their chests for a blessing. All communion elements are gluten free.

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

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

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

OFFERTORY "O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High"

*DOXOLOGY #809

*SONG OF RESPONSE Insert "There Is a Redeemer"

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING SONG "Will You Come and Follow Me"
w. 1 & 3

*POSTLUDE "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" Zundel
"Blessed Jesu, at Thy Word" Bach

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Participating in Worship

The Congregation	Serving the Lord in Worship
Sharon Bartlett	Organist
Rosalyn De Koster, Katelyn Reuvers, Teresa Sampson, Daniel Tolsma, Jeff Tolsma, and Tom Truesdell	Praise Team
Sanctuary Choir	Song of Confession
Philip De Koster, Director	
Alyssa Daun, Accompanist	
Pastors Mike & Elizabeth Hardeman	Leading in Worship
Gail Marincovich	Children's Message

Praying for God's People

*Please be in prayer for **Les & Sue Mulder** and **Raegen & Adam (Tristan, Tyson, & Jabrel) Blom** as they grieve the loss of **Les's mother, Imo Mulder**, who passed away on Sunday, January 28. Pray for Imo's family as they mourn her death and celebrate her legacy together.

*We offer prayers of thanksgiving that **Don Lenderink** (father to Lynne & John Hubers and grandfather to Jill & Seth Vander Weide) was able to return home to the Lansdmeer Ridge Retirement Community last week. Continue to pray for Don as he recovers and his family as they care for him.

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2018 Family Devotional Sign-Up



Life is full and time for family devotions can feel limited! The children's ministry directors from the area Reformed churches are compiling monthly one-page devotional resources for families of our community that include a fun memory verse, 5 lesson ideas and several talking points for discussion with your kids.

Will your family join us on this devotional journey for 2018? Sign up for emails the rest of the year by emailing Laura Jonker, arckidsmin@gmail.com.

Family Tubing Day: Feb 17th



Let's enjoy the snow! You are invited to join your ARC family friends for a fun Saturday in the grand outdoors.

What: Family Tubing Outing

When: Saturday, February 17th, 1-5 PM

****Meet in ARC parking lot at 1:00 PM to carpool to Sioux City together****

Who: ARC Families of students 0-12th grade

Where: Cone Park (3800 Line Drive; Sioux City, IA 51106)

RSVP: Please RSVP to Laura, arckidsmin@gmail.com.

Details:

- All children must be accompanied by an adult.
- Cost per person - \$5 (park charges \$10, but ARC will pay half)
- Laura will purchase tickets in advance. Please bring along your \$5/person on the 17th.
- Ice skating is also included in the admission price, but [skate rental](#) are an extra \$3. Please bring along \$3 if you wish to skate

Summer Camp Subsidies from ARC



Summer is coming! If your child plans to attend a summer camp this year, ARC is willing to pay up to 1/2 the registration costs. Please contact Laura Jonker (arckidsmin@gmail.com) or Rosalyn De Koster (arcyouthmin@gmail.com)

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