

TODAY, January 27

During Worship Children & Worship* (3YO-1st gr.)
 Green & Purple Groups meet in room 204.
 Children may be picked up by 10:45.

10:45–11:30AM NO Sunday School
 4:40–5:45PM Leaps of Faith Practice (6th-12th gr.)
 6:30–8:30PM High School Youth Group (9th-12th gr.)

Wednesday, January 30

6:15–7:30PM F3 Resumes (1st-4th gr.)
 6:15–7:30PM MGYG (5th-8th gr.)

Sunday, February 3

During Worship Children & Worship
 10:45–11:30AM NO Sunday School
 3:45–4:45PM Leaps of Faith Practice
 5:00–?????PM HSYG (9th-12th) @ Blom's House

Where does my kid go?

- ⇒ **Children & Worship Groups Combined.** The Green Group & the Purple Group have combined into one group and meet in room 204 for several weeks as renovation work continues to progress.
- ⇒ **The nursery remains open for children 3YO & under throughout the renovation.**
- ⇒ **Sunday School continues to be on hiatus.** Due to unforeseen circumstances, Sunday school for children & youth will not resume until March 3.

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:

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| Worship Bags | Year Round |
| All Children | pick up & drop off by elevator |
| Nursery | Year Round |
| Birth–3YO | 9:15–11:30 AM |
| Upper Level: #203 | |
| Children & Worship | Sept. 9 – May 5 |
| 3YO–1st Grade | after children's message* |
| Upper Level: #204 (Green & Purple) | |

*These 2 groups will be joined together in room 204. All children may be picked up @ 10:45AM from room 204 (behind Rosalyn DeKoster's office).

Participating in Worship

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| The Congregation | Serving the Lord in Worship |
| Sharon Bartlett | Organist |
| Pam Anderson, Rosalyn De Koster, Tamara Fynaardt, | Praise Team |
| Jeff Tolsma, Tom Truesdell, and Pete Van Kley | |
| Pastor Mike & Pastor Elizabeth | Worship Leaders |
| Kim Van Es | Children's Message |
| Sanctuary Choir | Offertory |
| Philip De Koster, Director | |
| Alyssa Daun, Accompanist | |

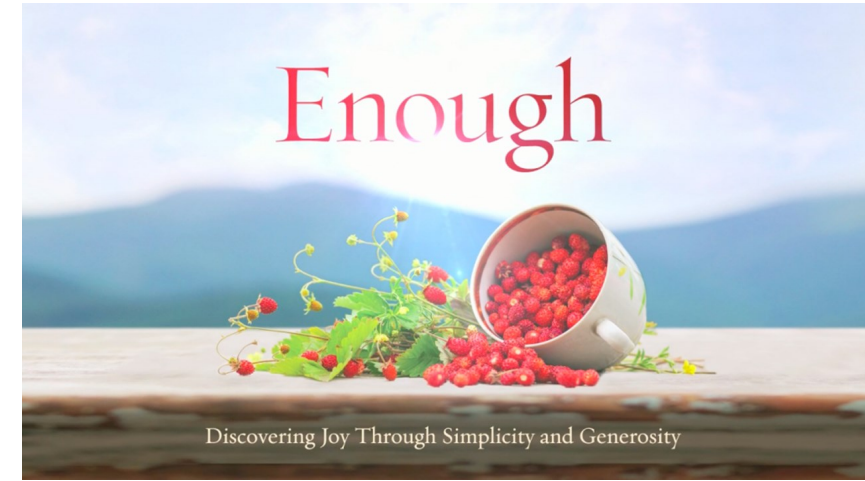


Who belongs at American Reformed Church?

Everyone is welcome here. Everyone belongs. Whether you walked in the doors for the first time or the 321st 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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THE APPROACH TO GOD

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

PRELUDE "Simple Gifts" arr. Schelat/Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

*SONG OF WORSHIP "Praise the King"

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
you forgive all who truly repent and turn to you.
We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.
We have not loved you with a pure heart,
nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We have not done justice, loved kindness,
or walked humbly with you, our God.
Have mercy upon us, O God, in your loving-kindness.
In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.

Please use the silence for reflection and personal confession.

Create in us a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within us.
Do not cast us away from your presence,
or take your Holy Spirit from us.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation
and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SONG OF ASSURANCE "My Worth Is Not in What I Own"
Congregation please join when invited to do so.

THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children & Worship is held in room 204. 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 #45 "Come, Thou Fount"

SCRIPTURE Ecclesiastes 5:10
1 Timothy 6:8-10
Matthew 16:24-26

SERMON "Enough: When Dreams Become Nightmares"

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 "A Covenant Prayer"

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

*SONG OF RESPONSE #579 "I Surrender All"
v. 4 a cappella

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING SONG #579 "I Surrender All"
Refrain only, a cappella

*POSTLUDE "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Harmon

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REMINDER: ENOUGH SERMON SERIES READING for February 3
Chapter 2: Wisdom and Finance (pp. 33-60)

PRAYING FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

*Don Guthmiller who returned to his home after spending a few days in the Orange City Hospital this past week.

*Xinyuan (Cindy) Zhang & Fan Fei as Xinyuan recovers after surgery for a broken tibia.

FOR TODAY

WELCOME MEIJI GAKUIN HI SCHOOL STUDENTS!

It is a real joy and pleasure to welcome to ARC worship today 17 high school seniors from Tokyo, Japan! They study at Meiji Gakuin High School, a long time affiliate of the RCA. These 17 students are attending NWC's Winter English Program. This year is ARC's 8th year to host high school seniors from Tokyo, Japan.

SOUP-ER BOWL YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER *EXTENDED*

Since we are unable to hold the High School Youth Group's Soup-er Bowl fundraiser at church the high schoolers are selling soup and EXTENDED the sale!!! TODAY is the last day orders can be placed at the Welcome Center after church! (If you don't wish to order soup, but you still want to support our youth, donations can be given to Rosalyn De Koster.)

10:30 AM Coffee Fellowship *in the fellowship area behind the sanctuary.*

10:45-11:30 AM ADULT DISCIPLESHIP WINTER 2019
January 13 - March 3

•**BIBLE STUDY: JOSHUA**

Facilitators: Sara and Kevin Huyser
Location: 301 (Take elevator to 3rd floor)

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

Facilitator: Kevin McMahan
Location: Room #204 (Genesis Room)

10:45-11:30 AM ENOUGH Sermon Series Small Groups
January 27-February 24

Locations: West Narthex and West Front of Sanctuary

4:45-5:45 PM ENOUGH Sermon Series Small Group
January 27-February 24

Location: Coffee Fellowship Area

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 28

10:00-11:00 AM Women's Prayer at Prairie Ridge Care Center (Grandview Cottage Dining Room) Questions? Contact Arlene Punt (707-4600).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

•SOUP-ER BOWL YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER *EXTENDED*

Since we are unable to hold the High School Youth Group's Soup-er Bowl fundraiser at church the high schoolers are selling soup and EXTENDING the sale for one more week! Orders can be placed at the Welcome Center after church TODAY! (If you don't wish to order soup, but you still want to support our youth, donations can be given to Rosalyn De Koster.)

•VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2 FROM 9:00 TO 11:00 A.M.

Building projects certainly create a mess! One of the biggest messes is the dust generated in the renovation project. On Saturday, February 2, we need several volunteers to dust off all the materials and equipment that has been stored in Room 111 and Room 112 (old Sunshine Room) and move the materials and equipment to one of the nearly completed children's ministry areas in the lower level. Can you help? If so, please email (americanchurchoc@gmail.com) or call (712.737.4430) the church office to sign up.

Thank you for all your support throughout the Flourish Building Renovation Project. We are grateful for the investment of your prayers, your financial gifts, and your volunteer service.

•2ND SUNDAY GATHERINGS GUEST SIGN UP FOR FEBRUARY 10

ARC members will be hosting 2nd Sunday groups in their homes February 10. Sign-up sheets are at the Welcome Counter in the coffee area (near the church office) or you may email or call Pam Boonstra pamboonstra@gmail.com 712-548-7148 before Monday February 4. All ages, including college students, are welcome. You will be asked to bring something for a Potluck meal if you can (it may be paper plates or a bag of chips).

•DISCERNING CONSISTORY LEADERS

All ARC Confessing Members are invited to participate in the consistory nominations and elections process. In your family mailbox at ARC you will find a letter from the 2019 ARC Consistory Nominating Committee, a list of eligible nominees for the consistory, and a nomination form. **Completed nomination forms are due in the box on the Welcome Center in front of the church office by 12:00 PM on Sunday, February 10, 2019.** Thank you for prayerfully considering those whom God is calling to serve in leadership at ARC.

(More announcements on reverse side.)

•DISCOVER AMERICAN

What does it mean to be a member? How do I learn more about the beliefs, ministries, and leadership structure of ARC? Is membership for me? How do I become a member of ARC?

Join us for *Discover American* as we explore these questions and more in a small group setting. Sessions will be held March 3, 10 & 17 from 10:45 to 11:30AM. If you are interested in participating in this conversation-based group, please sign up at the Welcome Center or email your interest to elizabetharcoc@gmail.com by February 17. If you have any questions about this class or American Reformed Church, the pastors welcome your calls and emails.

•MEAL MINISTRY

ARC is a caring and generous church family. Our Meal Ministry is a way to reach out and bless our members in time of illness, injuries, loss, family crisis or in celebrating new life. If you enjoy cooking or baking, consider joining this ministry. If being in the kitchen isn't your thing, fruit, a bakery item or a gift card to a local restaurant is always welcome.

When there is a need, Pam Boonstra, the current coordinator, sends out a group email. There is no obligation to respond for every need, rather when it works into your schedule. In some cases, daily meals may be provided for a short period of time. We would like to expand the group to include more contributors. Contact Pam at pamboonstra@gmail.com / 712-548-7148