

## Participating in Worship

The Congregation  
Philip De Koster  
Doug De Zeeuw, Marlene De Zeeuw, Laura Jonker,  
Katie Kensak, Wanda Korthals, Teresa Sampson, and Mary Schram  
Pastors Mike & Elizabeth Hardeman  
Rosalyn & Philip De Koster

Serving the Lord in Worship  
Organist  
Praise Team  
Leading in Worship  
Offertory

## Events for today

### 10:30-10:45 AM

**Coffee Fellowship** in the gathering area behind the sanctuary  
**Children & Worship Music Time** (ages 3-1st grade) in Rm 111  
**Hand of Praise** (grades 2-5) in the Fellowship Hall.

### 10:45-11:30 AM

**Discipleship Classes for Ages 3-12th Grades** (Lower Level)

**Discipleship Class for Adults** (through March 4)

**Christian Perspectives on News Headlines** (Rm 205)

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.

Facilitator: Steve Mahr

**Discover American: A Membership Inquiry Seminar**

(Room 201)

**4:40 PM Leaps of Faith Practice** (Grades 4-12) in the sanctuary

Bring dance shoes!

**6:00 PM High School Youth Group** at the Lamberts

## Events for this Week

### Monday, March 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)

**1:30 PM Weekly Faith sharing Group** (Rm 201)

Contact: Lynne Grossmann (737-4202)

**Wednesday, March 7 5:30-6:30 PM F3 & MSYG Family Meal Night**

Come enjoy our March Family Meal night and learn about camp opportunities at Inspiration Hills!

Location: Fellowship Hall (Lower level)

Menu: Tater Tot Casserole with the veggies on the side

Veggies—Corn and Carrots

Rolls

Orange Fruit Soup Salad

Raw Veggies w/Ranch dressing

Poke 'n Pour Cake (St. Patrick's favorite)

**Help Needed:** If you are available to prepare or serve food any time between 4:30-7 pm, please contact Sue Mulder

(rsredlum@mtcnet.net)

## Praying for God's People

**\*Donna Kleinhesslink** was dismissed from Unity Point-St. Luke's Hospital in Sioux City on Friday, February 23

**\*Wanda Zeutenhorst** was dismissed from the Orange City Area Health System Hospital on Sunday, February 25

**\*Mary Schram's father, Terry Brower**, was hospitalized in Sioux Falls earlier this week for a septic blood infection.

**\*Northwestern College Students, Faculty, and Staff** traveling over spring break March 2-13, especially those participating in Spring Service Partnerships. This year, ARC is prayerfully and financially supporting three students through scholarships from the ARC Endowment Fund: **Ali Almail, Betsy Huyser, and Daniel Tolsma.**

## Announcements

### Wednesday, March 7

**3:00-4:00 PM Informal Planning Meeting for Ruth Circle**

New Bible Series on Discover ROMANS FOR ALL WHO BELIEVE

Location: Landsmeer Ridge Private Dining Room

All women interested are invited. This class will meet the

1st Wednesday of the months of April-October at 2:00 PM.

Come early by 2:00 PM on March 7 for music program.

Melinda Fedders and Mary Reinders will share their musical talents in the Fireside Room at Landsmeer Ridge.

Questions; Contact Arlene Punt (707-4600)

**Coming Soon: New Adult Discipleship Class**

**10:45-11:30 AM Text to Turf:** Bringing Today's Sermon into My Week

(March 11-25, April 8-29)



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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

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*SONG OF WORSHIP "Hear Our Praises"

\*GOD'S GREETING

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Adapted from Psalm 51

Have mercy upon us, O God,  
**according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercies,  
blot out our transgressions.**  
Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity,  
and cleanse us from our sin.  
For we know our transgressions,  
and our sin is ever before us.

*(Please use this time of silence for personal confession.)*

Create in us a clean heart, O God,  
**and put a new and right spirit within us.**  
Cast us not away from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spirit from us.  
Restore to us the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold us with a willing spirit  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*SONG OF FORGIVENESS "Lamb of God"

# 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 wel-  
come to use the worship bags by the elevator during the service.*

\*SONG OF PREPARATION #124 "I Love You, Lord"  
Sung twice, second time a cappella

SCRIPTURE Genesis 28:10-22

SERMON "If these stones could talk...  
a stone for a pillar"

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 to give you thanks and praise  
at all times and in all places, O God our Creator.  
Source of all life and goodness, you created heaven  
with all its hosts and the earth with all its plenty  
and preserve us by your providence.

**When we disobeyed, you sent Jesus to deliver us  
from sin and death and free us to joyful obedience.**

With your whole church on earth and with all the company  
of heaven we proclaim your glory:

*Sung a cappella:*  
**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name,  
in earth, and sky, and sea;  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

Most righteous God, we remember in this meal  
the perfect sacrifice offered once on the cross  
by our Lord Jesus Christ for the sin of the whole world.

**United with Christ in his suffering,  
strengthened by the Holy Spirit,  
trusting in the power of God to triumph over evil,  
we wait in joyful hope for the fullness of God's reign.**

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

*This morning we will remain seated for communion. All  
communion elements are gluten free. If you so desire, please  
come forward for prayers for healing and anointing of oil while  
the bread is being passed. Children are welcome to participate  
in communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians.*

# 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 "As Jacob with Travel Was Weary"

\*DOXOLOGY #809

\*SONG OF RESPONSE #637 "As Jacob with Travel"  
vv. 1, 2, & 3

\*BENEDICTION

\*SENDING SONG #637 "As Jacob with Travel"  
v. 4

\*POSTLUDE

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