

STUFF TO KNOW... kids & youth MINISTRIES

Dates to Know

TODAY, November 25

NO Children & Worship
NO Sunday School
10:45-11:15AM All All-Ages Choir Practice
4:00PM Advent Adornment

Wednesday, November 28

NO F3
6:15-7:30PM MGYG (5th-8th)
6:30PM HSYG (9th-12th) @ Sanctuary

Sunday, December 2

During Worship Children & Worship *
*Pick up all children @10:45 from room 204.

10:45AM Choir Practice*
*Children participating in the All-Ages Choir will practice during the Congregational Meeting.

4:40-5:45PM Leaps of Faith Practice

Where does my kid go?

LL=Lower Level; UL=Upper Level

Sunday School is in the midst of a renovation hiatus.

Please note these location changes for Children & Worship:

Green (3YO-4YO) UL #201
Purple (K-1st) UL #204
Feast & Music UL #204
All children may be picked up @ 10:45 from room 204.

THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING & CHILDREN

Opportunities for children during the Congregational Meeting following worship on Dec. 2:

- **Nursery**—for 3YO & under
 - **Choir Practice**—Children in All-Ages Choir practice in Fireside Room
 - **Coloring & Games in Rm 204**
- Children may also sit with parents in the meeting.

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

Upper Level: #201 (Green) #204 (Purple)

Sept. 9 - May 5

after children's message*

*These 2 groups join together in room 204 for feast and music time for the last half of C & W. All children may be picked up @ 10:45AM from room 204 (behind Rosalyn DeKoster's office).

Participating in Worship

The Congregation
Ben Jacobsma
Sharon Bartlett, Rosalyn De Koster, Jacob Gabel,
Elizabeth Kensak, Katie Kensak, and Kim Van Es
Pastors Mike & Elizabeth Hardeman
Benjamin Langton

Serving the Lord in Worship
Organist
Praise Team

Leading in Worship
Children's Message



Christ the King Sunday
November 25, 2018

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

*SONG OF WORSHIP "Praise the King"

*GOD'S GREETING

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of Christ's peace with those around you.

SONG OF CONFESSION "Before the Throne of God Above"

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Colossians 1:13-14

Through the crucified and resurrected body of Christ the King,
we are assured of our forgiveness.

**For God "has rescued us from the power of darkness
and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son,
in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."**

Friends, know that in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ,
you are forgiven people. Go forth to live in that peace. **Amen!**

THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*Children will remain with us in worship today. Children's
worship bags are located outside the southeast side of the
sanctuary near the elevator.*

*SONG OF PREPARATION #118 "We Will Glorify"
vv. 1, 2, & 3 with organ
v. 4 a cappella

SCRIPTURE Revelation 1:4-8

SERMON "A Salutation from the Cosmic King"

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.

*CONFESSION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and
earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who
was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was
buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose
again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right
hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living
and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic
Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*SONG OF PRAISE #805 "Glory Be to the Father"

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

STORIES OF GRATITUDE Video

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

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #809

*SONG OF RESPONSE #92 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"
vv. 1, 2, 3, & 4

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING SONG #745 "Jesus Shall Reign"
vv. 1 & 5

*POSTLUDE

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PRAYING FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

Prayers for Peace:

*Ron Kolenbrander (uncle of Sara & Kevin Huysler) - in hospice care at
the Orange City Area Health System Hospital

EVENTS FOR TODAY

10:30-10:45 NO Coffee Fellowship today.

10:45-11:15 AM All-Ages Choir

WHO: Anyone 3 to 103*

WHEN: Practice—November 25; 10:45—11:15AM**

WHERE: the ARC Sanctuary

**EVERYONE is invited to an intergenerational choir experience. The
choir will practice and is preparing a piece that will be sung in
worship on December 9.

4:00 PM Advent Adornment

Decorating begins at 4:00 PM followed by a meal and some carol
singing around 6:00 PM. Main dish is provided, but bring a side to
share. Questions? See Rosalyn De Koster.

4:30 PM Amistad Cristiana Worship in Sioux Center

Worship with your Spanish-speaking brothers and sisters at Amistad
Cristiana, 130 3rd St NW, Sioux Center. Translation headsets are
available.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, November 26—HAPPY HAPPY BIRTHDAY, PASTOR MIKE!!

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

Those of us who participate in the Monday morning prayer group
would like to invite you to join us. These Monday morning prayer
times have become a very sweet time of fellowship with our Lord
and with each other.

Wednesday, November 28

(See back of bulletin for kids and youth events.)

Sunday, December 2

9:30 AM Worship (Sanctuary)


10:45-11:25 AM *Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)

***Congregational Meeting**


All ARC confessing members are invited to attend a congregational
meeting on Sunday, December 2 from 10:45 to 11:25 a.m. At the
congregational meeting, we'll hear a ministry update and we'll vote
on the consistory-proposed 2019 ARC General Fund Budget. The
budget is in your family mailbox this morning, and will be emailed to
those on the congregational mailing list on Monday, November 26.
Childcare will be provided for children in elementary school and
below.

ANNOUNCEMENTS


•2ND SUNDAY GATHERINGS - DECEMBER 9

 Fellowship
Tis the season for Christmas cheer...several ARC members will be hosting 2nd Sunday groups in their homes December 9. Sign-up sheets are at the Welcome Counter in the coffee area (near the church office) or you may email or call pamboonstr@gmail.com. If you call, please leave a message 712-737-4656. 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).


•SIGN-UP TO PROVIDE COOKIES/BARS

 Four weekly volunteers are needed to each provide 4 dozen cookies/bars for coffee fellowship time on a designated Sunday, beginning January 6, 2019. Please stop by the Welcome Center to sign-up TODAY!


•POINSETTIAS FOR SALE

 The ARC Mid-Grade Youth Group (grades 5-8) are selling Christmas Poinsettias, November 18 - December 9, to be used for Christmas worship services. If you wish, plants can be placed in honor or memory of loved ones. The cost per poinsettia is \$30. Color choices include red and white poinsettias. Forms are available at the Welcome Center. Stop by after church to place your order! A portion of the sales will help fund the MGYG Power Connection trip. (Please make check payable to ARC MGYG; Memo Line: Poinsettia). THANK YOU, in advance, for your support of ARC's youth!!!

•DONATE YOUR BREAKFAST BAKES

 The High School Youth Group's annual Christmas Brunch will have a new flavor this year. In this season of construction, we're unable to have our traditional egg-bake brunch. Instead, on Sunday, Dec. 9, our high schoolers will be serving and selling breakfast breads, coffee cakes, muffins, jams, jellies and more. If you like to bake (or have extra jams, jellies or other preserves) and love our high schoolers, donate your breakfast baked goods. Or, if you'd like to donate a "gift certificate" for goods or a service to be delivered at another time, those will be part of a silent auction. Let Tamara Fynaardt know what you'd like to donate in support of our HSYG: email fynaardt@nwciova.edu or text 712-395-1187.

•HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTMAS BAKE FUNDRAISER

 Celebrate the Advent season in the warm company of your church family and friends at the High School Youth Group's annual Christmas Bake Fundraiser, after worship on Sunday, Dec. 9. Come to our festive fellowship area where coffee, tea and juice will be served with homemade breakfast baked goods. After you've had your fill, buy more to take home. And don't forget to browse and bid our silent auction of goods and services. Your freewill offering supports our high school youth as they participate in a Synod-sponsored HIS Work Camp mission trip to Tennessee this summer.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

•DONATE TO ATLAS CHRISTMAS STORE

ATLAS Orange City Area is pleased to host the ATLAS Christmas Store on Saturday, December 8 from 9:00AM-11:00AM in Orange City's City Hall gym, 125 Central Ave. S. The Christmas Store receives new items through donations and greatly reduces the price to provide a shopping opportunity for those feeling a financial strain during the holiday season. If you would like to donate newly purchased items to the store, you may drop them off at the ATLAS office (322 Central Ave. NW) through November 30. Questions or interested in volunteering? Please call ATLAS Orange City Area at 737-4090. Thank you for your generosity!

•NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE MUSIC DEPARTMENT TO PRESENT CHRISTMAS VESPERS

The Northwestern College music department will present its annual Christmas Vespers on Saturday, Dec. 1, at 7 PM and Sunday, Dec. 2, at 3 PM in Christ Chapel. The event is free and open to the public. This year's concert is focused on Christ's coming, his challenge to us, and our response. The event will include performances by numerous musical ensembles and soloists as well as the Drama Ministries Ensemble.