

Sunday, April 11, 2021

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Psalm 105:1

THANK YOU to those who are serving us during worship today.

MUSICIANS: Jan Johnson & Angie Meester

THIS WEEK AT PARKERSBURG CRC

Today 9:30 a.m. – Morning Worship Service
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Life Plus (in person)
Next Sunday 9:30 a.m. – Morning Worship Service
10:00 a.m. – Sunday School

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Carol Watters underwent knee surgery this past week at Allen Hospital. Please keep her in your prayers for healing.

Please remember those of our congregation who live alone and those alone in care facilities through a phone call or a card in these trying days.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Everyone is invited for coffee and fellowship following the worship service this morning.

The second offering next Sunday will be for World Renew.

Sunday School will be held April 18, May 2, and May 16.

130th Anniversary: On April 6, 1891 the Parkersburg CRC held its first service. Twenty-six members were present and 2 elders and 2 deacons were elected. Rev. H. Potgeter was the first pastor and now Rev. Rus Boersma is the 18th. "May all who come behind us find us faithful." The banner hanging on the north wall was made by Mrs. Helen Kramer in 1991 and the "Lighthouse" banner was used for our 125th celebration.

Volunteers are needed for our turn at helping the food pantry. Needed are eight volunteers with a special request for young adults. The date is April 17, starting distribution at 8 AM at the Civic Center.

Hope Reformed Church will host a Men's Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, April 17 starting at 7:30 am. They'll be serving waffles, eggs, bacon and sausage and featuring guest speaker Al Kerns and music by Randy Aalderks. Call ahead to make your reservation today (319) 346-1575.

Timothy Christian School Family Preview Experience: Timothy Christian School is planning personal experiences for any family that would like to tour the school, hear what Christian education has to offer, ask questions, and receive specific information regarding tuition, transportation, lunch, and expectations. If your child is ready to start Kindergarten this fall, he/she will be able to spend time in the classroom with our Kindergarten teacher. One-hour time slots are available for one family at a time to experience Timothy Christian School. Children are welcome! Please contact Dale Akkerman to schedule your personal time slot by calling 319-243-9890. The following date and times are being set aside for you: Saturday, April 17 - 9 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:30 PM, 2 PM, and 3:30 PM. If one of these times does not work for you, an alternate time can be scheduled.

If you would like to send your offerings in by mail, the church address is: Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church, 807 Grant St., Parkersburg, IA 50665

The General Fund Collection for April 4 was \$2,969.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,046.08. The offering for Benevolence totaled \$141.00.

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

Morning Service

April 11, 2021 – 9:30 AM

WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship: Psalm 42:1-2a

*Song: TCH 338 **Wonderful Grace of Jesus** (book only)

*God's Greeting

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Song: TCH 343 **Amazing Grace**

Old Testament Reading: **Isaiah 11** (pg. 1077)

*Hymn: TCH 347 **And Can It Be**

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering: 1) General Fund
2) Faith Promise

Hymn: TCH 348 **My Savior's Love**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **Luke 24:13-35** (pg. 1642)

Message: **TROUBLED HEARTS HEALED**

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 353 **Victory In Jesus**

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 340 **Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus**

*Postlude

Council Notes of April 5, 2021

The Council meeting of April 5, 2021 was opened by the reading of Psalm 4. Prayer was given by Pastor Rus.

Article 1: Minutes of the March 1 meeting was read and approved.

Article 2: Correspondence was reviewed.

Article 3: Ministry Reports

- Pastors Report: A monthly report of activities and mileage was received for information.
- Elders Report: No report.
- Pulpit Committee: (Marlyn Allspach) Pastor Rus will have pulpit supply on May 16 in Britt Iowa at the Crossroad Ministry.
- Worship Committee: (Ken Meester) No report.
- Attendance Report: (Clayton Groeneveld) There was 37.8 average attendance with 13 live streaming.
- Outreach Committee: (Marlyn Allspach) No report.
- Discipleship Committee: (Mike Asher) Last day of Life Plus is scheduled for April 28. Sunday school last day will be May 16.
- Building and Grounds Committee: (Harold Coplan) Kevin Meester will be doing the lawn mowing for this year. It was decided that an exterminator is not needed at this time.

Article 4: Financial Reports and Concerns (deacons)

- Receipts of \$10,304.85 was received
- Budget amount is \$8,866.33 is needed a month. Giving us a \$1,438.52 profit for the month. YTD shortfall is - \$23.55.
- John and Karen Oltman are going to audit the books.

Article 5: Old Business

- Church Insurance is being reviewed.
- Plans are to budget \$573.00 to Pastor Rus for life insurance.

Article 6: New Business

- Communion to the shut-ins are being planned.

Article 7: Motion was made and supported to adjourn the meeting.

Article 8: Concept minutes were read and approved.

Article 9: Closing prayer was given by Harold Coplan.

Respectfully submitted:

Pastor Rus Boersma

Clerk: Ken Meester

Members Present:

Pastor Rus
Marlyn Allspach
Mike Ascher
Harold Coplan
Ken Meester

Members Absent:

Mike Stirling

Next meeting is scheduled for May 3, 2021