

Sunday, January 17, 2010
Morning Order of Worship

WE WORSHIP OUR CREATOR

Prelude and Personal Meditation

*Call to Worship from Psalm 100

*Hymn of Praise: ***"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"*** #460 : 1, 3, 4

*God's Greeting

*Hymn of Praise: ***"Let All Things Now Living"*** #453 : 1 - 2

WE OFFER OUR CONFESSION AND INTERCESSION

God's Will for Our Lives

Prayers of the People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS OF THANKS

Ministry Update: "Joni and Friends Family Retreat" by Emily Kiel and Vicki Palmbos

Offerings: Capital Improvement, General Fund

Offertory

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

*Song of Preparation: ***"Ancient Words"*** Vs. 1 - 2

Scripture: Genesis 1 : 26 - 27

Message: ***Imago Dei***

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Response: ***"God, You Spin the Whirling Planets"*** Vs. 1 - 2

GOD BLESSES US AS WE PART

*Benediction

*Doxology: ***"God, You Spin the Whirling Planets"*** Vs. 3

*Postlude and Christian Fellowship

Pastor: Rev. Dave Jolman

Pianist: Kim Byker

*Congregation stands if able

JANUARY 17 AT FIRST

A.M. Service: Scripture: Genesis 1 : 26 - 27 Message: ***Imago Dei*** Today is Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. Why is life sacred and holy? What does the Bible say about who we are as people, whether unborn, old, male or female? And what difference does it all make?

P.M. Service: Scripture: Romans 8 : 14 - 17 Series: ***The Transformed Life***
Message: ***Assurance*** Do you ever find yourself questioning your value or worth? Do you ever wonder if you are truly saved? As we continue our study of Romans 8 we'll find how the Holy Spirit gives us assurance of salvation. Offering: Right to Life Educational Fund

JANUARY 24 AT FIRST

A.M. Service: Scripture: Luke 6 : 37 - 42 Message: **20/20 Vision** On this Sunday we will thank God for the ministry of the Calvinist Cadet Corp. Our worship service will be centered on the Cadet theme verse for the year which comes from Jesus' parable in Luke 6.
Offering: Faith Promise, General Fund

P.M. Service: Scripture: Romans 8 : 18 - 25 Series: **The Transformed Life**
Message: **Waiting** We'll continue our study of Romans 8. in this passage we are led to think about the reality of waiting through times of suffering. How does faith operate in times like this?
Offering: Safe Haven Ministries

CHURCH NOTES

This evening you will be invited to participate in a walk-up choir. We will be singing "Blessed Assurance: Jesus Is Mine" (Psalter Hymnal 490). There will not be a rehearsal for this impromptu choir.

Firm Foundation continues today. There is a sign-up sheet at the welcome center for those who would be willing to contribute a snack for the group sessions.

Vision Team Survey-Ron Moelker recently updated the congregation on the Vision Team's work and also introduced a new survey we would like the congregation (6th grade and up) to fill out and **return by January 24**. The survey includes opportunities for service in our church, our community and also alongside others already doing ministry locally. Please read over the survey and prayerfully consider where you can serve God, His Church, and community. God has given everyone a gift that he wants us to use to further His kingdom. Romans 12:4-8

Extra surveys are in the Welcome Center. Please place completed surveys in the box. Any questions please contact one of the Vision Team members-Ron Moelker, Harry Vander Brug, Ray Ponstein, Ben Bouma, Hessel DeJong, Pastor Dave, Kim Byker, Cheri Huisman, Joanne Victory, Ev Hamberg

Congregation: Come out and support The Youth Group at a Soup Supper, Wednesday, January 20 from 5 - 7 PM. There is a sign-up sheet on the welcome center to make either soup, BBQ or desserts. Thanks for your help!

Council Note: Last summer Synod requested that the Belhar Confession be discussed and studied within the churches. At next month's council meeting, as well as at our February Classis meeting, we will be discussing the Belhar Confession. If you have anything you'd like to contribute to our discussion please put it in writing and give to the Council Clerk, Bob Koops.

OUR CHURCH GIVING: Last Week - General Fund: Budget: \$5297.00 Collected: \$6807.75
Benevolent Fund: \$507.50; Audio Scripture Ministries: \$199.00

Walk Thru the New Testament Seminar

COMING ON January 31: By experiencing *Walk Thru the New Testament*, each participant will walk where Jesus walked, relive the birth and growth of the early church, and journey with the apostle Paul to the ends of the earth. Each also will come to see how God used ordinary people - people like you and me - to do extraordinary things. At the end of this fun, interactive seminar you will be able to:

- Arrange the events of Jesus life in sequence.
- Discover how the four gospels complement each other.
- Tie together the structure of the New Testament into a complete whole.

Register before January 24 to get the discounted rate.

NEEDED: Volunteers to help with the Kids track; A person willing to help out in the kitchen; Cookie donations; Contact our church office if you are willing to help.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

A Birthday to Remember: *Agnes Huizenga* will celebrate her birthday on January 18.

Prayer and Praise....

This week's prayer focus: *For salvation.* Romans 1 : 16 promises "the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes." May we learn to trust God early in our lives and remain faithfully committed to His ways.

Our Sick:

Dick Dyke was admitted to St. Mary's Hospital with pneumonia.

Joyce Koopman was admitted to Spectrum Hospital last week.

Fred Holwerda is residing at Faith Hospice, Trillium Woods.

Our Shut-ins:

Jeanette Gras' daily routine is fairly the same with all her needs provided for at Providence Health Center.

Betty Feyen tires very easily but still enjoys having visitors while a resident at Sheldon Meadows.

Agnes Huizenga is doing well and is thankful for God's daily blessings and this New Year.

Jim Koops is bothered daily with pain but enjoys the time with visitors while at Laurels.

Emma Wiegers enjoys every day but is becoming more limited and in need of assistance.

Thank you to First CRC for the gift basket and to the congregation for the cards and well wishes I received throughout the Christmas season. Special thanks to Rev. Holwerda and the group of carolers who came and sang for me. It was very much appreciated. **Agnes Huizenga**

CHURCH SERVICE SCHEDULE

NURSERY TODAY

AM - Katelyn Byker, Lisa Spoelma, Cassie Helms

PM - Sheri Palmbos, Kara Helms

Molly's Helper: AM - Kendra Bouma

PM - Doug Krikke

NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY

AM - Judi Woodwyk, Brooke Timmer, Joey Schreur

PM - Cheri Huisman, Karrah Velderman

Molly's Helper: AM - Cindy Palmbos

PM - Sandy Helms

USHERS

AM - Tim Timmer, Blake Timmer, Jeff Persenaire, Joe Persenaire

PM - Harry VanderBrug, Rog VanLoo, Matt Bos, John Bosscher

COFFEE SERVER

TODAY

Shirley VanderBrug

NEXT SUNDAY

Gayle Rillema

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TODAY

10:45 Sunday School and Catechism

10:45 Firm Foundation Class until 12:00

4:30 Prayer Meeting until 5:15

7:00 Youth Group - Snack: Jacob Graveling, Hannah Stone

MONDAY

7:00 Elders Meeting

WEDNESDAY

5:00 Youth Group Soup Supper until 7:00 PM

7:00 Cadets - Club Meeting

7:00 GEMS Meeting

THURSDAY

7:30 Bible Fellowship will meet. Lesson 10 - Ruth 4