

Sunday, May 2, 2010
Morning Order of Worship

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Prelude and Personal Meditation

*Call to Worship from Psalm 147

*Hymn of Praise: **"Sing Praise to Our Creator"** #147 : 1 - 3, 5

*God's Greeting

*Hymn of Praise: **"Meekness and Majesty"** Vs. 1 - 3

*Greeting One Another

WE OFFER OUR INTERCESSION

Congregational Prayer

GOD REVEALS HIMSELF THROUGH HIS WORD

*Song of Preparation: **"With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring"** #183 : 1, 3, 4

Scripture: Matthew 5 : 1 - 12

Ministry in Music by Vocal Ensemble: **"Blest Are They"**

Series: **The Upside-Down Kingdom**

Message: **"Blessed are the Meek"**

WE OFFER OUR CONFESSION AND GIFTS OF THANKSGIVING

Prayer of Confession

God's Will for Our Lives

Offerings: East Ottawa Special Ministry, General Fund

Song of Response: **"Be Unto Your Name"** Vs. 1 - 2

GOD BLESSES US AS WE PART

*Benediction

*Doxology: **"Sing Praise to Our Creator"** #147 : 4

Congregational Approval of Elder and Deacon Nominees

*Postlude and Christian Fellowship

Pastor: Rev. Dave Jolman

Pianist: Kim Byker

*Congregation stands if able

MAY 2 AT FIRST

A.M. Service: Scripture: Matthew 5 : 5 Series: *The Upside-Down Kingdom*

Message: **Blessed are the Meek** Of all the beatitudes, this one seems to be the most out of touch with reality. The law of the jungle and of our society is “blessed are the strong”. But this morning we’ll see that in God’s Kingdom our expectations and assumptions are turned upside-down.

P.M. Service: Scripture: Psalm 27 Message: **Praying our Fears** What frightens you? How do you deal with your fears? Psalm 27 expresses the reality of this fear and gives us insight into how to manage our fears. Offering: International Aid

MAY 9 AT FIRST

A.M. Service: Scripture: Matthew 5 : 6 Series: *The Upside-Down Kingdom* Message: **Blessed are Those Who Hunger and Thirst.** Hunger is what drives us; whether it’s for food, pleasure, or power. In this message we’ll examine what Jesus means by hungering and thirsting for righteousness. Offering: Benevolent Fund, General Fund

P.M. Service: Scripture: Psalm 13 Message: **Praying our Tears** The Psalms are strikingly real to life. In them we find praise and thanksgiving, but also very honest expressions of fear and sadness. Psalm 13 is one of the psalms of lament. In this service we’ll discover together how to read and pray this psalm. Offering: Roosevelt Park Ministries

CHURCH NOTES

From the Council: The following names have been chosen for the office of **Elder** for the next term. **Bill Brouwer, Dan Helms, Mike Krikke, Jim Plooster, Ray Ponstein, Keith Rillema, Steve Schnyders, Roger Spoelma, Tim Timmer.** For the office of **Deacon** the following names have been chosen. **Matt Bos, Jeff Brinks, Tom Caryl, Jesse DeHaan, Jack Huisman, Brian Kiel, Jeff Persenaire.** **Congregational meeting** to approve the names will be held at the end of this morning’s service. Elders and deacons will be chosen by lot at the beginning of the evening service.

This Thursday is the National Day of Prayer. Messiah CRC has invited us to a worship service at 7:30 PM. Refreshments will be served after the service.

Interested in going on a mission trip? Post-high and up are welcome to come to a short meeting following the morning service on June 6 for some information on a weekend mission trip this fall. If you are interested in learning more, please sign-up on the sheet located on the information desk. Talk to Sarah Potts or De Koster with any questions you may have. Thanks!

Young at Heart (Seniors) Sign up today or next week for the TOUR of Sharon Schut’s scaled down replicas of old area buildings he has crafted and antiques he has collected on Thursday, May 13. Meet at church at 9:30 AM. Lunch to follow at Hudsonville Rainbow. Any questions, call Joyce Holwerda at 662-0581.

Ladies Spring Bike Trip: Ladies, we are taking a Bike Ride to Rockford for lunch and shopping on May 20. We will leave church at 9:30 and bring our bikes to a staging area. There are 2 distances available. There is a sign up sheet on the welcome center. Questions. See Amy Jolman

OUR CHURCH GIVING: Last Week - General Fund: Budget: \$5297.00 Collected: \$4877.00 Faith Promise: \$1665.00; Hands of Hope: \$159.00

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations! To Kevin and Cindy Palmbos on the birth of a healthy baby girl, Katelyn Joy on Friday, April 16.

Birthdays to Remember: *Dorothy Victory* will celebrate her 80th birthday on May 7 and *Jeanette DeJong* will celebrate her 101st birthday on May 9.

New Address: Trina DeGroot, 725 Baldwin Street #120, Jenison, MI 49428

Prayer and Praise....

This week's prayer focus: *For spiritual and emotional growth.* May God bless us with strong emotional and spiritual growth, to be like Jesus, who "grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men." Luke 2 : 52

Our Sick & Shut-ins:

Carl Dykema is doing as well as expected and is able to work a few days each week. He is staying at Hudsonville Christian Assisted Living.

Dorothy Klammer continues to improve while recovering at home.

Irene Mesbergen is improving while in therapy at Tendercare, Wyoming, MI.

Edson Nyhuis is receiving his care as a resident of Cambridge Manor.

Norma Karsten wishes to thank everyone for the many cards on her recent birthday and the warm welcome to First Church.

CHURCH SERVICE SCHEDULE

NURSERY TODAY

AM - Kristin Buskard, Brooke Timmer, Tucker Kooman

PM - Sheri Palmbos, Jennie Ponstein

Molly's Helper: AM - Rhonda Kiel

PM - Tom Caryl

NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY

AM - Lauren Huisman, Jake Horstman, Olivia Schreur

PM - Tammy Schnyders, Kara Helms

Molly's Helper: AM - Kelly Caryl

PM - Barbi Schreur

USHERS

AM - Jake Graveling, Brian Kooman, Tom Koopman, Josh Krikke

PM - Mike Krikke, Nate Krikke, Eric Los, Matt Peters

COFFEE SERVER

TODAY

Dawn DeKievit

NEXT SUNDAY

Gayle Rillema

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TODAY

4:30 Prayer Meeting

7:00 Youth Group - Snack: Joel Horstman, Jake Horstman

MONDAY

6:30 Deacons Meeting

7:00 Council Meeting

THURSDAY

7:30 Prayer Day Service at Messiah CRC

FRIDAY

5:00 Cadets meet at church for the ICC Campout