

Sunday November 18, 2018

We welcome all who worship with us today

Prayer Needs:

- God's blessing on the preached Word today.
- For the suffering among us, those sorrowing the loss of loved ones, those with afflictions of the body, mind and spirit, the lonely and the elderly.
- For revival of God's work in our country, for uprightness among our leaders.
- Pray for favorable weather for our farmers to finish up the harvest, and for safety in the fields.
- Our widows, widower and others, who especially feel the loss of loved ones as we enter the holiday season.
- Thanksgiving for the overwhelming goodness and mercy of the Lord shown to each of us in our church, our homes, schools, work, and nation.

Announcements:

Today: Pastor Elshout serves. Coffee & fellowship following the morning service. Catechism, Sunday School and the Adult Class @ 11:20 am.

1st Offering: General Fund 2nd Offering: Building Fund

Next Lord's Day: Pastor Elshout serves. 2nd Offering: Local Mission Fund

Thursday: *Thanksgiving Day*, morning worship service at 9:30 am.

PRTS Student Mr. Jacob-Jan Matze serves. 1st Offering: General Fund
2nd Offering: Parsonage Fund

Word & Deed Dinner will be held on Thursday, November 29 at the Main Street Plaza, 1129 Main Street, Rock Valley. Doors open at 6:30 pm for a social time, dinner will be served at 7:00 pm. There is still time to register for this worthwhile event; come here about the Lord's work in Haiti through *Word & Deed*.

Christmas Soup Supper & Singalong, will be held at the *Hull Community Center* on Friday, December 7, @ 6:30 pm. See the sign up in the narthex for food. Also, all those families with children have a sheet in their mailbox, please practice these songs with your children at home. More practice info to follow.

Thank You, *Soup Supper Committee*

Would you like to make a difference in the lives of children? If you are 55 or better, the Foster Grandparent Program would love to help you get started! Volunteer benefits may be available. Foster Grandparent volunteers impact their local communities while assisting students at local schools and non-profit daycares. (or) Would you like to make a difference for other adults in the Hull area? The Senior Companion Program would love to help you get started! Volunteer benefits may be available. Senior Companion volunteers work with adults one-on-one to help them maintain their independence in their own homes through visiting & assistance. Be that friend & companion to someone who can use your support to improve their quality of life. For more information about being a volunteer or receiving Senior Companion services, contact the nearest Senior Companion office at or 712-476-2628 or view their website www.rvrseniorvolunteerprograms.org.

November:

Wednesday 14th: Ladies' Bible Study, same place and time

Tuesday 20th: Singing at *Whispering Heights*, Rock Valley at 6:30 pm

Thursday 22nd: *Thanksgiving Day*, morning worship service at 9:30 am

Wednesday 28th: Ladies' Bible Study, same place and time

Thursday 29th: *Word and Deed Dinner*, Main Street Plaza, Rock Valley, 6:30 pm

December:

Sunday 2nd: Advent Season begins

Wednesday 5th: Ladies' Bible Study, same place and time

Wednesday 5th: Family Night, Hope Haven at 6:50 pm

Friday 7th: Christmas Soup Supper and Singalong

Tuesday 11th: Singing at *Royale Meadows*, Sioux Center at 6:30 pm

Tuesday 11th: Consistory Meeting at church at 7:00 pm

Wednesday 12th: Ladies Bible study, same place and time

Tuesday 25th: Christmas Day, morning worship service at 9:30 am

Monday 31st: New Year's Eve, evening worship service at 7:00 pm

Members and friends with ongoing needs:

Nellie Fintelman George & Chris Vonk Wilma Koedam

Birthdays:

November 22: Leah Van Beek

November 23: Jason Davelaar

Greeters:

November 18: Larry and DeeAnn Villalobos

November 25: Bob and Marilyn Groeneweg

Lunch Schedule:

November 18: Marilyn G. and Kerri G.

November 25: Amanda G. and Marlene VH

Nursery Schedule:

November 18: Morning: Kerri R. and Mylie Z.

Evening: Leah VB and Madelynn Z.

Thanksgiving Day: Amber Z. and Rayna M.

November 25: Morning: Kenzie Z. and Eliana P.

Evening: Paige C. and Olivia VB

Grateful acknowledgement is given for the following collections:

10/07/18 General - \$1,603.00 10/07/18 HRC Mission - \$1,740.00

10/14/18 General - \$798.00 10/14/18 HRCS - \$2,540.00

10/21/18 General - \$1,764.00 10/21/18 Building - \$1,910.00

10/28/18 General - \$761.00 10/28/18 HRCS - \$1,440.00

HRCS balance: (\$5,504.48)

~All the LORD willing~

1863 Presidential Proclamation

by President Abraham Lincoln

Heritage Reformed Congregation

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Whereas, the Senate of the United States, devoutly recognizing the Supreme Authority and just Government of Almighty God, in all the affairs of men and of nations, has, by a resolution, requested the President to designate and set apart a day for National prayer and humiliation.

And whereas it is the duty of nations as well as of men, to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God, to confess their sins and transgressions, in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord.

And, insomuch as we know that, by His divine law, nations like individuals are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world, may we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war, which now desolates the land, may be but a punishment, inflicted upon us, for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole People? We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven. We have been preserved, these many years, in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and power, as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us!

It behooves us then, to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness.

It has seemed to me fit and proper that God should be solemnly, reverently, and gratefully acknowledged, as with one heart and one voice, by the whole American people. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the the United States, and also those at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November as a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth on the heavens.

All this being done, in sincerity and truth, let us then rest humbly in the hope authorized by the Divine teachings, that the united cry of the Nation will be heard on high, and answered with blessings, no less than the pardon of our national sins, and the restoration of our now divided and suffering Country, to its former happy condition of unity and peace.



“To see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary.” Psalm 63:2

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