

Sunday ~ May 12, 2019

~We welcome all who worship with us today~

Prayer Needs:

- The Holy Spirit's blessing on the preaching of the Word today, may the Lord Jesus Christ be our only hope in life and in death.
- For the repentance and full restoration of those who have been placed under the first step of church discipline.
- Those sorrowing the loss of loved ones, those with afflictions of the body, mind and spirit, the lonely, elderly, widowers and widows in our midst.
- Godly wisdom for our nation's leaders, and revival of His work in our land.
- Danica DeMeester, as she is still struggling with neurological symptoms. Pray for wisdom for the physicians and full restoration of health.
- God's blessing, strength and wisdom for all our mothers, grandmothers and foster mothers.

"Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints . . . Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen."

Ephesians 6: 18 & 24

Announcements:

Today: Pastor Elshout serves. Coffee & fellowship following the morning service. Catechism, Sunday School and the Adult Class at 11:20 am. Today Pastor Elshout will give a presentation about his Serbia trip to the Adult Class

1st Offering: General Fund 2nd Offering: PRTS

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

Retreat: Register now! All 18-35-year-olds are warmly invited to the *Heritage Spring Retreat* from Friday, May 17 through Monday, May 20, 2019 at Maple Grove Christian Retreat Centre in Thamesford, Ontario. This year, we hope to focus our attention and topics around the theme of "Transformed," with the title of "Holy and Acceptable". In addition to cabins, there are some accommodations for married couples. Camping and tenting sites are also available. Cost of the retreat is \$225.00 if you register before April 30. Visit www.HeritageRetreat.ca to register.

Habitat Sponsor A Stud Challenge! - SIGN UP NOW to sponsor one or more 2x4 studs for \$50 each to help build the Orange City Habitat House! We will deliver the stud(s) to you, so you can decorate it with Bible verses, encouraging words, prayers, pictures, etc. The decorated studs will be framed into the house, and everyone will be invited to a Stud Finder Open House later on to see the studs and pray for the project. There are **380** studs for the house, and we'd love to see them all decorated with love! Sign up by contacting Kurt Franje: 641-780-9054 or kfranje@siouxlandhabitat.org

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"Election is not God's decision to keep people out of the kingdom who want to get in; it is God's decision to save people who would stubbornly go to hell if left to themselves." Joel Beeke

May:

Sunday 5th: Mr. Simon Yin serves

Tuesday 14th: Consistory meeting, 7:00 pm at church

Tuesday 21st: Singing at *Whispering Heights*, Rock Valley at 6:30 pm

June:

Sunday 2nd: Pastor Kranendonk serves

Sunday 9th: Last meeting for the season of Sunday School and Catechism Class

Thursday 13th: Singing at *Royale Meadows, Neighborhood Room, Sioux Center* @ 6:30

Sunday 16th: Lord's Supper, morning worship service

Tuesday 18th: Male Membership Meeting, at church at 7:00 pm

Sunday 24th: Pastor Kelderman serves

VBS: Children ages 4-11 please sign up for VBS. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex. Register by June 1, so adequate craft supplies can be ordered. Thanks!

Members and friends with ongoing needs:

Nellie Fintelman Wilma Koedam George & Chris Vonk

Greeters:

May 12: Mitch and Paige Claussen

May 19: John and Stacy Zomer

Lunch Schedule: *

May 12: Emily VB and Carolyn B.

May 19: Stacy Z. and Barb G.

*If you are unable to do lunch on your assigned day, kindly see the master list in the kitchen and work out a trade. Thanks!

Also, thanks to all who bring and serve food each Sunday so we can enjoy fellowship as a congregation.

Nursery Schedule:

May 12: Morning: Julie P. and Olivia VB

Evening: Kerri R. and Haley VV

May 19: Morning: Leah VB and Ava Z.

Evening: Amber Z. and Alexa Z.

Grateful acknowledgement is given for the following collections:

4/07/19 General - 1,324.00 4/07/19 HRC Denominational Fund - 1,016.00

4/14/19 General - 731.00 4/14/19 PRTS - 932.00

4/19/19 General - 331.00 (Good Friday)

4/21/19 General - 3,744.00 4/21/19 Parsonage - 2,286.00

4/28/19 General - 925.00 4/28/19 Construction - 8,258.00

~All the LORD willing~

Worship and Praise

"I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name." Psalm 138:2

Praise and worship are widely taught in Scripture but are seldom used to describe the same actions. "Worship" describes an attitude of obeisance and reverence (usually by bowing or prostrating) during a formal act of sacrifice or some other structured observance. "Praise," especially this word used in Psalm 138, emphasizes joyous thanksgiving, recognizing God's specific blessing or God's worthiness in character, power, deed, or authority.

There are only two events recorded in Scripture where the people of God both "worshipped" and "praised" at the same time. The first was at the dedication of the great temple of Solomon. When the prayer of dedication was finished, the fire of God's glory descended on the temple and entered the Holy of Holies. That awesome event drove everyone to their knees "with their faces to the ground upon the pavement, and [they] worshipped, and praised the LORD" (2 Chronicles 7:3).

The other occurred right after Ezra led a remnant back from Babylon. As the people heard the Word read to them for the first time in many decades, they became so convicted of their disobedience that they began to cry and confess their sin. They stood for about three hours and "confessed [same word as 'praise'], and worshipped the LORD their God" (Nehemiah 9:3).

In neither case did the people jump up and down, clap, or otherwise demonstrate exuberance. They were so overwhelmed at the presence of God that they fell down on their faces! Then they poured out their heart in intimate worship and praise for His lovingkindness, His truth, His name, His being, and His attributes, because God has magnified His Word above all His Name.

Dr. Henry M. Morris III

Heritage Reformed Congregation

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*"O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel
before the LORD our maker." Psalm 95:6*



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