

Sunday ~ May 19, 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, especially in light of the fact that the "Equality Bill" has passed the House. Pray that this evil legislation will proceed no further.
- For favorable weather for our farmers, and also for their safety during the busy planting season.
- Thanksgiving for Danica DeMeester's improved health, pray for complete restoration of health and strength.

Members and friends with ongoing needs:

Nellie Fintelman Wilma Koedam George & Chris Vonk

Announcements:

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

1st Offering: General Fund 2nd Offering: Local Mission Fund

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

"The Battle for Your Soul" is the theme for this year's *HRC Youth Conference* to be held at Camp Michawana in Hastings Michigan, July 9-12. All young people ages 15-25 are strongly encouraged to attend! Sign up by June 10 for the discounted registration fee. Please pick up a brochure in the narthex for more information, and go to heritagereformedgr.org/ministries/youth/youth-conference to register. The website includes a link to pay via PayPal.

"The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." John 10:10

Habitat Sponsorship! - 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; we'd love to see them all decorated with love! Sign up: Kurt Franje, 641-780-9054 kfranje@siouxlandhabitat.org

Membership: Per his request, the membership papers for Tim Spaans have been sent to *Faith Reformed Church* in Rock Valley. We commend him to the grace of God.

May:

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

"The Ten Commandments" is the theme for *Vacation Bible School* this year:

Parents of children ages 4-11 please sign up for VBS; the sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex. You are also encouraged to sign up your grandchildren and any friends who are interested! Please register by June 1, so adequate craft supplies can be ordered. VBS will be held on July 22, 23 & 25, 6-8 pm at church. Thanks!

Anniversary:

Gib and Marlene Van Hill, 50 years on May 22

Birthdays:

May 19: Ashtyn Claussen

May 19: Amber Zomer

May 21: Erin Bailey

Greeters:

May 19: John and Stacy Zomer

May 26: Esther VDB, Emily P. and Leah VB

Lunch Schedule:

May 19: Stacy Z. and Barb G.

May 26: Paige C. and Misty D.

Nursery Schedule:

May 19: Morning: Leah VB and Ava Z.

Evening: Amber Z. and Alexa Z.

May 26: Morning: Kenzie Z. and Brynlie Z.

Evening: Paige C. and Cianna 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~

Running to Christ

“The name of the LORD is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.” Proverbs 18:10

When one realizes that he is lost and that only Christ can save him, he should not delay a moment but come immediately to Christ. There are, in fact, several men in the New Testament who actually ran to Him.

There was the man possessed with a whole legion of demons. “But when he saw Jesus afar off, he ran and worshipped him” Mark 5:6, and Jesus set him free.

Then there was a young man who wanted to learn of Christ. When he found that Jesus was going away, he came “running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?” Mark 10:17. Unfortunately, his sincerity failed when he realized the cost. Zeal without sacrifice is dead, as is faith without works.

There was another wealthy man who was willing to pay the price. “And [Zacchaeus] ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way” (Luke 19:4). The conversion of Zacchaeus was genuine, and he demonstrated it by a changed and sacrificial life.

In Christ’s suffering on the cross, He spoke of His awful thirst, and an unknown observer “ran and filled a sponge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink” Mark 15:36. Christ will not forget this expression of concern and sympathy.

After His burial, Mary Magdalene came back to tell Peter and John that the tomb was open. “So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre. . . and he saw, and believed” John 20:4-8.

All who hasten wholeheartedly to Christ, sincerely seeking to know and serve Him, will find salvation in His name, for “the name of the LORD is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.”

~Dr. Henry M. Morris

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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