# *Sunday September 19, 2021*

*~We welcome all who worship with us today~*

- God's blessing on Word and Sacrament today.
- Those sorrowing the loss of loved ones, those with afflictions of the body, mind & spirit, the lonely, elderly, widower & widows in our midst.
- A spiritual and enduring transformation of our families, church, nation and our leaders, bringing us back to the Lord & living according to His word
- HRC Missions in South Africa, Sumba Indonesia and local outreaches.
- Our military personnel, especially those in harm's way.
- Each of us as we go about our daily callings at home, work or school, may we all seek to live lives that glorify God our creator.
- For the persecuted church worldwide, and for all the people suffering under a terrorist or dictator regime.
- Safety for our farmers as the busy harvest season begins.

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**Today:** Pastor Elshout serves at 9:30am and 6:00pm
**This morning**: Coffee and fellowship following the morning service
No Sunday School or Catechism this morning due to Lord's Supper
1st Offering: General Fund 2nd Offering: Benevolent Fund
**The Lord's Supper** will be administered during the morning service. All members who are needy sinners and find their hope alone in Christ Jesus are encouraged to remember the death of the Lord at His table. All nonmembers who desire to partake should first contact the consistory.

**Next Lord's Day**: Pastor Elshout serves at 9:30am and 6:00pm. Fellowship following the AM service. Catechism and Sunday School at 11:20am to 12:05pm
2nd Offering: General Fund

**Faith, Family, Fellowship (3F) Groups:** The purpose of the 3F group is to provide our church members with another opportunity for fellowship. Each quarter the leader will assign groups of 2 families that will be encouraged to meet once a month. These groups will start to meet in October of 2021. Please see the sheet in the narthex to sign up if you wish to participate. Questions? Becky Van Der Brink

**Church Family Activity Evenings**: Our monthly gatherings will start on Wednesday, October 6 at 6:50pm at Hope Haven. We will meet the first Wednesday of each month. Please see the sheet in the narthex to sign up each adult, and your children with their age/grade level. There is also a snack sign up, please add your name there too. Questions? John & Stacy or Chris & Becky

**Remember those who are confined or have ongoing needs:**

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| Henrietta Van Beek | Wilma Van Beek |
| Marge Vander Toorn | Nellie Fintelman |

**September:**
Sunday 19th: *Lord's Supper*, morning service

**October:**
Sunday 3rd: Youth Group meets following the evening service
Tuesday 5th: Consistory Meeting, 7pm at church
Wednesday 6th: Church Family Night, Hope Haven at 6:50pm
Thur. 7th, Fri. 8th: *Tri-State Bible Conference* (see note)
Sunday 17th: Student Luis Loaiza serves
Sunday 31st: *Reformation Day*

**Birthdays:**
September 19: Clarice Elshout
September 19: Becky Van Der Brink
September 21: Heather Van Grootheest
September 22: Elliet Claussen
September 22: Brielle Maassen

**Greeters**:
September 19: John and Barb Groeneweg
September 26: Chris and Becky Van Der Brink

**Lunch:**
September 19: Kerri R. and Amber Z.
September 26: Barb G. and Heather VG

**Nursery:**
**September 19:**
AM: Jessica and Jaelyn K.
PM: Lexi R.
**September 26**:
AM: Annette M. and Brielle M
PM: Cheney M.

**The congregation is acknowledged for the following August collections:**

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| General Fund: | $8,057 | Education Fund: | $1,216 |
| HRC Mission: | $1,275 | PRTS: | $1,401 |
| Student Support: | $1,346 | | |

**Tri-State Bible Conference: "***Christians Get Depressed Too"* – The Tri-State Bible Conference welcomes Dr. David Murray to the BJ Haan Auditorium at Dordt University on October 7 and 8 at 7:00 pm to speak to us from God's Word on the topic of Depression: The Hidden Affliction. The goal of this conference is to strengthen and encourage the people of God and we consider this to be a highly relevant topic for our times. There is no charge although there will be a free will offering to defray the cost of the event. For more information go to www.tristatebibleconference.com or contact Rev. John Vermeer at jvermeer61@hotmail.com

*"I have provided me a king."*
I Samuel 16:1

When you consider the unfolding of God's gracious purpose from the beginning of creation you will notice that it has almost always occurred at those times when human reason would have least expected it. The first gospel promise was made after they had rebelled against their Maker, tried their own way, and hid in fear behind the trees of the garden. Also, the first open manifestation of the everlasting covenant was made after all flesh had corrupted its way on earth and the flood had decimated the human race leaving only eight souls surviving. We see this same principle as it relates to God setting up David as king. For upwards of five centuries a general state of lawlessness prevailed when "every man did that which was right in his own eyes" (Judges 21:25). Yet even at the darkest hour, God had already prepared the instrument of His deliverance; it was "a man after God's own heart."

Now notice that this principle of unexpected grace operates in our lives today. The default religion of fallen man is human merit; Adam proved that. Perhaps you imagine God will bring about some disaster in your life because you've not been as faithful as you ought. Or perhaps you imagine God will never save your loved one because his or her behavior right now is deserving of wrath and not mercy.

Remember that when Israel was as wicked as could be, God sent a king after His own heart. This of course, is the heart of the gospel. When humanity was in its darkest hour, God provided a King, a greater than David—*Jesus Christ*. And such grace came when we would least have expected it; "*while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us*" Romans 5:8

*~Word in Season*

# *Heritage Reformed Congregation*

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*"How amiable are thy tabernacles, O LORD of hosts! Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be still praising thee. Selah." Psalm 84:1&5*

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