

April 18, 2021

Order of Worship

Morning Worship - 9:30 AM

Silent Prayer
Votum and Salutation*
Psalter* 257:1, 2, 3
Reading of the Law
Reading of Scripture
Psalter* 41:3-7
Pastoral Prayer
Psalter* 355
Sermon
Prayer
Psalter* 141
Benediction*
Doxology - Psalter* 265:1, 2

Song Service - 5:50 PM

Psalter 103: all
Psalter 107:3, 4

Evening Worship - 6:00 PM

Silent Prayer
Votum and Salutation*
Psalter* 423:1, 4, 7
Reading of Scripture
Psalter 151:1, 2, 4, 5
Apostles' Creed
Pastoral Prayer
Psalter* 212 (second tune)
Sermon
Prayer
Psalter* 81
Benediction*
Doxology - Psalter* 308:3, 4

*Please stand if you are able.

Sermon:

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The Sanctity of Marriage

Scripture: Genesis 2:18-25
Matthew 5:27-32
Text: Matthew 5:27-32 (LD 41)

Doubting Thomas

Scripture: John 20
Text: John 20:24-29

Church Family

Homebound:

Mrs. Barb Kwekel
Pastor Al Martin
Miss Ruth Post
Mrs. Esther Richards
Mrs. Lorraine Slopsema
Mr. Teunis VanderGraaf

Remember in Prayer:

Mrs. Ruth Langerak
Mr. Bill Moerdyk
Mr. Bob Timmer
Mrs. Laurina VanderSloot
Mrs. Minnie Ann VanKempen

Serving our Country:

Calvin Vlietstra

Home Missionary:

Pastor Young Jae Lee & Family
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We thank God for the safe return of Weston after a year-long deployment, and we thank the congregation for your prayers and loving support while he was away. *Steve & Kimberly Kleyn & family*

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Calendar

"The Lord willing" James 4:15

April 18 (Today) 4 PM Youth Group Meeting at church.

Topic: Dating & Marriage **Snack:** Remijn & Natalie Roelofs

April 21 (Wednesday) 7 PM Weekly Prayer Meeting led by the elders.

April 21 (Wednesday) 8 PM Consistory Meeting.

April 26 (Monday) 7 PM Deacons Meeting.

April 27 (Tuesday) 9:45 AM Morning Ladies Bible Study. Coffee will be at 9:45, with the lesson starting at 10 AM.

April 27 (Tuesday) 7 PM Evening Ladies Bible Study.

April 28 (Wednesday) 7 PM Weekly Prayer Meeting led by the elders.

May 1 (Saturday) 1 PM Denominational Prayer Service.

May 8 (Saturday) ****Advanced Notice:** Annual Spring Clean-up of the church and parsonage grounds will begin at 8:30 AM. All are welcome and encouraged to join us. Please bring your own tools (wheelbarrows, rakes, shovels, etc.). Coffee, juice, and donuts will be provided. Rain date will be the following Saturday, May 15.

Other News

- In light of the ongoing COVID-19 global pandemic, and in accordance with Article 66 of our Church Order, the Free Reformed Churches of North America have issued a call for a **special day of prayer on Saturday, May 1, with a service at 1:00 PM**. This service will be led by Dr. Jerry Bilkes in Grand Rapids Free Reformed Church and will be live-streamed via Sermon Audio. There is reason for us as churches to examine ourselves (Psalm 139:23-24), to confess and lament our sins (Psalm 51:1-4), to repent from our idolatrous inclinations, to petition Him for His forgiving, renewing, preserving, and healing mercies, and to glorify Him for who He is and what He has done as Judge of all the earth and as Redeemer and Lord. (2 Chronicles 7:14)
- The Heritage Voices will present a concert this **Friday, April 23 at 7:30 PM** in the sanctuary of Heritage Reformed Church. The theme for this evening will be "By Grace Through Faith." Admission is free and there will be no collection taken during the concert. We hope you will join us!

Welcome

We welcome you to our worship services today. May the Lord bless His Word to each one of us. If you have any prayer needs, or if you would like to know more about our church, our pastor or one of the elders would be glad to speak with you.

Behold, O God our shield, and look upon the face of thine anointed. For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness. For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly. O LORD of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee.

Psalm 84:9-12

Congregational Life

- Pastor Macleod will lead our worship services today.
- Next week, Pastor Macleod will lead our morning worship service, and Dr. Jerry Bilkes will lead our evening worship service.
- Dr. Jerry Bilkes is preaching in Providence Reformed Church in Grand Rapids this morning, and in the Kalamazoo preaching station this evening.
- The Sunday School/Catechism classes Psalter of the month for April is **Psalter 169:1 & 2**.
- Jeremy & Amanda Venlet, with their eight baptized children, have requested and been sent their membership papers. May the Lord bless them in their new church home.

Meditation

SEEKING AND SERVING THE LORD

"And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever."

1 Chronicles 28:9

David was given the assurance that, however his descendants might break God's law and become subject to His displeasure, He would not withdraw His love from him nor break His covenant regarding the perpetuity of his throne - an assurance fulfilled by the coming of David's Son and Lord at the time appointed. This assurance did not make David feel that it was unnecessary to exhort his son and heir to godly living, but rather encouraged him to give Solomon plain and pointed parting counsels. That God will do as He has promised does not relieve those believing the promise of the need to use appointed means.

Solomon is exhorted to acknowledge his father's God as his God and seek personal acquaintance with Him. Knowing about Him is one thing; knowing Him is another. "And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent" (John 17:3). The knowledge of God will promote worship and obedience; Solomon is exhorted to remember that this must be wholehearted and with a mind that delights in God's service. In 1 Chronicles 29:19, we find David pleading with God: "And give unto Solomon my son a perfect heart, to keep thy commandments, thy testimonies, and thy statutes."

Solomon is warned against hypocrisy and urged to seek truth in the inward parts by the reminder that God follows us into the innermost recesses of our souls and perceives our thoughts even before they take conscious form. The exhortation is enforced by a promise and a warning. God will make Himself known in all the riches of His grace to those who seek Him, but those who forsake Him shall be cast off forever. This does not mean that any true servants of God can forsake Him and be cast off eternally by Him, but rather that true servants are preserved in the way of seeking and knowing and serving the Lord from the heart. To enjoy the blessings promised, let us seek grace to heed the exhortations given.

Hugh Cartwright

Sermon Notes

N u r s e r y		
Today		
Morning	Mary Jo Haab	Louisa Haab
	Margaret Kleyn	Audrey Bilkes
Evening	Karen VanderSloot	Josephine Haab
	Mariah Vlietstra	Ella Klaasen
Next Week		
Morning	Kaylia Roelofs	Martha Markwat
	Cherise Bergsma	Alyssa Klaasen
Evening	Laura Hults	Trienna Moerdyk
	Lisa Blom	Liberty Remijn

U s h e r s		
	Morning	Evening
Today	Bill Moerdyk	Mark Moerdyk
Next Week	Kenny Remijn	Jerry Phillips

O f f e r i n g s			
Today	General	Seminary	Come Over & Help
Next Week	General	Education	Denominational

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