

Sunday, April 7, 2019

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Psalm 105:1

THANK YOU to those who are serving us during worship today.

MUSICIANS: Jodi DeBerg

GREETERS. Today – North Door – Ryan & Stacy Edeker
South Door – Dale & Angie Meester

Next Sunday: North Door – Mike Stirling Family

South Door – Gene & Janet Venenga

USHERS. Today – Gerald Haan

Next Sunday – Mark Kramer

VALET PARKING. Today – John Oltman

Next Sunday – Ken Mehmen

COFFEE SERVERS. This week – Gene & Janet Venenga

Next week – Irv & Amy Haan

SUNDAY SCHOOL. This week – Deb & JoLynne

Next week – Ryan & Stacy

Please note: If there are any differences between the schedule in the bulletin and the schedule in the Shepherd's Staff, please follow the schedule in the Shepherd's Staff.

THIS WEEK AT PARKERSBURG CRC

Today	9:30 a.m. – Worship Service
	10:45 a.m. – Adult Sunday School
	6:00 p.m. – Worship Service
Wednesday	6:15 p.m. – Life Plus
Next Sunday	9:30 a.m. – Worship Service
	10:45 a.m. – Sunday School
	6:00 p.m. – Worship Service

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to Arnie and Kay Swanson, who will be observing their 52nd anniversary on April 8.

Mary Johnson fell last Sunday fracturing her wrist. No surgery was required but she will be sporting a cast for a while.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Everyone is invited for coffee and fellowship following the worship service this morning.

There will be no second offering next Sunday.

In this service for Week 5 of Lent, we recognize that we build our lives on very shaky foundations, and then we are surprised when things start collapsing. Jesus reminds us in his teachings that the only solid foundation is himself, the Rock of our salvation. On him alone we build.

It is time to nominate for Elder and Deacons. In your mailboxes you will find the list and the nomination ballots for you to prayerfully consider and return. Please return your ballot before the end of the month.

We are looking for a volunteer to serve as our World Renew contact person. This position will mean you will update our congregation on what is happening through contact our Classis representative. If interested, see Pastor Rus for more details.

Timothy Christian School will be hosting an Informational Meeting on Tuesday, April 9 at 6:30 pm in the school library. This meeting is for families, with children of any age, who desire to hear what Christian education has to offer, ask questions, and tour the school. Childcare will be provided. For children ready to start school, Timothy Christian Kindergarten Round-Up will be held on Tuesday, April 16 from 8:20 am - 3:15 pm. Please call the school at 641-869-3679 to register for round-up or to find out more about the informational meeting.

The General Fund Collection for March 24 was \$1,237.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,411.00.

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

Morning Service

April 7, 2019, 2019 – 9:30 AM

WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Song: TCH 353 **Victory in Jesus**

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Responsive Reading

Leader:

*If my sins give me alarm and my conscience grieve me,
Let your cross my fear disarm; peace of conscience give me.
Help me see forgiveness won by your holy passion.
If for me he slays his Son, God must have compassion!
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

People: Amen.

Leader: *Jesus said, "Everyone who hears these words of mine
and does them*

People: *will be like a wise man who built his house on a
rock."*

Leader: *The rain fell.*

People: *The floods came.*

Leader: *The winds blew and beat on that house.*

People: *But it did not fall.*

Leader: *It had been built on the rock.*

People: *A firm foundation.*

Leader: *Unshakeable and immovable.*

People: *Solid and strong.*

Leader: *Lord, build us up on the rock of your Word.*

People: *For your Word stands forever and is a firm
foundation, unshakeable, immovable, solid and strong.*

*Graciously my faith renew; help me bear my crosses,
Learning humbleness from you, peace mid pain and losses,
May I give you love for love! Hear me, O my Savior,
That I may in heaven above sing your praise forever.*

Leader: *When we trust in ourselves, our foundation is faulty
and our spiritual ground is shaky. But when we confess our
sins, God restores our foundation and builds us up to his glory.*

People: *Most merciful God, we are too much like the foolish
man who built his house on the sand. We are sinful in
thought, word and deed, by what we do and by what we fail to
do. We are sinful from birth and are filled with evil. As a
result, when the storms of life blow up, we are easily hurt and
destroyed by them. We fail to build our spiritual lives on the
firm foundation of your Word. Forgive us and renew us so
that we are built up for our spiritual good and for your glory.*

Leader: *In his great grace, God our Father picks up the pieces
of our lives and fully forgives us because of the life, death and
resurrection of Jesus our Savior. He establishes us on the
foundation of his love and makes us firm in faith. Therefore, I
declare to you that all of your sins are forgiven in the name of
the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

People: Amen.

Song: TCH 342 **Rock of Ages**

Ministry in Music – Celsey Aswegen

Children's Message

Song: **The Wise Man Built His House Upon the Rock**

Leader:

*On my heart imprint your image, blessed Jesus, King of grace,
That life's riches, cares and pleasures never may your
work erase;*

*Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me,
Is my life, my hope's foundation, and my glory and salvation.*

Old Testament Reading: **Isaiah 51:1-3**

New Testament Reading: **I Corinthians 3:10-15**

Song: PH 526 **The Solid Rock**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **Matthew 7:24-27**

Message: **BUILD ON ROCK**

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering for 1) General Fund
2) World Renew

Prayer of Dedication/Responsive Reading

Leader: Lord Jesus, when the storms of life tear us down, build us back up in you. When our sin tears down another person, forgive us so that we are built back up in you. When it seems impossible to put back together the pieces of our lives, build us back up in you. When storms tear us down,

People: build us back up on the foundation of your firm Word.

Leader: Lord Jesus, your church is the place where you give gifts that build up rather than tear down. Draw us to you week in and week out so we are strong to face any adversity that may come our way. When storms tear us down,

People: build us back up on the foundation of your firm Word.

Leader: Lord Jesus, we live in a sinful world and sometimes governments tear down rather than build up. Please provide leaders in our world and in our nation that provide help and protection for the poor, the needy and the oppressed. Use the structure of governments everywhere to provide resources that lay a firm foundation for peaceful life in this world. When storms tear us down,

People: build us back up on the foundation of your firm Word.

Leader: Lord Jesus, sometimes our bodies are torn down by the impact of sickness and disease. It is at those times that we need you to strengthen us and bring back the foundation of good health for our bodies. According to your will bring health and healing to all those we know who have been torn down by illness. When storms tear us down,

People: build us back up on the foundation of your firm Word.

Leader: Lord Jesus, the ultimate destroyer is death. But you have provided a way to life everlasting. When our bodies die, you give us new and eternal life. Thank you for the life and witness of the faithful Christians who have gone before us. Make their lives a witness and testimony to your amazing love. When storms tear us down,

People: build us back up on the foundation of your firm Word.

Leader: Into your hands, Lord Jesus, we place all of our needs, knowing that you use your Word to reconstruct us and build us up for our good and for your glory.

People: Amen.

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 408 **How Firm a Foundation**

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 340 **Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus**

*Postlude

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Scripture: **Matthew 7:24-27**

Message: **BUILD ON ROCK**

Evening Service:

Scripture: **Matthew 5:21-26**

Message: **LOVE OVER HATE**

MESSAGE NOTES

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

April 7, 2019

Evening Service – 6:00 PM

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship: Ephesians 1:3-4

*Song: TCH 431 **Shine, Jesus, Shine**

*God's Greeting

What We Believe: Apostles' Creed

(*Hymn: TCH 415 **We Are Called to Be God's People**

Evening Prayer

Offertory and Offering for the General Fund

Hymn: TCH 158 **Think About His Love**

Scripture: **Matthew 5:21-26**

Lord's Day 40

Message: **LOVE OVER HATE**

*Hymn: TCH 429 **They'll Know We Are Christians by
Our Love**

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: **Let There Be Peace** (back cover)

*Postlude