Sunday, August 27, 2017

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: Jan Johnson, Jodi DeBerg, & Angie Meester

GREETERS. Today – North Door – Gene & Janet Venenga

South Door – Ken & Janet Johnson

Next Sunday: North Door – Pat & Deb Prier

South Door – Henry & Kathy Heeren **USHERS.** Today, a.m. – Ken Meester

Next Sunday – Ken Johnson

VALET PARKING. Today – Mike Stirling

Next Sunday – Pat Prier

COFFEE SERVERS. This week – Larry & Mary Johnson

Next week – Paul & Darlene Bruns

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

6:00 p.m. – Worship Service

Next Sunday 9:30 a.m. - Worship Service

6:00 p.m. – Worship Service

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to Paul Haan, who will be observing his 89th birthday on August 31.

We extend our sympathy to Marge Aswegan and Francis Van Ellen in the loss of their sister Dorothy Graves, who passed away last week Tuesday. The funeral was Saturday.

We extend our sympathy to the family of Bernie Everts who was taken home to be with his Lord last week Monday. The funeral service was held in our church on Thursday.

Dear Congregation: Betty and I thank you for remembering us in our time of sorrow in the death of Betty's brother Allen Wichers. Your words of comfort, your prayers and cards have been a wonderful source of encouragement, hope and love to us. Thank you! **Pastor Frank and Betty.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

The second offering next Sunday will be for Life Plus.

If you have a prayer concern, you are welcome to post it on the prayer board located in the fellowship hall.

Sunshine Circle News: It is time again to start another year of Bible Study and Fellowship. Our first meeting will be held at 12:00 on September 6th. We will serve a nice lunch and make plans for our coming year. All ladies are welcome. Hope to see you there.

Life Plus is in need of your prayers. The fall season begins on September 6 and we still have 3 classes without teachers. Please pray that those being called to teach will come forward and we can complete our outreach mission. Consider team teaching – 2 people alternating or teaching together. Angle is waiting to hear from you.

Thank you for the school supplies that have already been purchased for Sunday School and Life Plus! There are still lists available in the fellowship hall if you would like to donate any additional items.

The General Fund Collection for August 20 was \$1,377.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,400.00.

Calling all kids ages birth to ninety-nine and a half! Would you like to design and color a bulletin cover for using in our church? Use a half sheet and color as you would like it to appear on Sunday. We hope to use several throughout the year. Give them to Chelsea or Pastor Rus when completed.

Friendship Circle is planning a ladies' day out on Tuesday, September 19, to the Cedar Falls area. We will be meeting at church at 9:15 a.m. and stopping first at Kohl's, then to Pizza Ranch for lunch. Afterwards, we will make a stop at Walmart and then head back to be home by 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$12 which includes the noon meal and transportation. A sign-up sheet is available in the fellowship hall. Please see a Friendship Circle member if you have questions.

NEW BIBLE STUDY: A 10 week Bible Study will begin on September 10. The Study will be taken from the book "Lineage of Grace" by Francine Rivers. Five unlikely women who lived in Biblical times who are part of the lineage of Jesus. The book is historical fiction with the outline provided by the Bible. The lessons we can learn from these women are as applicable today as when they lived thousands of years ago. It should make for a great study. Note this is not just for women! Men are just as welcomed! Please sign up in the fellowship hall so that books can be ordered. The time will run for just an hour on Sunday afternoons from 4:30-5:30.

Bethel Reformed Church (29557 Hickory Avenue, Aplington) would like to invite you to join them for a night of Christian comedy and laughter as they host *321Improv*, on Sunday, September 10, beginning at 7 p.m. at the church. 321Improv features three men who use improvisation to share messages of the kind of joy one has when they have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. No two shows are ever the same! Everyone loves comedy, so this is a great opportunity to invite an unchurched friend too! There is no charge for the show, but a free-will offering will be taken.

Bethel Reformed Church's Camp 4 Kids will be hosting a Pork Loin Sandwich Dinner and Pie Auction this Wednesday, August 30, from 5-7 p.m. The menu will include pork loin sandwiches, corn, chips, pasta salad, dessert, and drinks. A free-will offering will be taken for the dinner. The pie auction will begin at 6 p.m.

"A Summer Concert Fantastiquie" will be Sunday, September 10 at 3 PM at the Parkersburg United Methodist Church. It will feature piano duets performed by Anna Mae Schnucker and Amy Truax. Assisting them will be Pam Hart, Susan Sivola, Aaron Ellermann, and Stan Thompson. Refreshments will be served following the concert.

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

August 27, 2017 – 9:30 AM WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship: **Psalm 95:1-2**

*Song: TCH 10 Majesty

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Reading from the Psalms: Psalm 138

Songs of Praise: TCH 140 Great Is the Lord

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 1:8-2:10 (pg. 88)

*Hymn: TCH 32 Be Exalted, O God

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering for the General Fund

Hymn: TCH 372 Our God Reigns

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **Matthew 16:13-20** (pg. 1524)

Message: WHO AM I?

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 375 Jesus Shall Reign

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 54 My Tribute

*Postlude

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP August 27, 2017 – 6:00 PM

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship: Psalm 100:4-5

*Song: TCH 210 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*God's Greeting

New Testament Reading: Romans 8:1-17 (pg. 1756)

(*)Hymn: TCH 571 Trust and Obey

Evening Prayer

Offertory & Offering for the General Fund

Hymn: TCH 583 You Are My All in All

Scripture: **Jeremiah 10:23-25** (pg. 1190) **Lord's Day 1, Q & A 1**

Message: **OWNED OR NOT**

*Hymn: TCH 572 Blessed Assurance

*God's Blessing

*Parting Song: TCH 237 Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

*Postlude