Sunday, February 8, 2015

Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom. One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts. Psalm 145:3-4

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

MUSICIANS: Jan Johnson & Angie Meester

GREETERS. Today – North Door – Marlyn & Marcia Allspach

South Door – Ryan & Stacy Edeker

Next Sunday: North Door – Pat & Deb Prier

South Door – Ken & Nancy Mehmen USHERS. Today, a.m. – Ken Kramer

Next Sunday - Dale Meester

COFFEE SERVERS. This week – Ken & Nancy Mehmen

Next week – Pat & Deb Prier

THIS WEEK AT PARKERSBURG CRC

Today 9:30 a.m. – Worship Service

10:45 a.m. - Sunday School & Catechism

Monday 7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – Prayer Time in Fellowship Hall

6:15 p.m. – Life Plus

8:00 p.m. – Young Peoples

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OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Helen Druvenga suffered a fracture in a fall and will be recuperating for a time. Please remember her in your prayers as well.

Thank you to everyone for the prayers, the visits, the flowers from Sunshine Circles, and the visits from Pastor Rus and Mary. **Anna Mae Mehmen**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

The second offering next Sunday will be for Campus Ministry.

Council will meet Monday, February 8, at 7 PM.

Bingo: It is our turn to assist the residents at Maple Manor play Bingo on Friday, February 13th at 2:00. Meet at the church at 1:45 to share rides.

Ladies! Tea party invitations have been placed in your mailboxes so please plan now to attend and invite the other ladies in your family to Friendship Circle's Valentine Tea on Sunday, February 22, at 1:30 p.m. A fun afternoon is being planned for young and old and there will also be an opportunity to contribute to Friendship Circle's fundraising for our church's 125th anniversary in 2016. We look forward to seeing your RSVP in the teapot in the fellowship hall!

Work is being done to finish the nursery and classrooms in the basement that began last fall. Right now we are in need of a nice rocking chair for the nursery and several bookcases or storage units for the classrooms and nursery. We may be adding to this list later on, but this is what we're looking for right now. If you have any of these items you can donate, please talk to Sharon Schipper, Deb Prier, or Angie Meester.

Friendship Circle needs your help! We are looking for women's clothes/accessories from the 1940s-1990s for our Valentine's Tea style show. If you have any hats, gloves, shoes, dresses, outfits, etc., that we could borrow, please let one of us know (Sharon S, Mary J, Karen O, Deb P, Angie M)! Thank you!

World Mission News: Praise God that the number of Ebola outbreaks in West Africa is shrinking. Pray that efforts to stop the Ebola virus will continue to succeed. Pray that the nations affected by the virus will make a fast economic recovery.

Attention Congregation: We are in the preliminary plans for the celebration of the 125th anniversary of our church. All members are encouraged to submit possible Biblical verses to use as the theme for the celebration. There will be a box in the fellowship hall to place your idea. From the suggestions given, the committee will choose a theme to use throughout the anniversary. God has blessed us for so many years. We look forward to celebrating such a milestone with our church family, past and present.

To all at Christian Reformed Church we extend our thanks and gratitude for your recent donation to the A-P Food Pantry. We are blessed to have your faithful support. Use of our pantry is not decreasing – in fact, in November we served a record number of families or individuals and gave out 96 fall food boxes which each contained a turkey. Your contribution will go toward the purchase of 2,148 meals, or non-perishable food items from Northeast Iowa Food Bank to prepare that many meals. We appreciate your thoughtful support!

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

February 8, 2015 **WE COME NEAR TO GOD**

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship: Psalm 130:3-6

*Song: TCH 427 People of God

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Song of Praise: Responsive Reading TCH 380 The Love of Christ

TCH 429 They'll Know We Are Christians

God's Will for Our Life: Ten Rules for Living

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

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **I John 3:11-24** (pg. 1901)

Message: **ONE IN LOVE**

Prayer of Dedication

SERVICE OF CONSECRATION

*Hymn of Gratitude: TCH 424 The Servant Song

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering: 1) General Fund

2) Ministry Shares

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 384 The Spirit Song

*Postlude