Sunday, June 25, 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 & Angie Meester

GREETERS. Today – North Door – Sylvia Jansen & Anna Mae Mehmen

South Door - Mike & Stacy Ascher

Next Sunday: North Door – Dave & Betty Mulder

South Door – Larry & Mary Johnson **USHERS.** Today, a.m. – Dale Meester

Next Sunday – Gerald Haan

VALET PARKING. Today – Kevin Meester

Next Sunday – Mike Stirling

COFFEE SERVERS. This week – Don & Annie Allspach

Next week – Paul Haan Family

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

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – Prayer Time at Jean Trey's house

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

6:00 p.m. – Worship Service

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Please remember our sick and shut-ins in your prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

The second offering next Sunday will be for Bible Camp.

Our congregational meeting to select new council members will be this morning immediately after the morning service. Two elders and two deacons will be selected.

VBS School- July 10-13 our church will host VBS. Maker Fun Factory is this year's theme. We need volunteers and items to help put on VBS. To sign-up a volunteer list will be on a table in the fellowship hall. Also, we are looking for volunteers to participate on the decorating committee. You can now register for Bible School at https://vbspro.events/p/events/ parkersburgcommunityvbs.

The Butler County Long-Term Disaster Coalition will be holding its annual meeting on Tuesday, June 27, and would like to encourage people who serve Butler County (church and faith-based organizations, charitable organizations, disaster assistance organizations, etc.) to attend. The coalition is a county-based non-profit organization of volunteers that provides assistance after disasters. The meeting is intended to help the coalition prepare for the next potential disaster and to improve communications among the parties involved. The meeting will be held at 3:00 p.m. at the Farm Bureau Building, 422 N Main St., Allison.

Austinville CRC is celebrating their 100th Anniversary in 2017. Classis churches are invited to join us for our Centennial Worship Service, Sunday, July 9, at 1:30PM. There will be testimonies and stories from our people and our former pastors about God's faithfulness to our church for 100 years. Following the service, there will be a time of refreshments and fellowship.

The General Fund Collection for June 18 was \$2,271.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,400.00.

This summer, the Christian Reformed Church is hosting a family reunion, and we hope that your church will be represented there. Inspire 2017 is actually more than a family reunion. It is the latest in a series of gatherings that was encouraged by Synod 2014 to support and equip each other in our shared calling as a denomination. Inspire 2017 is open to EVERYONE in the Christian Reformed Church, and we hope your church will be represented at this major event. To date, we have registrants from 34 of our 48 classes, representing at least 112 of our Christian Reformed churches from California to New Brunswick. To see a list of participating churches, visit http://network.crcna.org/leadershop-development/your-church-list. If your church is not on that list, we'd really love for you to prayerfully consider sending one or more people to this important event. We've planned fun activities, time for fellowship and reconnection, great food, meaningful worship, inspiring keynote speakers, and breakout sessions on topics related to the needs of your congregation. You can learn more and register at crcna.org/Inspire2017. Please have someone from your congregation join us this August 3-5 in Detroit, Michigan. We look forward to seeing you there.

COMMUNITY CLOTHING SWAP: Free Kids Clothes! Come swap or "shop" for kid and teen clothes on Saturday, July 8th from 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. at the Parkersburg Veteran's Building! This is a free event for everyone with kids and teens. All items are free! You may donate clothes prior to the event by dropping them off at First Congregational Church in Parkersburg or at Kelly Voss's house (502 7th St., Aplington) over the next two weeks, or bring them to the event. Volunteers are needed to sort clothes, greet guests, and clean up. Call Kelly at 319-529-3669 to volunteer. Left over clothes will be donated to the Parkersburg Clothes Closet, Kaden's Kloset and other local ministries.

ATTENTION ALL YOUNG PEOPLE! In less than a month another exciting week at Midwest B.A.S.I.C. YOUTH BIBLE CAMP begins!!! Registrations should be sent to Geri Berding at 804 2nd Ave S, Clear Lake, Iowa 50428 by July 12th. If you have not received a registration form yet, see your Youth Leader or Pastor. You can also register online at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfKdZvMFZprd9bJjsamT06LQGlGSevVTs2W-vuFj7_2bqYvg/viewform?c=0&w=1. You can easily access this link from our Facebook page when you search for "Midwest B.A.S.I.C. Youth Bible Camp". We have 5 days of fun and fellowship lined up for YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS this July 24th-28th!

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

June 25, 2017 – 9:30 AM **WE COME NEAR TO GOD**

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Song: TCH 56 **To God Be the Glory**

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Special Music by Emily Russell

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 91

*Hymn: TCH 591 Have Thine Own Way

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering for the General Fund

Hymn: TCH 724 Lead On, O King Eternal

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **Matthew 3:17-4:11** (pg. 1499)

Message: TOUGH TIMES, TOUGH CHOICES!

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 713 **Seek Ye First**

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 593 Where He Leads Me

*Postlude