

**Sunday, March 19, 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 – Ryan & Stacy Edeker

South Door – Frank & Betty Pott

**Next Sunday:** North Door – John & Jodi DeBerg

South Door – Steve & Charlene Kramer

**USHERS.** Today, a.m. – Ken Johnson

**Next Sunday** – Ken Kramer

**VALET PARKING.** Today – Pat Prier

**Next Sunday** – Rollyn DeGroot

**COFFEE SERVERS.** This week – Paul & Darlene Bruns

Next week – Pat & Deb Prier

**SUNDAY SCHOOL.** This week – Amy & Kay – *The Friend at Midnight*; JoLynne – *Children & Parents*

Next week – Kamie & Nancy – *Signs of Things to Come*; Reints Family – *Jesus is for Everyone*

*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. – Sunday School
Tuesday	1:30 p.m. – Knitting and Crochet Group
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. – Prayer Time at Jean Trey's house
	6:15 p.m. – Life Plus
Next Sunday	9:30 a.m. – Worship Service
	10:45 a.m. – Sunday School

#### **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

**Congratulations** to Don and Annie Allspach, who will be observing their 59<sup>th</sup> anniversary on March 21.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**The second offering** next Sunday will be for Home Missions.

**Hook and Needles** Knitting and Crochet Group will meet on Tuesday at 1:30 PM, in the Fellowship Room.

**Sign-up sheet** for donations and Volunteers for the 5k "Run to the Empty Tomb" is on the table in the fellowship hall. Thank you in advance. T-shirts will be a pastel color with the same design as last year. If you would like to order one, please let Deb know today. The order will be placed at the end of this week. If you know of someone who would like to walk or run they still have plenty of time to register. We would love to have them.

**Council is looking** for volunteers to report to Council with recommendations based on our study of the book, "Autopsy of a Deceased Church". If you are interested please contact Pastor Rus.

**The AP Food Pantry** is in need of non-food items, such as all paper products, laundry and dish soap, shampoo and conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes, feminine hygiene products, cleaning supplies, kleenex, paper towels, toilet paper, and diapers and wipes. There is a box in the fellowship hall for donations.

**The General Fund Collection** for March 12 was \$2,241.25. The target amount for each week is \$2,400.00.

**Everyone is invited** to enjoy Timothy Christian School's Annual Swiss Steak Supper on Tuesday, March 21. This family-style meal of Swiss steak, freshly mashed potatoes, homegrown corn, rolls, jello, and homemade pie will be served from 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm at the First Christian Reformed Church (2.5 miles west of Wellsburg). Free will donation.

**Timothy Christian School** will be hosting a parent information meeting on Thursday, March 23 at 6:30 pm. This meeting is for families, with children of any age, who wish to learn more about Christian education. For children ready to start school, Timothy Christian Kindergarten Round-Up will be held on Tuesday, March 28 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 parent meeting.

**First Congregational Church** would like to invite you to their annual Missions Conference weekend March 25-26, 2017. Our missionary guests will be Mark Boland with My Kinsmen Ministries & Boland Recreation and Burt & Trish Koppendrayer with SIM. Join us for a Ladies' Luncheon on Saturday, March 25 at 12:00 noon. A family meal will take place at 6:00 p.m. along with the Missions Fair and an evening service at 6:45 p.m. On Sunday, March 26 the Missions Fair will be open during the Sunday school hour at 9:00 AM. We will have a worship service at 10:30 a.m. followed by a pizza lunch and continued Missions Fair. If any area ministries are interested in participating in the Missions Fair, please contact Dina Hanken at 319-464-2098. All events are free and open to the public.

**Bethel Reformed Church** of Aplington will be hosting an OUTDOORSMEN'S BANQUET on Saturday, April 8. There will be a time of fellowship beginning at 6 p.m., a pork loin dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m., and a program featuring guest speaker Matt Thede of Outreach Outdoors. Tickets for this event can be purchased by contacting the church at [319-347-6219](tel:319-347-6219). All proceeds from the event will benefit Bethel's Camp 4 Kids and RCYF.

**Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church**

March 19, 2017 – 9:30 AM

**WE COME NEAR TO GOD**

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship: **Hebrews 12:2-3**

\*Song: TCH 310 **Lead Me to Calvary**

\*God's Greeting

\*Mutual Greeting

Lenten Reading: "Look to the Cross" – Haan Family

Song: TCH 328 **In the Cross of Christ I Glory**

Old Testament Reading: **Numbers 21:4-9** (pg. 242)

\*Hymn: TCH 316 **O Sacred Head, Now Wounded**

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering: 1) General Fund  
2) Life Plus

Hymn: TCH 302 **Lamb of God**

**SERVICE OF THE WORD**

Scripture: **James 5:7-11** (pg. 1885)

Message: **I DON'T LIKE PATIENCE**

Prayer of Dedication

**RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE**

\*Hymn: TCH 318 **I Believe in a Hill Called Mount Calvary**

\*God's Blessing

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

\*Postlude