

Sunday, March 7, 2021

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

THIS WEEK AT PARKERSBURG CRC

Today 9:30 a.m. – Morning Worship Service
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. – Life Plus (online)
Next Sunday 9:30 a.m. – Morning Worship Service
10:00 a.m. – Sunday School

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Clarence Karsjens underwent open heart surgery this past Wednesday and is recovering well at Allen Hospital. Please pray for a speedy recovery.

Please remember those of our congregation who live alone and those alone in care facilities through a phone call or a card in these trying days.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will not be any coffee after the service this morning.

There will be no second offering next Sunday.

We welcome Rev. Brian Hofman from Kanawha CRC to our pulpit this morning.

Change in March ONLY: Sunday School will meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

March 14: Amy; Stacy (middle school)

March 28: Kayla & Stacy; Stacy (middle school)

Hope Reformed Church Soup Supper – Saturday, March 13th, 4:00-6:30 pm. Dine in, Take out, and Delivery available! Chili, cream of broccoli soup, oyster stew along with beef burgers, drink and dessert. Adults are \$8.00, Children ages 5-12 are \$5.00, Ages 4 & under are free. To utilize takeout or delivery, please call the church at 319-346-1575 on Friday, March 12th from 5:00-7:00 pm to place to go orders for Saturday!

Timothy Christian School's Annual Benefit Auction will be held online this year. There is a great selection of items including baked goods, quilts, household items, farm supplies, toys, tickets, gift baskets, family fun, and more! Go to <https://tcs.formdash.org> to PREVIEW the items from March 12-17 and to BID from March 18-20. Winners will be able to pick up their items at the school from March 26-27. If you would like more information, please call 641-869-3679 or email office@timothychristianschool.net.

Pray for the translation team in South Asia as they work with "Faith Comes By Hearing" to complete the translation of the Gospel of Luke this year

World Renew: Our Disaster Response Team recently made many trips to check the work being done across the Gulf Coast and other areas hit by hurricanes and storms this past year. The needs are great, but they received limited "media" coverage. The response has been minimal. Pray for wisdom on how best to proceed with helping people in those areas.

If you would like to send your offerings in by mail, the church address is: Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church, 807 Grant St., Parkersburg, IA 50665

The General Fund Collection for February 28 was \$1,678.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,046.08. The offering for Life Plus totaled \$120.00.

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

Morning Service

March 7, 2021 – 9:30 AM

WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship:

Leader: Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.

People: We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship Him, and we rejoice!

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

People: We praise God for the grace that has saved us.

Alleluia! We rejoice!

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

*God's Greeting

Song: TCH 11 **Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

Confession and Assurance

Hymn of Response: TCH 596 **I Surrender All**

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering: 1) General Fund
2) Building Improvement

Hymn: TCH 562 **Be Thou My Vision**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **Luke 16:1-15** (pg. 1625)

Message: **LIVING IN LIGHT OF THE FUTURE**

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 724 **Lead On, O King Eternal**

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 815 **Doxology**

*Postlude

Council Notes of March 1, 2021

The Council meeting of March 1, 2021 was opened by reading Psalm 3. Prayer given by Pastor Rus.

Article 1: Minutes of the February 1 meeting were read and approved.

Article 2: Correspondence was reviewed.

Article 3: Ministry Reports

- Pastors Report: A monthly report of activities and mileage was received for information.
- Elders Report: No report.
- Pulpit Committee: (Marlyn Allspach) No report.
- Worship Committee: (Ken Meester) Maudy Thursday is scheduled for April 1, 2021
- Attendance Report: (Clayton Groeneveld) There was 27.3 average attendance with 16.3 live streaming.
- Out Reach Committee: (Marlyn Allspach) No report.
- Discipleship Committee: (Mike Ascher) No report.
- Building and Grounds Committee: (Harold Coplen) No report.

Article 4: Financial Reports and Concerns (deacons)

- Receipts of \$8743.61 were received.
- The budget amount is \$8866.33 with a \$122.72 monthly shortfall and a YTD shortfall of \$1462.07.
- Arrangements are being made to audit books.

Article 5: There was no old business

Article 6: New Business

- There will be an insurance review to go over the church insurance and workmans comp. This is done on odd years.
- Classis is to be held March 2, 2021 in Mason City. Pastor Rus, Ken Meester and Harold Coplan will be attending.
- Decision was made to start the Sunday morning coffee back up.

Article 7: Mutual Censure was taken

Article 8: Motion was made and supported to adjourn.

Article 9: Mike Ascher closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted:

Pastor Rus

Clerk: Ken Meester

Members Present:

Pastor Rus
Marlyn Allspach
Mike Ascher
Harold Coplen
Ken Meester

Members Absent:

Mike Stirling

Next meeting is April 5, 2021