Sunday, March 8, 2026

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

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Everyone is invited for coffee and fellowship following the worship service this morning. There is a sign-up sheet on the counter for volunteers to serve.

The second offering next Sunday will be for Lifewise Academy at the Aplington-Parkersburg Schools.

We welcome Brent Janssen to our pulpit this morning.

The Parkersburg Ministerial Association will present *The Living Last Supper*, a dramatization of Leonardo da Vinci's *The Last Supper*, at Bethel Lutheran Church on Sunday, March 29 at 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM and Thursday, April 2 at 7:30 PM.

The Cornerstone Christian Childcare Center in Parkersburg is looking to add a board member. This position would be a three-year term. If anyone is interested or has questions they may contact Dave Schneiderman at 319-939-9723.

Upcoming Speakers:
March 8 – Brent Janssen
March 15 – Stewart De Jong
March 22 – Randy Aalderks
March 29 – Joel De Boer
April 5 – Rus Boersma
April 12 – Jack Ritsema
April 19 – Rick Vollema

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 2:
Q: What must I know to live in the joy of this comfort?
A: Three things: First, how great my sin and misery are; second, how I am set free from all my sins and misery; third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance.
-*HC and ME: The Heidelberg Catechism for Christian Living* (2006), Faith Alive Christian Resources

Offerings

	Offering	Needed	Difference
Last Week	$3,017.00	$2,436.27	$580.36
Year to Date (9 Sundays)	$17,560.00	$21,926.43	-$4,366.80

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church
March 8, 2026 – 9:30 AM

WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Hymn: TCH 217 **Holy Ground**

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Lent Reading: The Third Word

Song: TCH 327 **The Old Rugged Cross**

Preparatory Form

*Hymn: TCH 310 **Lead Me to Calvary**

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering for the General Fund

*Hymn: TCH 3 **Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **Isaiah 6:1-8** (pg. 1068)

Message: **SEND ME**

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 589 **Here I Am, Lord**

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 436 **Freely, Freely**

*Postlude

Council Notes of March 2, 2026

The council meeting of March 2nd, 2026 was opened by the reading of Numbers 27:15-23. Prayer was given by Ken Mehmen.

Article 1: Minutes of the February 1st, 2026 meeting were read and approved.

Article 2: No Correspondence was received.

Article 3: Ministry Reports and Concerns

- Elders Report: Discussion was held on potential pastoral visits in March.
- Pulpit Committee:
  - March 8th – Brent Janssen
  - March 15th – Stewart de Jong
  - March 22nd – Randy Aalderks
  - March 29th – Joel De Boer
  - April 5th – Rus Boersma
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  - April 19th – Rick Vollema
- Worship Committee: No Report
- Attendance Report: There was an Average Attendance of 47.3 people with 15.5 people live streaming.
- Outreach Committee: No Report
- Discipleship Committee: No Report
- Building and Grounds Committee: Will look into purchasing new flags for the flagpoles and continue work on the church sign.

Article 4: Financial Reports and Concerns

- Receipts of $7,137.00 was received. Budget amount of $9,745.08 is needed. Giving us -$2,608.08 for the month. With a YTD of -$4,947.16.

Article 6: Old Business

- A member of the congregation has agreed to audit the church books.
- The Search Committee did not meet in February. A potential candidate was referred to the Rukes Group, and they will be reaching out to assess the candidate's interest in the position.
- No update was provided on the outreach card to share information about our church.

Article 7: New Business

- An update was provided on the February Classis meeting. Beginning the first Saturday in September, pulpit supply compensation will increase to $150 for Classis pastors.
- A motion was made, seconded, and approved to increase pulpit supply compensation to $150 for all speakers to align with the Classis rate.
- Communion will be held March 15th.

Article 8: Mutual Censure was held.

Article 9: Motion was made and supported to adjourn the meeting.

Article 10: Concept minutes were read and approved.

Article 11: Closing Prayer was given by Mike Ascher.

Respectfully submitted:
Vice President: Ken Mehmen
Clerk: Mike Ascher

Members Present:
Mike Ascher
Ken Mehmen
Rollyn DeGroot
Amy Swanson Haan
Pat Prier

Members Absent:
Brad Allspach

Guest Present:
None

Next Meeting is set for Tuesday, April 7.