Sunday, May 30, 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	1:00 p.m. – Sunshine Circle
Next Sunday	9:30 a.m. – Morning Worship Service

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to **Frances van Ellen**, who will be observing her 82^{nd} birthday on June 1.

Congratulations to **Joshua Haan**, who graduated from A-P High School and will be attending Hawkeye Tech this Fall, and to **Andrew Haan**, who graduated from Iowa State University and will be moving to Detroit for his new job.r

I would like to thank everyone for all of the prayers, cards, food brought in and get well wishes I received since my surgery and recovery. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. June Karsjens

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

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

There will be no second offering next Sunday.

Please note the mail in your mailbox as the nomination forms are out. Please note that three names were accidentally left off the list, they are Laura Edeker, Lauren Husz, and Luke Edeker. The forms are requested back by Sunday May 30.

The Sunshine Circle will meet on Wednesday, June 2 at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will be reviewing the lesson entitled "Living Confidently" from the booklet "Let the Word of Christ Dwell in You Richly" on pp 39.. Marge will be serving lunch. You are welcome to join us.

The annual <u>Bible Reading Marathon</u> will be held at the court house in <u>Grundy Center</u>, Iowa from <u>8:00 am to 6:00 pm, from</u> <u>Wednesday, June 9 to Friday, June 11</u>. Bring your own Bible and lawn chair. Arrive any time and readers will receive a half-hour segment to read aloud. Those who wish to read at home can call Pat at 319-269-2091 to receive their assigned reading. Grundy County is one of 99 Iowan counties invited to read the entire Bible out loud. This is another way to praise God that we have the freedom to honor Him in this way.

BIBLE CAMP DONATIONS: The Midwest B.A.S.I.C. Youth Bible Camp board is seeking donations for a care package service project for camp 2021. We are in need of felt, ribbon, and larger buttons for a craft we will be putting together. We will also be including a few other items that it will be easiest and most cost effective for us to purchase in bulk. If you would like to contribute money for those items, donations can be sent to Youth Bible Camp, c/o Brian Hofman, 129 E 3rd St. Kanawha, IA 50447. Donations will be received through Sunday, July 11. Thanks so much for your support!

The General Fund Collection for May 23 was \$1,159.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,046.08. The offering for Faith Promise totaled \$92.00.

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

Women's Community Bible Study A Study on Contentment | By, Melissa Krueger Date: Wednesdays | June 16 - July 28 Time: *9:30-11AM OR 6:30-8PM Cost: \$10 for the study guide - can be paid at the first session Where: First Congregational Church, Parkersburg Contact Information: (319) 346-1373 or Mandy DeWitt: mdewitt121909@gmail.com or (620-366-3089) *Free Childcare is provided for the morning session Register Online By May 30: https://forms.gle/CmLpr9nk8C2R4UBX9

> Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church Morning Service

May 30, 2021 – 9:30 AM WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship: Psalm 122:1

*Song: TCH 799 America the Beautiful

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Song: TCH 804 Battle Hymn of the Republic

Responsive Reading: Litany for Veterans

*Hymn of Response: TCH 767 For All the Saints

Morning Prayer

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

Hymn: TCH 809 God of Our Fathers

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: Genesis 121:1-9 (pg. 17)

Message: MONUMENTS TO WHOM

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 686 O God, Our Help in Ages Past

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 237 Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

*Postlude

One: God of love, peace and justice, it is your will for the world that we may live together in peace. You have promised through the prophet Isaiah that one day the swords will be beaten into ploughshares. Yet we live in a broken world, and there are times that war seems inevitable. Let us recognize with humility and sadness the tragic loss of life that comes in war. Even so, as we gather here free from persecution, we may give thanks for those that have served with courage and honor.

Please Rise: Those that are in our presence that are either in active duty or reserve duty, and the fathers, mothers, siblings, spouses and grandparents of those that are currently serving.

All: God, we praise you for those that are willing to serve. Let all Soldiers, Marines, Sailors, Airmen and Coast Guardsmen serve with honor, pride, and compassion. Do not let their hearts be hardened by the actions they must take. Strengthen their families. Keep them surrounded in your love and peace.

Please Rise: Those that are in our presence that have served in the military in the past.

All: God, we praise you for those that have served in the military. We thank you for those that put the welfare of others ahead of their own safety. Let us all be inspired by their self-sacrifice in service to those who needed protection.

Please Rise: Those that are in our presence who have lost a loved one in war.

All: God, we praise you for those that have made the ultimate sacrifice. We ask that you comfort those that still feel the pain of their loss. Keep us mindful that you have promised to comfort those that mourn.

Please Rise: Those who have gathered in your name in safety because of the sacrifices of others.

All: God, we praise you for granting us these freedoms. Let us honor those who have served by working for peace. Let us never forget those that have served, and let us never let go of your promise of peace.