

Sunday, November 2, 2025

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

1:30 p.m. – Shoebox Packing Party

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to Dennis Schipper, who will be observing his 80th birthday on November 3.

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 Faith Promise.

We welcome Pastor Joel De Boer to our pulpit this morning.

The family of Dennis Schipper invites you to an open house for his 80th birthday this afternoon, in the church fellowship hall from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

Mark Your Calendars! Our Shoebox Packing Party will be Sunday afternoon, November 9, at 1:30 PM. Hope to see you there!

Operation Christmas Child 2025 – As a ministry, Operation Christmas Child wants to do whatever it can to bring the hope of the Gospel through shoebox gifts to children across the globe. This year, more than ever, children around the world need hope, and Drop-Off Locations, such as our church, are the first step in the journey of a shoebox. **National Collection Week** this year is November 17-24, 2025. Please consider donating some time to help with this worthy cause this year. The schedule sign-up sheet is on a table in the fellowship hall with the same hours as we have had in the past. The red and green shoeboxes are available. Please prayerfully consider being part of this important ministry this year! Please see Angie Meester if you have any questions.

If you need someone to perform pastoral duties, please contact one of the Elders:

Ken Mehmen – (319) 269-1184

Pat Prier – (641) 640-4080

Mike Ascher – (319) 239-0637

Please feel free to contact any Council member with any questions you might have.

Upcoming Speakers:

November 2 – Joel De Boer

November 9 – Randy Aalderks

November 16 – Steve Mulder

November 23 – Rus Boersma

The General Fund collection for October 26 was \$648.00.
The target amount for each week is \$2,248.10.

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 115:

Q: No one in this life can obey the Ten Commandments perfectly; why then does God want them preached so pointedly?

A: First, so that the longer we live the more we may come to know our sinfulness and the more eagerly look to Christ for forgiveness of sins. Second, so that while praying to God for the grace of the Holy Spirit, we may never stop striving to be renewed more and more after God's image, until after this life we reach our goal – perfection!

-HC and ME: The Heidelberg Catechism for Christian Living (2006), Faith Alive Christian Resources

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

November 2, 2025 – 9:30 AM

WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome: Today we remember the significance of those who are persecuted for their faith and trust in Jesus Christ worldwide. May God strengthen their faith even in the face of persecution and may our prayers entreat God, the Father, to help all of us to live boldly in faith.

Call to Worship: From **Psalms 22**

*Song: TCH 33 **Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise**

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Song: TCH 217 **Holy Ground**

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering: 1) General Fund
2) Back to God Hour

*Hymn: TCH 572 **Blessed Assurance** (verses 1 & 3)

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **Colossians 3:1-4** (pg. 1834)

Message: **Faith Turns If into Since**

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 562 **Be Thou My Vision** (verses 1,2,3)

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 340 **Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus**

*Postlude