Sunday, October 19, 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

10:30 a.m. – Lunch

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.

There will be no second offering next Sunday.

We welcome Pastor Stewart de Jong to our pulpit this morning.

The elders will collect the Benevolent offering after communion this morning.

Join us for a Soup Lunch next week after the service! Soups will be provided, but feel free to bring some salads, sides, breads, or desserts to share!

Search Committee Update: The search committee asks the congregation to continue to pray as they have conducted their first interview and are anticipating interviewing a second candidate on October 28.

For Pastor Appreciation Month, we want to extend a thank you to all the ministers and speakers who have led us in worship as we continue to look for a new pastor. We also want to express our gratitude to all of our Council members who have helped to lead us and guide us in this time of transition. Thank you all!

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

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:

October 19 – Stewart de Jong

October 26 – Steve Debner

The General Fund collection for October 12 was \$543.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,248.10. The collection for Christian Education totaled \$122.00.

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 113:

Q: What is God's will for you in the tenth commandment?

A: That not even the slightest thought or desire contrary to any one of God's commandments should ever arise in my heart. Rather, with all my heart I should always hate sin and take pleasure in whatever is right. Do not covet anything that isn't yours.

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

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

October 19, 2025 – 9:30 AM **WE COME NEAR TO GOD**

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

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

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Song: TCH 244 Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

God's Will for Our Lives: **Philippians 2:1-11** (pg. 1827)

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering for the General Fund

*Hymn: TCH 667 Lord, Speak to Me

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: Mark 9:30-41 (pg. 1569)

Message: WHO WAS THE GREATEST?

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn & Benevolent Offering: TCH 638 I Need Thee Every Hour

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 815 Doxology

*Postlude