Sunday, October 29, 2023 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 |
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| | 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School |
| | 11:00 a.m. – Oktoberfest Potluck |
| Wednesday | 1:00 p.m. – Sunshine Circle |
| Next Sunday | 9:30 a.m. – Morning Worship Service |
| | 10:30 a.m. – Sunday School |

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We extend our sympathy to Melvin Reibkes in the loss of his brother Elmer.

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 Home Missions.

Today the Sunday School students will tell us the story of Martin Luther and why it is called "Reformation Day" and not Halloween. Thank you to Kellen Reints, Rylan Ascher, Eillie Reints, Lila Reints, and Lilly Stirling for taking part in the service today.

Today, we are celebrating our German heritage with a potluck meal called Oktoberfest. All are welcome to stay and share good food and even better fellowship.

This coming Wednesday afternoon, November 1, at 1:00 PM, our Sunshine Circle ladies will meet in the Fellowship Hall for their monthly meeting. Dr Jeremy Cordes will be our guest speaker talking about how we can get a good night of sleep and rest! Have your questions ready for him to answer. Following his talk, we will spend some time reflecting on how to be more thankful during this Thanksgiving Season. Frances will serve our lunch.

Come join us Sunday, November 5 at 1:30 PM for our Shoebox Packing Party. All are invited! A large variety of items will be provided to fill a shoebox, or you can bring your own items.

Timothy Christian School is asking you to consider becoming a donor to their annual Fall Harvest Drive. Donations can be made in the form of grain delivered to your local elevator. This can be a few bushels to a semi-load, whatever works for you. The elevator will send the crop check directly to the school. If you are a landlord or do not farm, monetary donations would also be appreciated. Please call Dale Akkerman at 319-243-9890 for more information. Thank you for your support!

The General Fund collection for October 22 was \$1,699.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,126.68. The collection for the Back to God Hour totaled \$54.00.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wed., Nov. 1 – 1:00 PM – Sunshine Circle. Dr. Cordes is the guest speaker.

Sun., Nov. 5 - 9:30 AM - B.J. Humphrey will be the speaker. Sun., Nov. 5 - 1:30 PM -Shoebox Packing Party in the Fellowship Hall.

Sun., Nov. 5 – 11:00-1:00 PM St Pat's Thanksgiving Dinner Sun., Nov. 12 – 9:30 AM – Randall Ponce will be the speaker. Part of the service will be an observance of Veterans Day.

Nov. 13-20 – Shoebox collection week. Help when you can! Sun., Nov. 19 – 10:45 AM – Thanksgiving Fellowship Meal Wed., Nov. 22 – 7:00 PM – Thanksgiving Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall.

Sun., Nov. 26 – Profession of Faith Sunday

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

October 29, 2023 – 9:30 AM

WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship: Lord's Day 1, Q & A 1

*Hymn: My Only Comfort (on screen only)

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Song: TCH 59 My Tribute TCH 184 Thy Word TCH 427 People of God

Who Is Martin Luther?

*Hymn: TCH 151 A Mighty Fortress

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering: 1) General Fund 2) Faith Promise

*Hymn: Ancient Words (on screen only)

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: Romans 1:8-17 (pg. 1747)

Message: BY FAITH

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 404 Faith of Our Fathers

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 56 My Tribute

*Postlude