

Sunday, September 10, 2017

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, Jodi DeBerg, & Angie Meester

GREETERS. Today – North Door – Don & Annie Allspach

South Door – Henry & Kathy Heeren

Next Sunday: North Door – Mark & Lanae Kramer

South Door – Irv & Amy Haan

USHERS. Today, a.m. – Ken Kramer

Next Sunday – Marlyn Allspach

VALET PARKING. Today – Rollyn DeGroot

Next Sunday – Chet Hay

COFFEE SERVERS. This week – Mike & Stacy Ascher

Next week – John & Karen Oltman

Please note: If there are any differences between the schedule in the bulletin and the schedule in the Shepherd's Staff, please follow the schedule in the Shepherd's Staff.

THIS WEEK AT PARKERSBURG CRC

Today	9:30 a.m. – Worship Service
	10:45 a.m. – Sunday School
	4:30 p.m. – Bible Study
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. – Life Plus
Next Sunday	9:30 a.m. – Worship Service
	10:45 a.m. – Sunday School
	6:00 p.m. – Worship Service

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Please remember our sick and shut-ins in your prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

We welcome James Koop to our pulpit this morning. There will be no evening service tonight.

The second offering today is for World Renew, to assist those affected by Hurricane Harvey. The second offering next Sunday is for Christian Education.

If you have a prayer concern, you are welcome to post it on the prayer board located in the fellowship hall.

In consideration of the new carpet in the Fellowship Hall, the coffee servers are asked to refrain from serving red punch. We hope to keep the floor looking nice for as long as we can. Thank you.

Life Plus is still looking for teachers! The fall season began this past week and we still have classes that need teachers. We need your help to make this outreach program happen. Please prayerfully consider making time in your schedule for this important task. **Angie Meester, Coordinator**

Thank you for the school supplies donated to Sunday School and Life Plus! They are very much appreciated!

Ladies' Day Out! Time is running out to sign up for Friendship Circle's ladies' day out on Tuesday, September 19, to the Cedar Falls area. We will meet at church at 9:15 a.m. and stop first at Kohl's, then on to Pizza Ranch for lunch. Afterwards, we will make a stop at Walmart and then head back to be home by 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$12 which includes the noon meal and transportation. There is still plenty of room available and a sign-up sheet is available in the fellowship hall. Please see a Friendship Circle member if you have questions.

The General Fund Collection for September 3 was \$2,920.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,400.00.

"A Summer Concert Fantastique" will be Sunday, September 10 at 3 PM at the Parkersburg United Methodist Church. It will feature piano duets performed by Anna Mae Schnucker and Amy Truax. Assisting them will be Pam Hart, Susan Sivola, Aaron Ellermann, and Stan Thompson. Refreshments will be served following the concert.

"Understanding Grief and Loss" is a 6 week support class for people grieving the death of someone close to them. It is a place where you can be around people who understand how you feel and the pain of your loss. At our meetings you will learn valuable information that will help you through this difficult time in your life. Our first meeting will be Monday, September 11th from 1:30-3:30 pm at the Hope Reformed Church, 611 4th St. in Parkersburg (please use the south basement door). Cherly Reiher from Cedar Valley Hospice and Jo Schipper will be leading the class. For further information please contact Jo Schipper at 346-2831.

Please mark your calendars for the second annual **99 County Bible Reading Marathon** which will take place at the Butler County Courthouse on Saturday, September 16 at 9:00. All volunteers are asked to bring their own Bible (any version), a lawn chair and possible rain gear. There will be a sign-in table where groups of two and three will be given a section of Scripture to read out loud somewhere on the courthouse grounds. If we do not finish on the 16th, we will meet again at 9:00 the following week.

Calling all kids ages birth to ninety-nine and a half! Would you like to design and color a bulletin cover for using in our church? Use a half sheet and color as you would like it to appear on Sunday. We hope to use several throughout the year. Give them to Chelsea or Pastor Rus when completed.

Bethel Reformed Church (29557 Hickory Avenue, Aplington) would like to invite you to join them for a night of Christian comedy and laughter as they host *321Improv*, on Sunday, September 10, beginning at 7 p.m. at the church. *321Improv* features three men who use improvisation to share messages of the kind of joy one has when they have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. No two shows are ever the same! Everyone loves comedy, so this is a great opportunity to invite an unchurched friend too! There is no charge for the show, but a free-will offering will be taken.

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church
September 10, 2017 – 9:30 AM
WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Song: TCH 225 **Come, Christians, Join to Sing**

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Praise Songs: TCH 9 **Glorify Thy Name**
TCH 10 **Majesty**
TCH 655 **Sanctuary**

What We Believe: Apostles' Creed

*Hymn: TCH 433 **Rise Up, O Church of God**

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering: 1) General Fund
2) World Renew

Hymn: TCH 184 **Thy Word**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **I John 1:5-2:6** (pg. 1898)

Message: **WHAT ARE YOUR TRUE COLORS?**

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 605 **Living for Jesus**

*God's Blessing

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

*Postlude