Sunday, September 7, 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

Monday 10:30 a.m. – Council Meeting

Next Sunday 9:30 a.m. – Morning Worship Service

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to Marlyn and Marcia Allspach, who will be observing their 63rd anniversary on September 7.

Paul Bruns returned home on Friday. Please keep him and Darlene in your prayers.

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 Jack Ritsema to our pulpit this morning.

Council will meet this morning after the service.

The Summer Months Hymn Sing at the Austinville Christian Reformed Church scheduled for this Sunday, September 7 will be next Sunday, September 14 at 6pm. There is a Bible study and refreshments following.

Cornerstone Christian Childcare Center is excited to announce our fundraiser, A Day of Play! This fundraiser is unique because we will be able to profit 100% of the money raised for our playground. In the fellowship hall you will find a blank September calendar. This will be used for you to contribute towards "A Day of Play" as we continue to raise money for our new playground. For example: September 1st will be \$1, September 2nd will be \$2, and that pattern will continue through September 30th being \$30. Contributors can choose just one day or multiple days if they feel called to! Please add your name to the days you feel called to support. Place your donations in the envelope provided next to the calendar. Please have your donations in by September 14. As always we appreciate everyone's support for Cornerstone. We are looking forward to being one step closer to a new playground for all the children to enjoy! Thank you from the Cornerstone Team!

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

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 2:

Q: What must you know to live and die in the joy of this comfort?

A: Three things: First, how great my sin and misery are; second, how I am set free from all my sins and misery; third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance.

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

The General Fund collection for August 31 was \$1,455.00. The target amount for each week is \$2,248.10. The collection for Student Connection totaled \$140.00. The

collection for Building Improvement totaled \$100.00.

Parkersburg Christian Reformed Church

September 7, 2025 – 9:30 AM WE COME NEAR TO GOD

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship:

*Song: TCH 8 Come, Thou Almighty King

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

Song: TCH 90 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Morning Prayer

Offertory and Offering: 1) General Fund

2) Faith Promise

*Hymn: TCH 353 Victory in Jesus

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: **James 1:13-18** (pg. 1881)

Message: LEAD US NOT

Prayer of Dedication

RESPONSE OF LOVE, GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

*Hymn: TCH 506 I'd Rather Have Jesus

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: TCH 166 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Postlude