

February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019

*This is the day that the LORD has made,  
let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24*

Please greet those around you before the announcements begin.

## **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Time of Greeting (Sharing God's Welcome)**

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### **Moments of Meditation**

While the music is being played, quietly prepare your heart for worship.

“May my lips overflow with praise, for you teach me your decrees.  
May my tongue sing of your word, for all your commands are righteous.”

Psalm 119:171-172

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

by Rodriguez

### **Call to Worship**

Isaiah 55:1

Men: “Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters;

Women: and you who have no money, come, buy and eat!

Men: Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost.

Women: Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy?

Men: Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and you will delight in the richest of fare.

Women: Give ear and come to me; listen, that you may live.

**ALL: I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love  
promised to David.**

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!  
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;  
Praise is His gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!  
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!  
He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend;  
His love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!  
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore,  
singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

**Scripture Reading**

Isaiah 48:17-22  
Pew Bible Page 1137

**Prayer of Confession**

**Congregation on bold print**

God of mercy, hear the prayers of Your thirsting people.  
For every time we promised to trust You  
but turned to our own way.  
When Your response did not come soon enough  
or in the way we expected.

**Grant us mercy, O God.**

For the many opportunities to extend forgiveness that we have refused.

**Show us what it means to love, again, dear Lord.**

For each way we put our own understandings above Your wisdom,  
and then go our own way still calling You Lord.

**Direct us in the way of Your truth and peace, we pray.**

For our silent sins of lust and covetousness,  
and our indifference to the suffering around us.

**Forgive us, Lord, and quench our thirst with Your grace;  
Remake us into vessels of tenderness and compassion,  
into vessels of grace and truth like You are.  
For Jesus sake we pray. Amen.**

## **Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

Romans 5:15-17; 20-21

<sup>15</sup> But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! <sup>16</sup> Again, the gift of God is not like the result of the one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. <sup>17</sup> For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. <sup>20</sup> The law was added so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, <sup>21</sup> so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**\*Hymn of Thanksgiving**

*Nothing but the Blood*

No. 307 vs. 1-3

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;  
no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my cleansing this I see - nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
For my pardon this my plea - nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;  
no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone - nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
Naught of good that I have done - nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;  
no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

**New City Catechism Question # 21**

**What sort of Redeemer is needed to bring us back to God?**

One who is truly human and also truly God.

**Prayer of Intercession**

**Tithes and Offering**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

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**\*Chorus of Preparation**

*As the Deer*

As the deer panteth for the water, so my soul longeth after Thee.  
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship Thee.  
You alone are my strength, my shield;  
To You alone, may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship Thee.

I want You more than gold or silver, only You can satisfy.  
You alone are the real joy giver, and the apple of my eye.  
You alone are my strength, my shield;  
To You alone, may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship Thee.

**Sermon**

**Asking for a Drink and Getting a River**

**John 4:4-26**

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Main Idea: In this story, and in the metaphors used, we are given a gift and a challenge:  
The gift – It reveals the greatness of Jesus and His salvation to me, and it reveals who I am and how I can enter His salvation. The challenge – Do I actually see and believe who Jesus is, and do I see who I am, and have I really entered into His salvation and live in it?

\* The Thirst

\* The Reach

\* The Offer

\* The Asking

\* The Getting

What is living life with Jesus like to you?

### **Celebration of the Lord's Supper**

Please hold the elements so that we may all partake together.

The bread set apart is gluten free.

We use wine in the Lord's Supper, however, for those who prefer,  
grape juice is provided in the outer ring of the tray.

**\*Hymn of Response**

*Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

No. 509 vs. 1 & 4

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high:  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm of life is past;  
Safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within:  
Thou of life the fountain art, freely let me take of Thee;  
Spring Thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity.

**\*Benediction**

**\*Gloria Patri**

No. 735

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.

**\*Postlude**

*In Heavenly Love Abiding*

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**\* Congregation:** Please stand as able.

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**Piano**

Denise O'Neal

**Scripture Reading & Intercessory Prayer**

Yon Lindborg, Elder

## Weekly Calendar

| <u>DATE</u>       | <u>TIME</u>    | <u>EVENT</u>                        |
|-------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>SUN 2/03</b>   | 9:00 AM        | Opening Exercises                   |
|                   | 9:15 AM        | Sunday School                       |
|                   | 10:30 AM       | Worship Service & The Lord's Supper |
|                   | 12:30 PM       | Session Meeting                     |
| <b>MON 2/04</b>   | 6:00 PM        | Hrivnak Care Group                  |
| <b>WED 2/06</b>   | 9:30 AM        | Ladies' Bible Study                 |
|                   | 11:00 AM       | Ladies' Bible Study                 |
|                   | <b>6:30 PM</b> | <b>Annual Corporation Meeting</b>   |
| <b>THURS 2/07</b> | 6:30 PM        | Financial Peace University Class    |
| <b>FRI 2/08</b>   | 6:00 PM        | Stoltzfus Care Group                |
| <b>SAT 2/09</b>   | 6:30 PM        | Annual Variety Show                 |
| <b>SUN 2/10</b>   | 9:00 AM        | Opening Exercises                   |
|                   | 9:15 AM        | Sunday School                       |
|                   | 10:30 AM       | Worship Service                     |
|                   | 6:00 PM        | Prayer Meeting                      |

### Important Upcoming Events

|                      |         |                                                                           |
|----------------------|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>SUN 2/24</b>      | 6:00 PM | Carry-in dinner with missionary Tracy Dager                               |
| <b>FRI-SUN 3/1-3</b> | TBD     | Marriage Seminar with Dr. Alan Strange from Mid-America Reformed Seminary |



## Serving the Lord

|                   | <i>2/03</i> | <i>2/10</i>              | <i>2/17</i>             |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| S.S. Nursery      | B. Schoon   | L. Hrivnak               | L. Martin               |
| AM Nursery        | B. Schoon   | D. O'Neal,<br>Mallory V. | S. DeGroot,<br>Emily S. |
| Greeters          | Sederberg   | Lanenga                  | Hrivnak                 |
| Bring Treats      | Lash        | Hrivnak                  | Schoon                  |
| Server & Clean-Up | Lash        | Hrivnak                  | Schoon                  |
| Audio             | J. Martin   | J. Martin                | B. Schoon               |
| Elder of the Week | Lindborg    | Schoon                   | Hrivnak                 |



## February Birthdays

|                                                      |                                    |                                     |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Reuben McAuley                       | 5 <sup>th</sup> Velma Grass        | 11 <sup>th</sup> Cherie Lee Yonker  |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> Felicia Armstrong                   | 18 <sup>th</sup> Phyllis Sederberg | 18 <sup>th</sup> Corinne Vanderstar |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> Gabriel Marshall                    | 23 <sup>rd</sup> Melissa Stoltzfus | 24 <sup>th</sup> Dean Lauer         |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> Kara O'Neal                         | 28 <sup>th</sup> Barb Terpstra     |                                     |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> Pete & Arlene Lanenga's anniversary |                                    |                                     |

## Announcements

☞ **The Lord's Supper:** The Lord's Supper will be celebrated today. An offering for the Deacon's Fund will be received at the back of the sanctuary.

☞ **Pastor Walter Lorenz:** This morning we welcome Walter Lorenz, Pastor at Large of the Great Lakes Presbytery and our interim pastor while we search for a new pastor. Dr. Bryan O'Neal will also be preaching during the month of February.

☞ **Annual Corporation Meeting:** The annual corporation meeting which was scheduled for this past Monday was postponed due to extremely cold temperatures and is now scheduled for this Wednesday, February 6, at 6:30 pm. The budget booklets are available on the table in the narthex (one per family). The 2019 budget will be presented and voted on at this meeting. Plans for the pastoral search and the formation of a Pastoral Search Committee will also be discussed. All members should plan to attend this important meeting. If you would like transportation to this meeting so you do not have to drive at night, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex and someone will contact you with details.

☞ **Annual Variety Show:** Our Variety Show this year will be held this Saturday, February 9, at 6:30 pm. The Hospitality & Fellowship Committee is looking for anyone willing to share their interest in music, art, literature, drama, etc. A sign-up sheet is in the foyer so please sign up TODAY or email your entry to the church off by Wednesday. Dessert will be served afterwards. This is a great event to invite friends!

☞ **Adult Sunday School:** Want to study the Bible and do you like to travel to new places? Then join the adult class taught by Bryan O'Neal as they travel with Paul on his second missionary journey (Acts 15:36-18:22).

☞ **Special Called Congregational Meeting:** The Session has called a special congregational meeting to be held immediately after the worship service on Sunday, February 17. This is expected to be a short meeting. The purpose is to elect members to serve on the Pastoral Search Committee. More information on the process involved will be distributed to the congregation today.

☞ **Ladies' Bible Study:** The Ladies' Bible Study will be studying "Pursuing Contentment," a *Women of Faith* Bible study. It was cancelled this past Wednesday, but it will meet this Wednesday, February 6. Please contact Val, Lucy, or Denise with questions.

☞ **Dave Ramsey Class:** Good Shepherd is hosting another installment of Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University starting Thursday, February 7, at 6:30 pm. This 9-week biblically-based class teaches individuals and families how to budget, payoff debt, save for retirement, and give responsibly. If you have taken the class before, consider coming back to these classes. Your presence would be a huge encouragement to the new students from the community who are signed up for the classes. Four of the videos have been updated and there is a new workbook for a minimal price if you took the class previously. Please contact Jason or Valerie Lash if you have any questions.

☞ **Men's Bible Study:** The Session would like to start up the Men's Bible study again in late February or early March. The last Bible study was very beneficial, but they would like to include more men if possible. Please take a minute to fill out the survey found on the table in the narthex and drop it in the folder labeled *Men's Bible Study* on the bulletin board outside the secretary office. Copies of the books being considered are on display on the table in the narthex. All the feedback will help in setting up a time and topic that suits the most people.

☞ **2019 Spring Evening Class:** Mid-America Reformed Seminary invites you to the 2019 Spring Evening Class led by Dr. Cornelis Venema. The class will be commemorating the 400th anniversary of the Synod of Dort. The classes will be held on Thursday evenings at Mid-America Reformed Seminary on February 21 & 28, and March 7 & 14 at 7:30 pm. The cost is free, and both on-campus and live-stream registration is available online at [www.midamerica.edu](http://www.midamerica.edu).

☞ **New Website Design:** Check out our church's website as it has been upgraded to a new, modern, fully responsive design. People use their laptops and iPhones to search topics and places today and with the new responsive design our website will automatically adapt to the user's device regardless of the screen size. Our website address has not changed so go to [www.goodshepherdpcanet.net](http://www.goodshepherdpcanet.net). If you have questions or comments, please talk to Jim Martin or Sandy DeGroot.

☞ **Cancellations:** When the weather is threatening on a Sunday morning, the elders will decide whether to hold Sunday School classes and the worship service by approximately 7:30 am. You can find out their decision by checking your email and/or by looking on the church's website. Since the greeting on the church's answering machine cannot be changed remotely, the cancellation will not be on the church's answering machine. If you do not have internet access, please let the secretary, Sandy DeGroot, know and she will make a phone call to your home approximately 8:00 a.m. to let you know of the cancellations.