

“For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.”
Philippians 1:21

September 26, 2021

Order of Worship

Morning Service

Welcome and Announcements

We Come to Worship

Opening Prayer

*Opening Song ~ CH 521 A New Name in Glory

*Call to Worship ~ (Psalm 9:1-2; 118:28; 13:5; 69:30)

Leader: I will praise You, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will be glad and rejoice in You.

People: I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High.

Leader: You are my God and I will praise You.

People: You are my God and I will exalt You.

Leader: I have trusted in Your mercy; My heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

People: I will praise the name of God with song, and will magnify Him with thanksgiving.

*Song of Praise ~ Before the Throne of God Above

*God's Greeting

*We Greet One Another

Psalms of Praise ~ Psalm 71:15-18, 14, 5; Hebrews 6:19

Leader: My mouth will tell of your righteous deeds, of your saving acts all day long— though I know not how to relate them all.

People: I will come and proclaim your mighty acts, Sovereign Lord; I will proclaim your righteous deeds, yours alone.

Leader: Since my youth, God, you have taught me, and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds. Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, my God, till I declare your power to the next generation, your mighty acts to all who are to come.

People: As for me, I will always have hope; I will praise you more and more. For you have been my hope, Sovereign Lord. I have this hope as an anchor for my soul, firm and secure.

Song of Praise ~ Christ The Sure and Steady Anchor

Message for the Children

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Call to Confession ~ Psalm 139

Leader: Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Prayer of Confession ~

Time of Silent Confession

Leader: In my distress, I cry to you, O Lord.

People: Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears hear my cries for mercy!

Leader: Lord, if you kept a record of all my sins, I would be crushed under its weight. But you don't. You forgive them all so that you may be praised!

People: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits and longs for you, more than those who watch for the morning. Your word gives me hope.

Leader: O people, hope in the Lord! His love is never ending and he has the power to redeem you from all your sins. (based on Psalm 130)

Assurance of Forgiveness ~ 1 Peter 1:3-9

Our Response ~ CH 562 Be Thou My Vision

Congregational Prayer

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

God's Word for Us

*Song ~ CH 696 God Leads Us Along

Scripture Reading ~ John 10:26-30

Message ~ The Keeping Power of God

Prayer

*Song ~ He Will Hold Me Fast

We Depart to Serve

*God's Parting Blessing

*Closing Song ~ CH 308 v 2, 3 There Is a Redeemer

RUDYARD CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
THE SUNDAY BULLETIN – September 26, 2021

Nursery is provided in the Educational Building for children up to age three.

Attendants today: Kathy Borowski, Donell Beelen, Leah Beelen, and Lila Tuzinowski

Next week: Natalie Hoolsema, Dana Rogers, Meagan Postma, and Bryce Mitchell

Junior Worship is provided in the Educational Building for 3, 4, and 5 year olds not yet in school. They will be dismissed before the morning sermon.

Helpers today: Amber Tuzinowski, Ethan Hoolsema, and Quinn Rogers

Next week: Colee Cheney, Emma Mitchell, and Colleen Rice

Sunday School and Catechism will meet today at 10:45 am.

Offerings today: **A.M. – General Fund** **P.M. – potluck service**

Next week: **A.M. – General Fund** **P.M. – Salvation Army**

2021 Amount Budgeted Weekly for General Fund: \$3638.

September 19 Offerings:

General Fund: \$3216; GEMS: \$50.

THIS WEEK – September 26 – October 3

TODAY:

- There will be a potluck-song service at the church property on Thompson Road at 5pm. Hot dogs will be provided. Bring your own chairs.
- The **Fellowship of Christian Athletes** will meet at the church at 6:30 pm.

MONDAY:

- Women's Bible Study will meet at 10:00 in the fellowship room. Books are available on the back bureau. Join us whether you have done the lesson or not. Think about who is the wisest person you have ever known and why?

TUESDAY:

- **Happy Birthday** to Gerald Hoolsema!
- **Happy Birthday** to Kim Cheney!

WEDNESDAY:

- **Women's Prayer Group** will meet in the Council Room at 10:00 am.

THURSDAY:

- The annual Christian School Harvest Sale is at 6:30 pm at the Rudyard Township Hall. If you are donating baked goods please provide a label/description. Perishable items preferred drop off on the 30th. Non-perishable items no later than the 26th. If you need help with drop off or pick up of items, please contact Stef Lubben.

FAMILY NEWS

Congratulations to Ben and Krystal English on the birth of their daughter, Abigail Dawn, on September 16!

Community Choir will be starting on Monday, October 4, at 6:30 pm. All are welcome to join.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is collecting items to send to our members from last year that are away at college. Boxes will be in the back of church if you would like to send items, letters, or baked goods. The boxes will be mailed out on October 4th. Baked goods should not be placed in the boxes until October 3rd. Also, this is a surprise, so please do not tell the students we are sending the items to. Any questions, see Billy.

Advance notice:

~ The first Youth Group Meeting will be on Tuesday, October 5, at 7 pm.

Please join our prayer team in the library every Sunday from 9:00 – 9:20 am as we pray for our church, our Council, and our church family.