"May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer." Psalm 19:14

March 27, 2022 ~ 4th Sunday of Lent

Order of Worship

Morning Service

Welcome and Announcements

We Come to Worship

Opening Prayer

*Opening Song ~ CH 342 Rock of Ages

*Call to Worship ~ from Psalm 32

Leader: Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit.

People: You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance.

Leader: I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you. Many are the woes of the wicked, but the Lord's unfailing love surrounds the one who trusts in him.

People: Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, you righteous; sing, all you who are upright in heart!

*Song of Praise ~ Wonderful, Merciful Savior

*We Greet One Another

Lenten Reading ~ Exodus 16:11-15; 2 Corinthians 5:15-21

Song ~ How Deep the Father's Love

Message for the Children

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Confession & Assurance ~

Leader: Today we lay before the cross the nails that pierced the hands and feet of the Son of God. The nails were our verdict, condemning this innocent Man to the undeserved suffering and disgrace of crucifixion. The empty tomb is God's verdict, vindicating Him. Yet through Christ, God comes to roll away our own deserved disgrace.

People: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us. Forgive us our cruelty, and fear, and quickness to condemn. We see the disgrace You bore because of us, and confess it as our own. In the shadow of Your cross we cry, "Have mercy on us."

Leader: Despite God's provision of manna, the Israelites feared, and refused to trust. They wandered in the wilderness, unable to enter the promised land. In His life and death Jesus was the true manna come down from heaven, true bread broken for us. Although He offers the eternal nourishment of His very self, we often fearfully refuse to trust, and to enter into God's promises.

People: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us. In fear we refuse to trust You fully; we reject Your provision for us. In the shadow of Your cross we cry, "Have mercy on us."

Leader: Let us pray together . . . O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: We look at Jesus, and we look at ourselves, and we confess the great difference.

People: Forgive us our lack of trust and deliver us from our willful fear. Conform us to Your will through trust and obedience. We thank You that through the resurrection, Your grace

abundantly pardons and transforms us! Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song ~ Afflicted Saint to Christ Draw Near (C. Dever)

Congregational Prayer

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

God's Word for Us

*Song ~ CH 521 A New Name in Glory

Scripture Reading ~ Luke 15:1-7

Message ~ Sharing God's Joy

Prayer

*Song ~ CH 11 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

We Depart to Serve

*God's Parting Blessing

*Closing Song ~ Bring Forth the Kingdom

Order of Worship

5 PM Service

Call to Worship & Prayer

Greeting

*Song of Praise \sim CH 480 Only Trust Him

Profession of Faith ~ Nicene Creed

Songs of Praise ~ Congregation Choice

Congregational Prayer

Offering

Video Series ~ Why Easter Matters (Andy Stanley)

*Benediction

*Parting Song ~ CH 493 Glory to His Name

^{*}God's Greeting

RUDYARD CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH THE SUNDAY BULLETIN – March 27, 2022

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

Attendants today: Kathy Borowski, Donell Beelen, Andrew

Borowski, and Quinn Rogers

Next week: Natalie Hoolsema, Dana Rogers, Jenelle

Hoolsema, and Lila Tuzinowski

<u>Junior Worship</u> 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: Marilyn Hoolsema, Eve Cheney, and Tristian

Hoolsema

Next week: Laura Schippers, Andrew Borowski, and Quinn

Rogers

Sunday School and Catechism will not meet today.

Offerings today: A.M. – General Fund

P.M. – White Wiles Home

Next week: A.M. – General Fund

P.M. - HEART

2022 Amount Budgeted Weekly for General Fund: \$3690.

March 20 Offerings:

General Fund: \$4779.01; **GEMS:** \$812; **Building Fund:** \$321.

THIS WEEK – March 27 – April 3

MONDAY:

- Women's Bible Study will meet at 10:00 in the fellowship room to study Lesson 7 – Making Peace.
- Community Choir will meet at 6:30 pm.

WEDNESDAY:

- Women's Prayer Group will meet in the Council Room at 10:00 am.
- Come join us for Christian Yoga Class! 7:00 in the fellowship hall. Cost is \$7.00 per person. Mats and props provided. Class will include scripture meditation as well as yoga postures to promote health and relaxation. We will meet the Lord on our mat as we exercise. Instructor is Anna Kowalskisutrapro.com/holyyogaannakowalski if you would like further information on holy yoga.

FAMILY NEWS

During the month of April, we will be participating with the other churches in Rudyard and having a baby shower for the Crisis Pregnancy
Center. Please place your gifts of love in the baskets provided in the foyer of church. Baby Essentials as well as new or gently used clothing would be appreciated as well as larger diapers (5-6), pull ups (medium and large), wipes, juice pouches, copier paper, postage stamps, and financial support (they have a number of building repairs and updates that need to be made).

Classis Northern Michigan seeks to encourage and support individuals who are planning to pursue full-time ministry in the CRC. The Classis has established a fund for those in need of financial aid at the graduate level. Applications and expectations for recipients may be obtained by contacting Andrea Shoaf at 231.826.4427 or andrea.shoaf@prospercrc.org. The application deadline is Saturday, April 30.