

"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

April 3, 2022 ~ 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

## **Order of Worship**

Morning Service

Welcome and Announcements

### **We Come to Worship**

Opening Prayer

\*Opening Song ~

CH 21 v 1, 2, 4, 5 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

\*Call to Worship ~ from Psalm 91

Leader: Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of  
the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in  
whom I trust."

**People: If you say, "The Lord is my refuge," and  
you make the Most High your dwelling, no  
harm will overtake you, no disaster will come  
near your tent.**

Leader: For he will command his angels concerning you  
to guard you in all your ways; they will lift you up in  
their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against  
a stone. You will tread on the lion and the cobra; you  
will trample the great lion and the serpent.

**People: "Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I  
will rescue him; I will protect him, for he  
acknowledges my name.**

Leader: He will call on me, and I will answer him; I will  
be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor  
him.

**People: With long life I will satisfy him and show  
him my salvation."**

\*Song of Praise ~ CH 17 v 1, 2, 5 Our Great Savior

\*God's Greeting

\*We Greet One Another

Lenten Reading ~ Deut 26:1-11; Romans 10:8b-13

Video Song ~ King of Kings (Hillsong)

Message for the Children

### **We Are Renewed in God's Grace**

Confession & Assurance ~

Leader: Our fifth symbol of Lent, the placard above  
Christ on the cross, proclaims, "This is Jesus of  
Nazareth, King of the Jews." Today in our Scripture  
readings we also consider Israel's offering of the first  
fruits. In presenting their first fruits to God the people  
of Israel began by telling their story, affirming their  
identity. So too, the sign above Jesus, despite the  
mockery intended, truly proclaimed His identity.

**People: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy  
on us. You called us to your kingdom. Yet, we  
missed the truth of your identity. We mocked  
and denied your claim. In the shadow of your  
cross we cry, "Have mercy on us."**

Leader: The first fruits were holy to the Lord,  
symbolizing grateful consecration of one's self, and all  
one's resources, to the God who always gives  
generously. In his life and death Jesus offered himself,  
a consecration in obedience even unto death. In his  
resurrection he became the first fruit of all who, in  
grateful faith, would consecrate self and resources to  
God, and be raised to life in him.

**People: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy  
on us. Too often, we miss the truth of your  
identity, but also of our own. We say we are  
your people, but fail to thank you; we hold back  
ourselves and our resources. In the shadow of  
your cross we cry, "Have mercy on us."**

Leader: Let us pray together . . . 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: Deliver us from ourselves; conform us to  
Christ and may we find our identity in him alone.  
We admit our helplessness apart from your  
grace. We thank you that through the**

**resurrection your grace abundantly pardons and  
transforms us! Through Jesus Christ our  
Lord. Amen.**

Song ~ CH 353 Victory in Jesus

**Congregational Prayer**

**Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**God's Word for Us**

\*Song ~ CH 348 v 1, 4, 5 My Savior's Love

Scripture Reading ~ John 16:16-22

Message ~ Everlasting Joy

Prayer

\*Song ~ CH 358 Because He Lives

**We Depart to Serve**

\*God's Parting Blessing

\*Closing Song ~ CH 815 Doxology

## **Order of Worship**

5 PM Service

Call to Worship & Prayer

Greeting

\*Song of Praise ~ CH 370 Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Profession of Faith ~ Apostle's Creed

Songs of Praise ~ Congregation Choice

Congregational Prayer

Offering

Video Series ~ Why Easter Matters (Andy Stanley)

\*Benediction

\*Parting Song ~

CH 324 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

**RUDYARD CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**  
**THE SUNDAY BULLETIN – April 3, 2022**

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

**Attendants today:** Natalie Hoolsema, Dana Rogers, Jenelle Hoolsema, and Lila Tuzinowski

**Next week:** Marilyn Hoolsema, Laura Schippers, Austin Hoolsema, and Tristian Hoolsema

**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:** Laura Schippers, Andrew Borowski, and Quinn Rogers

**Next week:** Kathy Borowski, Jenelle Hoolsema, and Colleen Rice

**Sunday School and Catechism** will not meet today.

**Offerings today:** A.M. – General Fund  
P.M. – HEART

**Next week:** A.M. – General Fund  
P.M. – Missions

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

**March 27 Offerings:**

**General Fund: \$2684.20; White Wiles Home: \$460.**

**THIS WEEK – April 3 - 10**

**MONDAY:**

- Women's Bible Study will meet at 10:00 in the fellowship room.
- Community Choir will meet at 6:30 pm.
- Youth Group will meet at 7:00 pm.

**TUESDAY:**

- Come join us for Christian Yoga Class! 7:00 pm in the fellowship hall. Cost is \$7.00 per person. Information is on the table in the narthex.

**WEDNESDAY:**

- **Women's Prayer Group** will meet in the Council Room at 10:00 am.
- **GEMS** (Grades 1-8) will meet at the church from 6:30 – 8:00 pm.
- **Cadets** (Grades 1-8) will meet at the church from 6:30 – 8:00 pm.
- **Happy Birthday** to Karen Busman!

**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).