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September 11, 2022

## Order of Worship

Morning Service

Welcome and Announcements

We Come to Worship

**Opening Prayer** 

\*Opening Song ~ CH 11 Come Thou Fount

\*Call to Worship ~

Leader: Shout for joy to God, all the earth! People: Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious.

Leader: Say to God,

People: "How awesome are your deeds!

Leader: So great is your power that your enemies cringe before you.

People: All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you, they sing the praises of your name."

Leader: Come and see what God has done,

**People: his awesome deeds for mankind.** Ps. 66:1-5

\*Song of Praise  $\sim$  In Christ Alone

\*God's Greeting

\*We Greet One Another

Litany of Learning: A Prayer for the New School Year Song of Response ~ CH 667 Lord, Speak to Me Message for the Children

We Are Renewed in God's Grace Song of Confession ~ Just as I Am/I Come Broken Assurance of Pardon  $\sim$  from Psalm 66:16-20 Leader: Come and hear, all you who fear God;, let me tell you what he has done for me. People: I cried out to him with my mouth; his praise was on my tongue. Leader: If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened; But God has surely listened and has heard my prayer. People: Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me! Leader: Hear the Word of the Lord. Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace. People: Thanks be to God. Song of Response ~ CH 17 v 1, 2, 5 Our Great Savior **Congregational Prayer** Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings God's Word for Us \*Song ~ Speak O Lord Scripture Reading ~ John 17:20-26 Message ~ The Gift of Oneness Prayer \*Song ~ CH 429 v 1, 2 They'll Know We Are Christians We Depart to Serve \*God's Parting Blessing \*Closing Song ~ CH 429 v 4 They'll Know We Are Christians

# Order of Worship

5 PM Service

Call to Worship & Prayer

\*Greeting

\*Song of Praise ~ CH 329 There Is Power in the Blood

Profession of Faith ~ Apostle's Creed

Songs of Praise ~ Congregation Choice

**Congregational Prayer** 

Offering

Video Series ~ That The World May Know Early Church: Becoming a Light in the Darkness

Session One: Everything to Lose, Nothing to Gain

\*Benediction

\*Parting Song ~ CH 408 How Firm a Foundation

Litany of Learning: A Prayer for the New School Year

- Leader: Today we celebrate the greatness of our God—the one who created us with minds to learn, gave us the abilities to master skills, and opens our hearts to understand that all learning is for his glory. We ask each person worshiping here today to celebrate schooling in this "Litany of Learning." We come before you, Lord, to proclaim your greatness. You have given us creation, which is the fruit of your creative genius and power. You call us to care for your world.
- People: Help us to learn about your world so that we can be faithful to our calling. We thank you for creation.

CHILDREN: WE PRAISE YOUR NAME FOREVER!

Leader: We promise to use our minds to study your world, to use our eyes, hands, ears and tongues to learn, discuss, question, and discover.

**People: We are fearfully and wonderfully made!** CHILDREN: WE PRAISE YOUR NAME FOREVER!

Leader: We celebrate ideas, numbers, words, and skills. We celebrate puzzles, paints, and colors. We celebrate imagination, instruments, and enzymes. All of it, Lord, is a part of your world.

#### People: Your world is marvelous!

CHILDREN: WE PRAISE YOUR NAME FOREVER!

Leader: We thank you for teachers who teach about your world. We thank you for students who see the wonder of your world unfold before them as they study. We thank you for textbooks that explain and help us explore the wonders of your world. We thank you for our classmates.

CHILDREN: WE PRAISE YOUR NAME FOREVER!

Leader: Help us to learn with joy. Nudge us to set higher goals when learning is easy, to keep on trying when learning is difficult, and to use the full potential you've given each of us.

# People: Thank you, Lord, that we serve you in our learning.

CHILDREN: WE PRAISE YOUR NAME FOREVER!

Leader: Help us to know that when our student days are over, you will show us where to serve you further, using what we have learned to meet the challenges of your world.

## People: Help us to be faithful.

CHILDREN: WE PRAISE YOUR NAME FOREVER!

Leader: We thank you, God, for our teachers and students. We support and encourage them in learning. Give us a desire to learn and to do our very best. Give us strength and energy. Father, we will uphold our students and teachers in prayer.

People: Together, Lord, we promise to study and use our learning today and tomorrow as we serve you faithfully. We give you all the praise, honor, and glory. CHILDREN: WE PRAISE YOUR NAME FOREVER!

ALL: WE PRAISE YOUR NAME FOREVER! AMEN.

# RUDYARD CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH THE SUNDAY BULLETIN – September 11, 2022

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

Attendants today:Wanda Mitchell, Jane Berkompas, Austin Hoolsema, and Ashlyn MitchellNext week:Krystal English, Jodie Postma, Bryce Mitchell, and Trey Ortiz

**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, MJ Beelen, and Becky BorowskiNext week:Kathy Borowski, Raya Morley, and Colleen Rice

Please stay after the morning service for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

<u>Offerings today:</u>	A.M. – General Fund
	A.M. – Crossroads Christian Fellowship
	P.M. – New Hope Food Pantry
<u>Next week:</u>	A.M. – General Fund
	P.M. –

2022 Amount Budgeted Weekly for General Fund: \$3690. September 4 Offerings: General Fund: \$4065; Missions: \$75.

## THIS WEEK – Sept 11 - 18

## TODAY:

• The congregation is invited to an open house in the afternoon to celebrate Joyce DeWitt's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Have a piece of cake while you see her new house.

## TUESDAY:

• New Building Committee will meet at 6:30 pm.

## WEDNESDAY:

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

## THURSDAY:

• Consistory will meet at 7pm. We are still looking for an individual or two who are willing to lead in the coming months for Sunday School Superintendent. Please see Pastor John or an elder if you are willing to lead in this important position.

## FRIDAY:

• **GEMS** Welcome Back sleepover will start at Rudyard Pool at 5 pm and continue at the church for the night.

#### FAMILY NEWS

The afternoon service next Sunday, September 18, will be at the church property on Thompson Road. Hot dogs will be provided.

#### Advance News:

~ Mark your calendars. Bible Study will begin Tuesday, October 4 at 6:30 pm. We will be studying "Acts, Seeing the Spirit at Work" by John Stott. Let Pastor John know if you will be attending so he can order enough books.

#### **Christian School:**

~ The Christian School would like to thank everyone who supported our ice cream fundraiser at the fair; if you came out and bought ice cream or volunteered your time and scooped ice cream or both, it is greatly appreciated! We sold over \$10,000 of ice cream! Thank you!

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.