

"A new command I give you; Love one another.
As I have loved you, so you must love one another."
John 13:34

January 8, 2023

Order of Worship

Morning Service
9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

We Come to Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Song ~ When Morning Gilds the Skies

CH 215 vs 1-3

*Call to Worship ~

Leader: All who thirst, come to the water.

Come, all who are weary;

Come all who yearn for forgiveness.

The Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ has washed over us,

And our gracious and holy God beckons and blesses us.

Drink deeply of these living waters.

People: Glory to you, O Lord, glory to you.

*Song of Praise ~ 10,000 Reasons

*God's Greeting

*We Greet One Another

Installation of Elders and Deacon

Song~ Great is Thy Faithfulness CH 139, vs 1,3

Message for the Children

We are Renewed in God's Grace

* Song of Confession: Just as I Am/I Come Broken

Assurance of Pardon~

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!**

Ps. 66:16-20

Leader: Hear the Word of the Lord. Know that you are
forgiven, and be at peace.

People: Thanks be to God.

Song~ Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone

Congregational Prayer

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

God's Word for Us

*Song ~ Speak, Oh Lord

Scripture Reading ~ Ecclesiastes 11:1-6

Message ~ Cast Your Bread Upon the Waters

Prayer

Song of Response~ God the Uncreated One
(King Forevermore)

We Depart to Serve

*God's Parting Blessing

*Song ~ There is a Redeemer vs. 1

Afternoon Service

Service of Praise and Prayer

5:00 pm

Praise and Prayer ~ God's Mercies Never Come to an End

Opening Song ~ In Christ Alone

Leader: After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." (Matthew 2)

Song ~ CH 288 v 1, 2, 5 We Three Kings

Leader: Rejoice and celebrate the new life that has been born among us. Thanks be to God, we are born anew in Jesus Christ, the hope of all the world.

People: We come to God, to praise him for his faithfulness throughout our days and to pray for guidance in the coming year.

Song ~ CH 680 All the Way My Savior Leads Me

Scripture Reading ~ Lamentations 3:21-24

Leader: Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope:

People: Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.

Leader: They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

People: I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion; therefore I will wait for him."

Prayer ~

Leader: Eternal God, who can make all things new, we humbly bring before you the record of our lives in the year now ended. Where life has been good to us, we give you thanks and praise. Where we have been good to others, may our reward be your smiling face. Where we have fallen short of your good pleasure, forgive us and free us from our sinful past.

(Remembering and confessing in silence)

People: Holy God, cleanse us by your mercy, guide us by your truth, fill us with your love, and lead us forward in hope, through the grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Song ~ Goodness of God

Scripture Reading ~ Ecclesiastes 3:1-14; John 14:1-14

Testimonies of God's presence in our lives in the past year

Song ~ Lead Me, Guide Me

Prayers for Each Other and Our Neighbors Near and Far

(People, places, and situations in our neighborhood and around the world where the hope of Christ is needed; concluding with the Lord's Prayer.)

Offering / Song ~ CH 270 v 1, 2, 4 Joy to the World!

Parting Promise ~ Revelation 21:1-5a

Parting Blessing

Leader: In this new year, the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: May Almighty God—the Father, Son and Holy Spirit—bless, preserve, and keep us this night and for evermore.

People: Amen

Closing Song ~ CH 576 The Steadfast Love of the Lord

RUDYARD CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
THE SUNDAY BULLETIN – January 8, 2023

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

Attendants today: Alison Cheney, Amber Tuzinowski, Emma Mitchell, and Lila Tuzinowski

Next week: Emily Hoolsema, Wanda Mitchell, Lauren Borowski, and Colleen Rice

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: Leah Beelen, Ashlyn Mitchell, and Colleen Rice

Next week: Dana Rogers, Kyle Postma, and Tristian Hoolsema

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

Offerings today: A.M. – General Fund

P.M. – Missions

Next week: A.M. – General Fund

P.M. – Care Net Pregnancy Center

2022 Amount Budgeted Weekly for General Fund: \$3878.

January 1 Offerings:

General Fund: \$6483.16; Missions: \$75; Building Fund: \$768.61; Christian School: \$509.

THIS WEEK – January 8 - 15

MONDAY:

- **Youth Group** will meet at 7:00 pm.

TUESDAY:

- **Bible Study** will meet at 6:30 pm. We will be studying "Acts, Seeing the Spirit at Work" by John Stott.

WEDNESDAY:

- **Women's Prayer Group** will meet in the Council Room at 10:00 am.
- **Women's Bible Study** will meet at 11:00 in the fellowship room.
- **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 Besse Cones!

FAMILY NEWS

Congratulations to Carrie Berkompas and Mark Dick who were united in marriage yesterday, January 7. Cards can be sent to:

Mark and Carrie Dick
7060 S 7 Mile Rd
McBain, MI 49657

Do you have skills or talents you want to share or an interest to learn more? We are looking for volunteers to join the church tech team. The tech team is responsible for the design and maintenance of the church audio and visual system, setting up the slides used during the service, running the sound and video system during services, setting up the live stream, maintaining the church network, maintaining and updating the church website and social media account, and keeping other church software and technology tools and licenses up to date..Contact Nate for more information or to volunteer. Training will be provided for new volunteers based on interest.

Monica is preparing the end of year statements. If there are any errors in your statement or if you would like to start receiving a year end statement, please contact a deacon.

Advance News:

~ The Youth Group will be having a Chili/Soup Supper on Friday, January 10, from 5-7 pm at the church. Cost is by donation.

Sanctity of Human Life Prayer Service:

The Sanctity of Human Life Sunday multi denominational service will be held on Sunday, January 15th, at 2 pm. This year's service is being hosted by the First Church of Christ located at 300 Spruce St. Sanctity of Human Life Sunday is a day for all Americans to focus on the value of each and every human life. The service will include prayer, scripture, gospel message, and worship. Snacks and fellowship will follow. Chippewa County Right to Life and Care Net Pregnancy Center will be co sponsoring this event. There will be a free will offering for Care Net Pregnancy Center as well.

LSSU Pro-Life Student Group to host March for Life:

Students from the LSSU chapter of "Protect Life Michigan" will host a March for Life on Saturday, January 21st. The march will commemorate the 50th anniversary of Roe vs Wade. The march will start at noon at the corner of Ashmun and Portage and proceed down the sidewalk on Ashmun to Easterday and back. Everyone is invited to participate even if you can only walk a short distance, or ride in a car if you are not able to walk. The march will demonstrate that regardless of proposal 3 we will continue to fight for the right to life of unborn babies and be a voice for the voiceless. Pro-life signs will be available to carry. Participants are encouraged to consider making their own personal signs as well. Please join us.

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.