

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pastor Jeffrey Hubers

February 4, 2018

8:30 a.m. Service

Call to Worship

*Greet One Another

*Hymn of Praise

#66 "To God Be the Glory"

Prayers of God's People

Pastor Jeffrey

Installation and Ordination of Elders & Deacons

Elders: John Koons & Scot VanderPol

Deacons: Dennis Butterfield & Dan Pranger

Offering Our Gifts to God

Philip Van't Haaff, deacon

Please sign the worship registry during offering time.

4 yr. olds - 2nd graders dismissed for Children & Worship

*Hymn

#323 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

Scripture

Mark 2:18-28

Message

"Something New" ~ Pastor Jeffrey

Celebration of Holy Communion

*Benediction

*Hymn

#303 "People Need the Lord"

Scripture reading for Feb. 11: Mark 3

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## 11:00 a.m. Service

Greet One Another

\*Praise Songs

Prayers of God's People

\*Praise Song

*4 yr. olds - 2nd grade are dismissed for Children in Worship.*

Scripture

Mark 2:18-28

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Celebration of Holy Communion

\*Benediction

\*Ending Song

\*\*\*\*To listen to the service on the phone, dial 990-6338 & put in 13201 as attendee number.

## PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE:

Pray for individuals & families dealing with serious health issues:

Steve Huber's aunt

Scott Appletoft's sister, Lori

Ryan, Shirley Baas' grandson,

Clarice Adema

Dale Houchin's cousin, Lynn,

Jeff Hoffman

Vicky Graves, brother-in-law, Bryan

Loren Menning

Jean Marie, Dan Moller's sister

Gregg Hielema

Mike Ligtenberg

## Needing our prayers:

\**Twila Raul is home after her knee replacement, pray for pain relief, healing and restored mobility for her*

\**Clarice Adema remains in hospital with pneumonia & low blood count*

\**Kim Vermeulen's mother, Bonnie, as she struggles with Crohn's disease & is hospitalized at Queen of Peace*

\**Corinne Ligtenberg will have another cataract surgery next week*

\**Jared, Dana Hansen's brother, is now under hospice care*

\**Ray Bleeker, Dave Christenson, Loren Menning & Donald Rueb to regain their strength*

\**Pray for the workers on the church's construction site for safety and timely progress in completing the building*

\**Continued prayers for all those struggling with cold/flu and other seasonal illness especially in nursing homes that are fighting the flu and RSV*

\**Pray for the tragedies going on around the world - terrorist attacks, suicide bombers, earthquakes, disease and famine*

\**Pray for the military and those fighting against the war on terrorism*

\**Pray for the president and administration and faithful leadership*

\**Pray for the victims and families of the school shooting in Kentucky*

\**Pray for the family of the farming accident outside Alexandria this past weekend*

## Mission/Outreach

Continent of the month: South America

Mission of the week: Brian & Elizabeth Bruxvoort ~ Alaska

Classis Church of the week: Faith Community ~ Wishek, ND ~ vacant

Mitchell Church of the week: Word of Life ~ Bill Parks

FRC local mission of the week: Love Feast

Persecuted Church of Christ: North Korea

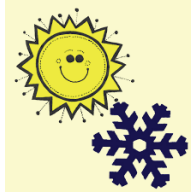
*The "First" family extends our sympathy to Bob & Betty Polly and their family in the passing of Bob's father, Allen, on Monday. His funeral was held on Feb. 3rd at First Reformed in Platte.*

**WELCOME TEAM:** (for both 8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. services)

| Welcome Team                | Date    |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Dave/Pam Punt               | Feb. 4  |
| Dennis/Jane Butterfield     | Feb. 11 |
| Rosalie Spaans/Judy Berkhof | Feb. 18 |
| Beth Walz/Vicky Graves      | Feb. 25 |

**FELLOWSHIP TIME:**

Feb. 4: Verla Vlieger  
 Feb. 11: Vicky Graves  
 Feb. 18: Marge Engel  
 Feb. 25: Randi Pietz



**BASIC INFORMATION:**

Attendance January 28: 201  
 General offering received January 28: \$3,762.25  
 Weekly offering needed: \$6,582.46

**NURSERY**

**NURSERY** for babies - 3 yr olds.

Today: 8:30 a.m. ~ Mavis A. & Janet K.  
 9:45 a.m. ~ Angie V. & Kari H.  
 11:00 a.m. ~ Jeff Schoenfelder family

Feb. 7: Dixie & Molly S.

Feb. 11: 8:30 a.m. ~ Joann M. & Kobie K.  
 9:45 a.m. ~ Scott Pietz family  
 11:00 a.m. ~ Severtson family

Feb. 14: Ash Wednesday - No kids' activities tonight

Feb. 18: 8:30 a.m. ~ Bonnie A. & Angie V.  
 9:45 a.m. ~ Nancy P. & Kim K.  
 11:00 a.m. ~ Gloria F. & Joseph K.

Feb. 21: Dina VW. & Verla V.

**CHILDREN and WORSHIP** for 4 yr. olds - 2nd grade

Today: "The Great Pearl"  
 1st Leader - Kari; Greeters - Betsy V. & Dawson A.  
 2nd Leader - Mandy; Greeters - Kathy M. & Sean P.

Feb. 11: "The Good Samaritan"  
 1st Leader - Randi; Greeters - Sara B. & Erin S.  
 2nd Leader - April; Greeters - Alyssa & Anthony G.

Feb. 18: "Lenten Puzzle"  
 1st Leader - Taylor; Greeters - Pam P.  
 2nd Leader - Mandy; Greeters - Amber N.

**THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES:**

Monday, the 5th:  
 1:30 p.m. ~ Hannah Circle members are invited to gather at Wesley Acres for coffee and cake. Hope to see you there! If you have questions, call Judy Berkhof or Judy VanderPol  
 5:30 p.m. ~ Book Club meets at Wesley Acres  
 ("A Little Salty to Cut the Sweet" ~ Sophie Hudson)

Wednesday, the 7th:  
 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. ~ Midweek activities for K-5th grades  
 6:15 p.m. ~ Love Bible study  
 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. ~ Jr. Hi. & Sr. Hi. youth group  
 Help with Mitchell Christian auction set-up  
 7:45 p.m. ~ Senior Choir practice

Saturday, Feb. the 10th:  
 8:00 a.m. ~ Ladies' Bible study at Klingers

Sunday, the 11th:  
 Senior Choir sings

Wednesday, the 13th:  
 ASH WEDNESDAY service at 7 p.m.  
 No other activities but choir practice  
 7:45 p.m. ~ Senior Choir practice



**Mitchell Christian School Benefit Auction**



Friday, February 9th &  
 Saturday, February 10th

*Our goal is to enable students to attend MCS who might not otherwise have the financial means. Students pay tuition which covers less than 60% of our operating expenses. Therefore, we make up the difference through gifts and fundraising events such as the auction.*



**Congratulations to our newly elected elders: John Koons & Scot VanderPol; and deacons: Dennis Butterfield & Dan Pranger.**

On behalf of the Stephen's Ministry Team, we are bringing to your attention the need for additional support, leadership, guidance, and participation. Stephen's Ministry has been a vital source of care for this congregation and surrounding community. The ministry has reached a current season where our care team and ministry leaders are exhausted and struggling to discern the next steps for Stephen's Ministry. This is a request for:

1. Prayer for and suggestions on how to move forward with this ministry
2. Increase in membership on the care team
3. Leadership for the care team and Stephen's Ministers

If you are interested or have ideas about any of the requests made above, please feel free to contact the following:

Pastor Jeffrey ([jeffrey@mitchelltelecom.net](mailto:jeffrey@mitchelltelecom.net))

Beth Walz ([bethjwalz@gmail.com](mailto:bethjwalz@gmail.com))

Gene Juffer([genesphoto@santel.com](mailto:genesphoto@santel.com))



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We ask you to take a moment to try to imagine the Life of an Abused or Neglected Child.

* Imagine being scared and alone and crying in the night - with no father or mother to comfort you.

*Imagine going to a strangers' home for the holidays because you have nowhere else to go.

* Imagine moving two or three times a year, and starting over at two or three new schools.

* Imagine living in a group home with delinquent kids, and your only crime is that you have no one to care for you.

It is hard for most of us to imagine the life of an abused or neglected child, but the situations above are real and are happening in your community...

We are challenging you to be involved with the local First Circuit CASA (Court Appointed Support Advocates for Children). How can you help?

✦ Make a basket with contents of your choosing that will be auctioned off at our Baskets of Hope Luncheon & Auction being held on March 24, 2018 at the Mitchell Wesleyan Church - for details call

Jackie at 996-1212 or e-mail jackie.horton@mitchellcasa.org

✦ Take a special collection on behalf of CASA.

“Lift up a child's voice, Lift up a Life.”

Love Feast

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

On Thursday, FEB. 22, First Reformed Church will again sponsor the 'Love Feast' at First United Methodist Church. This is a wonderful opportunity to serve those in need in our community.

A free supper will be provided for about 350+ people. **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!**

Can you assist in any of the following ways?:

***FOOD DONATIONS** - a list of needed items is on the bulletin board in the lobby. Please bring items to the church no later than SUNDAY, FEB. 18th.

***FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS** to purchase food and milk for the meal can be placed in the collection canister in the lobby. (Checks payable to First Reformed Church).

***VOLUNTEER WORKERS** - We need 12-14 people (beginning at 6:15 p.m.) to help with preparation on February 21 and 30 workers for the Love Feast on Feb. 22. Youth, adults, and families are welcome! Details on the signup sheet in the lobby. If you work at the Love Feast on Thursday, your meal is provided, and you will be done by 7 p.m.

*And we need small plastic containers (yogurt, butter, etc.) to take meals out to our shut-ins.

PLEASE LEAVE ALL DONATIONS IN Mona's office, except for refrigerated items. THANK YOU.

Please contact Audrey Juffer (999-6177) or Verla Vlieger (996-5856) if you have questions about the Love Feast.

*Sign-up sheets out
on the bulletin board.*

Hope Bible Study will begin a new study on Wednesday, January 3, 2018. We will be studying "Dwelling in God's Peace" by Sarah Young. In this 8 session study par-