

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pastor Dean Ulmer
Pastor Jeffrey Hubers
May 7, 2017

8:30 a.m. Service

PRELUDE

Call to Worship

*Greet One Another

*Hymn of Praise

#97 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Profession of Faith

Glenn Lambert

Prayers of God's People

Mike Asmus, elder

Offering Our Gifts to God

Scott Gerlach, deacon

Please sign the worship registry during offering time.

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

*Hymn

#351 "Moment by Moment"

Scripture

Hebrews 13

Message

"Final Instructions and Blessings" ~ Pastor Dean

*Benediction

*Parting Song

#192 "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power"

11:00 a.m. Service

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*Praise Songs

Prayers of God's People

*Praise Song

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*Ending Song

***Second service attendees: Please place your offering for the week in one of the collection plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.

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

If you would like to hear the sermon again, you can find it on the church's website www.firstreformed.com

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:1-2

Scripture reading for May 14: John 14:1-14

Message Notes:

Scripture: Hebrews 13

Message: "Final Instructions and Blessings" ~ Pastor Dean

The writer offers spiritual instruction for our private life!

-vs. 1-8

The writer offers spiritual instruction for our public life!

-vs. 9-17

The writer offers spiritual instruction for our present life!

-vs. 18-25

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

| <u>Welcome Team</u> | <u>Date</u> |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Beth Walz/Vicky Graves | May 7 |
| Dennis/Jane Butterfield | May 14 |
| Doug/Jeanine Bleeker | May 21 (9 a.m. combined service) |
| John/Karla Koons | May 28 (9 a.m. combined service) |

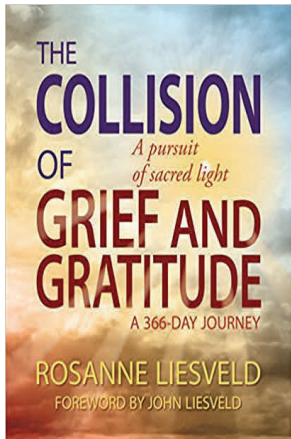
FELLOWSHIP TIME:

May 7: Mavis Anderson
May 14: Judy VanderPol
May 21: Jan Klinger
May 28: Judy Barnes

BASIC INFORMATION:

Attendance April 30: 208
Offering received April 30: \$5,031.03
Weekly offering needed: \$6,817.92
Mission fund monthly offering needed to meet our budget - \$3,738.25
5th Sunday offering for Inspiration Hills: \$844.00

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Coming in May, 2017, “The Collision of Grief and Gratitude” by Rosanne Liesveld. A pursuit of sacred light - a 366 day journey, a book for anyone who wants to live life with more intention and gratitude.

Rosanne is our former pastor, Curt Liesveld’s widow, and she is sharing her journey after Curt unexpectedly passed away.

This is what Rosanne wrote to us:

With gratitude to members of First Reformed, You are a very special person to me. As you may know, the book I’m publishing is largely about the gratitude I felt toward people. As I catalogued those people mentioned in the pages who made such a difference to me in that

year that Curt died, your name was there. I wanted you to be among the first to know that the book will be released in May.

Without you, this book would not have happened. Thank you for giving me a reason to find gratitude, even as it collided with grief. Rosanne

P.S. I have identified most people only by first names. I hope it is an honor for you to have your name included in this book.

**PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE:**

**Pray for individuals & families dealing with serious health issues:**

Ryan, Shirley Baas’ grandson, treatments going well  
Jill, Dale & Sharon Houchin’s friend, is doing radiation & is depressed  
Jared, Dana Hansen’s brother, for strength & comfort  
Clarice Adema is getting her strength back  
Jean Marie, Dan Moller’s sister, maintenance chemo & monitoring  
Loren Menning pray for strength & stamina  
Rosie Evenson finished her chemo last week  
Norma Larsen’s daughter, Amy, had surgery last week, pray for healing and pain management  
Pastor Dean & Wanda’s daughter-in-law’s father, Don, as he continues with chemo treatments  
Karla Koons’ mother’s scans were great this week - return in 3 months

**Needing our prayers:**

- \*Randy Tieszen will have a shoulder replacement on May 8th at Mayo
- \*Doug Bleeker had surgery on his left arm for a compound fracture - pray for healing, pain management & recovery
- \*Betty Anderson’s scans came back good
- \*Rhonda Zomer’s father, Herb Uttecht, is doing well after heart surgery
- \*Maddie Andersen healing for her broken foot
- \*Andy Spaans’ one test came back good & waiting for other results
- \*Ron Beukelman, Twila Raul recovering strength
- \*Pray for the military and those fighting against the war on terrorism
- \*Pray for spring rains and the upcoming planting season
- \*Students in tech schools, college, and graduate programs that will face finals and papers as they finish the semester
- \*Elementary, mid-school, and high school students and teachers to remain focused as spring and summer arrive
- \*Pray for our president, his cabinet, our military, and leaders as they combat and discern actions against our enemies

**Mission/Outreach**

**Continent of the month:** Africa

**Mission of the week:** Brian & Elizabeth Bruxvoort ~ Alaska

**Classis Church of the week:** The Reformed Church ~ Dell Rapids ~ Rick Timmer

**Mitchell Church of the week:** Assembly of God ~ Jon Potter

**FRC local mission of the week:** Vacation Bible School

**Persecuted Church of Christ:** Uzbekistan

Thank you to all the volunteers of our Wednesday night programs for K-5 and Jr. and Sr. Hi. youth. It has been a great program this year. Those programs depend on our leaders, Mandy Stevens and Pastor Jeffrey, who inspire the adult volunteers to share their faith in our Lord, Jesus Christ.

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## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Monday, the 8th:

- 1:30 p.m. ~ Hannah Circle meets (hostess - Judy VP; devotions - Nancy; leader - Betty B.)
- 6:30 p.m. ~ Jr. Hi. Girls Bible study

Tuesday, the 9th:

- 6:45 p.m. ~ Executive board meets
- 7:00 p.m. ~ Elders & deacons meet
- 8:00 p.m. ~ Leadership team meets (lunch - Pietz)

Thursday, the 11th:

Noon ~ 'Senior & Saints' lunch

Saturday, the 13th:

- 7:45 a.m. ~ Ladies' Bible study at Klingers
- 8 - 11:00 a.m. ~ 'Paint 'n Praise for K - 5th grades
- 2:00 p.m. ~ Mitchell Christian School graduation

## SUNDAY & WEDNESDAY NURSERY

NURSERY for babies - 3 yr olds.

- Today: 8:30 a.m. ~ Mentele family  
 9:45 a.m. ~ Emily A. & Angie V.  
 11:00 a.m. ~ Gloria F. & Teri R.
- May 14: 8:30 a.m. ~ Joann M. & Kim V.  
 9:45 a.m. ~ Stevens family  
 11:00 a.m. ~ Jed Schoenfelder family
- May 21: 9:00 a.m. ~ Angie V. & Carlie VP (combined service)

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

- Today: "Ascension"  
 1st Leader - April; Greeters - Janice P. & Lindsay A.  
 2nd Leader - Carolyn; Greeters - Erin S.
- May 14: "Pentecost"  
 1st Leader - Kari; Greeters - Betsy V. & Brayce H.  
 2nd Leader - Mandy; Greeters -

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Mandy needs the congregation's help in collecting milk/distilled water gallon jugs for a project for Vacation Bible School this summer.

THIS IS A BIG PROJECT— NEEDED ARE 428 JUGS. Please wash them out when they are empty. Lids are not necessary. You can bring them to the church when you like & we will store them until they are needed.

You won't believe what Mandy is building for VBS this year so let's help her out with her building materials!

Please put these dates on your calendar for the following activities



May 13: 'Paint 'n Praise' ~ 8 - 11:00 a.m. for K-5th grades

This will be a fun, creative fellowship opportunity. We'll start with some treats (donuts, muffins, juice) then April Geist will lead us in painting a beautiful canvas to take home. There will be a break halfway through where Mandy will do a quick, fun Bible lesson. Sign up in the lobby.
 Mitchell Christian School graduation ~ 2 p.m.

May 14: MOTHER'S DAY

Coborn's receipts are due for February, March & April
 Last Day of Sunday School classes and Children & Worship
 Recognition of First's seniors
 7:30 p.m. ~ Mitchell High School baccaulaureate

May 21: 9:00 a.m. Combined service

Bible presentation to kids
 Recognition of volunteers
 Launch Vacation Bible School
 Mitchell High School graduation ~ 2 p.m.

May 28: Memorial Day weekend

9:00 a.m. ~ Combined service

June 4-9:

Mission trip to Oklahoma to help rebuild after storms & tornadoes

June 4:

9:00 a.m. Combined service ~ with communion served

June 11:

9:00 a.m. Combined service
 Mission team reporting on their trip to Oklahoma

July 16-20: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 22-26: Rocky Mountain High at Estes Park, Colorado

Thank you for your donations for the college care packages. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to send 10 packages to our college/tech kids for finals. We appreciate all the support shown for this project. The Congregational Care Committee



Your influence MATTERS.

Everyone has influence and the ability to create positive change. When you improve your leadership, you impact lives, churches, businesses, governments, schools and families. Join 400,000 people around the world for two days of world-class leadership training on August 10 & 11, 2017, at the Sherman Center on the Dakota Wesleyan University campus.

Faculty members deliver a unique blend of vision, inspiration and practical skills you can immediately apply. Some of the topics to be covered include:

- *Assessing an organization's growth potential*
- *Creating an innovative culture*
- *Reimagining performance management*
- *Identifying personal attributes critical for success*
- *Thriving in the face of adversity*

There is a sign up sheet in the lobby if you are interested in attending the summit. The cost for the summit is \$99 per person. If you have questions or need assistance with the fee, please talk to Pastor Dean.



The Heart & Sole Cancer Walk and Run will be Friday, June 16th, at the Middle School beginning with the walk at 6:30 p.m. & the run at 7 p.m., followed by the candlelight ceremony at 9:30 p.m.

Luminaries are available to purchase for \$5 until June 15th. You can purchase them online at www.mitchellheartandsole.com or pick up a slip in our church lobby to purchase your luminaries. Mail luminary forms and money to PO Box 236 in Mitchell or drop off at either CorTrust Bank location.

There are registration forms for the races on the lobby table.



Our graduating high school seniors will be recognized on Sunday, May 14th. We will publish a short bio of their high school years & future plans on May 21st.



If you have/had someone in your family graduate from college or technical school this spring, please let the office know as we would like to recognize their achievements, too.

They will be published with our high school graduates on May 21st.



Please continue to donate used bikes & purses for Center of Hope, shoes for Soles 4 Souls, your stamps from County Fair and food or monetary donations to the Food Pantry located at 212 West 1st.

During the month of May, we would like to collect canned fruit for the Food Pantry. Please drop it off in the box in the lobby. You may also give cash for the Food Pantry to purchase the fruit at a greatly reduced price! Thanks in advance!