



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pastor Jeffrey Hubers

November 12, 2017

8:30 a.m. Service

PRELUDE

Call to Worship

"O, How He Loves You and Me" Senior Choir

*Greet One Another

*Hymn of Praise

#59 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Prayers of God's People

Pastor Jeffrey

Ministry of Music

Senior Choir

"Higher Ground" Gabriel/Carter

Offering Our Gifts to God

Scott Gerlach, deacon

Please sign the worship registry during offering time.

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

*Hymn

#177 "What Wondrous Love Is This"

Scripture

2 Kings 8:1-6

Message

"Great Things" ~ Pastor Jeffrey

*Benediction

*Parting Song

#4 "How Great Thou Art"

Scripture reading for November 19: Ruth 1

11:00 a.m. Service

Greet One Another

*Praise Songs

Prayers of God's People

Pastor Jeffrey

*Praise Song

Scripture

2 Kings 8:1-6

Message

"Great Things" ~ Pastor Jeffrey

*Ending Song

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

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,

Vi Davis, Houchins' friend,

Dale Houchin's cousin, Lynn,

Jared, Dana Hansen's brother,

Jeff Hoffman

Jean Marie, Dan Moller's sister,

Norma Larsen's daughter, Amy,

Loren Menning

Vicky Graves' brother-in-law, Brian

Gregg Hielema

Clarice Adema - begin new meds in an attempt to stabilize her white blood count for 2 mos.

Needing our prayers:

*Donald Rueb is at the Scotland Hospital for recuperation

*Jay Anderson - praise for successful back surgery & now for pain management & healing

*Lucy Rietveld was at Mayo on Nov. 8 for tests, praise for clear scans

*Doug Bleeker continues at Brady, pray for electrolyte levels to rise & patience in healing process for both Doug & Jeanine

*Kim Vermeulen's mother, Bonnie's back surgery went well - pray for healing & rehab in Gregory

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

*Pray for our president, his cabinet, our military, and leaders as they combat and discern actions against our enemies

*Prayers for those caught in the New York City attack and the shooting in Colorado—pray for the peace of Christ to transform lives and hearts in the midst of such senseless violence

*Pray for the workers on the church's construction site for safety and good weather so they can get the building enclosed

*Pray for the farmers and the harvesting that is now going on in field across the state

Mission/Outreach

Continent of the month: Africa

Mission of the week: Joshua & Nicoloy Vis ~ Israel/Palestine

Classis Church of the week: Strasburg Reformed ~ Strasburg, ND
Floyd Haan - pulpit supply

Mitchell Church of the week: Holy Family Catholic Church ~
Shane Stevens

FRC local mission of the week: Operation Christmas Child

Persecuted Church of Christ: Kyrgyzstan & Laos

The "First" family extends our sympathy to Jeff & Dina VanderWilt & family in the passing of Jeff's grandfather last week.

Also sympathy to Betty Visscher in the passing of her brother, Wes Hoekman last week.

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

<u>Welcome Team</u>	<u>Date</u>
John/Karla Koons	Nov. 12
LeRoy/Susan Punt	Nov. 19
Scott/Nicole Gerlach	Nov. 26 (only 9 a.m.)
Dave/Pam Punt	Dec. 3

FELLOWSHIP TIME:

Nov. 12: Vicky Graves
Nov. 19: Marge Engel
Nov. 26: Randi Pietz

BASIC INFORMATION:

Attendance October 29: 198; November 5: 172
General offering received October 29: \$5,031.32
November 5: \$4,365.09
Weekly offering needed: \$6,817.92
Offering for Proverbs 226: \$965.00

NURSERY

NURSERY for babies - 3 yr olds.

Today: 8:30 a.m. ~ Andy Mentele family
9:45 a.m. ~ Kari H. & Angie V.
11:00 a.m. ~ Kyle & Vicky G.
November 15: Alicia W. & Verla V.
November 19: 8:30 a.m. ~ Dixie Schladweiler family
9:45 a.m. ~ Amy A. & Kim K.
11:00 a.m. ~ Jeff Schoenfelder family
November 22: No Family night
November 26: 9:00 a.m. ~ Stevens' family
No Sunday School

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

Today: "The Ark & a Tent for God"
1st Leader - Taylor; Greeters - Haley S
2nd Leader - Mandy; Greeters - Pam P. & Erin S.
Nov. 19: "The Promised Land"
1st Leader - Kari; Greeters - Sara B. & Dawson A.
2nd Leader - Gloria; Greeters - Amber N. & Sean P.
Nov. 26: "Exile & Return" (only combined service today)
1st Leader - Mandy; Greeters - Hannah S.



COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL CHRISTMAS BOXES See sign up sheets on the lobby table so that you can indicate what items you would like to purchase for the boxes! We have upped our goal to send **250 boxes this year!**

If you do buy anything for those boxes, you can drop them off at the church for our yearly Box Packing Party in early November. The cost for shipping the boxes has gone up to \$9 per box so any donations & help from the congregation would be greatly appreciated.

The PACKING PARTY is scheduled for November 15th.

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**UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

Monday, the 13th:

1:30 p.m. ~ Hannah Circle meets  
(devotions - Judy VP.; hostess - Shirley T; lesson - Elisha)  
\*\*\*COBORN'S RECEIPTS ARE DUE FOR MONTHS OF August, September & October. Thanks for your support!

Tuesday, the 14th:

6:45 p.m. ~ Executive board meeting  
7:00 p.m. ~ Elders & deacons meetings  
8:00 p.m. ~ Leadership meeting (lunch - Punt)

Wednesday, the 15th:

6:15 - 7:30 p.m. ~ OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD PACKING PARTY -  
Everyone is invited to help with this fun event!  
Jr. Hi. youth group (6-8th grade) & Sr. Hi. youth group (9-12th grade) will be joining the packing  
7:45 p.m. ~ Senior Choir practice

Saturday, the 18th:

8:00 a.m. ~ Ladies' Bible study at Klingers

Sunday, the 19th:

Mission fund offering  
3:00 p.m. ~ Matt Howlett's Bible study at the church

Nov. 22: Thanksgiving Eve service at 7 p.m.  
Nov. 23: Thanksgiving Day - Church office will be closed  
Nov. 26: 9 a.m. Combined worship service - Praise Team

**Adopt a Christmas Food Basket Item.**

*We have collected our 500 cans of vegetables already! **We need 110 boxes of brownie/dessert mix yet.***

*Thanks everyone for your support of the food baskets so far. We have 2 weeks to finish collecting the brownie mix.*



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It's that time of the year when we make an extra effort to show our post-high school students that we are thinking of them and praying for them as they study for their semester tests. The Congregational Care Committee is planning on sending 'care' packages to all our post-high school students before semester tests in December. Please consider supporting our

college kids with this project.

Parents: Please let us know your child's address, even if it's the same, and please let us know if you have a student to add or remove from our list. You can leave this info in the office, e-mail Patty VerSteege at pattyversteeg@hotmail.com or call Patty at 933-0082. Thank you!

*We are asking for individual food/treat donations to send in these packages, or you can leave a cash donation. All food or cash donations can be put in the Care Package basket in the lobby. Please have these to the church by **Tuesday, Nov. 28.***

We plan to put together and send the packages during that week. We can use help with the packing. Please join us. It's a lot of fun! A "packing" date will be put in the bulletin as we get closer. Thanks!

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*Words can't express my gratitude to this wonderful church family for all the prayers and concerns for me and my children through a most difficult time. Thank you so much, Loris Doorn & family*

*Former member Minnie Bosch has moved. Her address is  
301 Country Rd. #108  
Hills, MN 56138 phone # is 507-920-8063 (new #)*

## **"What to Say to a Veteran"**



*Thank you for stepping forward when others step back.*

*Thank you for placing yourself between us and danger.*

*Thank you for delaying plans for college, marriage, and other opportunities and choosing to serve.*

*Thank you for braving the unspeakable horrors of war.*

*Thank you for sacrificing time with your families and missing those significant milestones the rest of us take for granted.*

*Thank you to your spouses who find themselves living nomadic lives, often far away from the support of loves ones.*

*Thank you to your children who accept your absence as a way of life and understand they share you with a nation and sometimes the world.*

*Thank you to your parents who have nothing but prayers to protect you and must now trust you will be safe and that we will off the best we have to you.*

*Thank you for continuing to support your country once you leave military serve by following new careers and becoming the teachers, clergy, business owners, employees, pilots, civil servants and so much more that we need to be successful society.*

*Thank you for involving yourself in your local community, your state and your country, helping us to solve problems and to create a vision for our future using the skills you learned during your tour of duty.*

*Thank you for being a conscience to our nation.*

*Thank you for serving as a heroic example of who we are and what we can dream to be.*

*Thank you for your service.*

*Please, let us never forget that freedom comes at a price.*

*Written by Cathy Maxwell, writer for USA Today & New York Times bestselling author of more than thirty historical romances.*



**Saturday,  
Dec. 2nd**

**in fellowship hall**



We're trying something different since we are unable to have the Soup Supper because of the kitchen remodel.

The women of the church will take orders for chicken, chili and vegetable soup. They will make it in small, medium, or large containers for you to pick up on Saturday, the 2nd, and **take it home.**

**WE WILL NOT BE SERVING SOUP AT THIS TIME!**

*(If you are making soup, please have it to the church by Friday, Dec. 1st or early Saturday morning, the 2nd.)*

If you would like to buy soup, please sign up on the bulletin board for kind & quantity. Donations will be taken for RCW missions and future kitchen needs.



**Saturday,  
December 2nd  
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
in fellowship hall**

**CALLING ALL CRAFTERS & BAKERS!**  
Needed - any crafts or baked goods that you can donate for the RCW craft/bake sale!

**PLEASE** have donations to the church by early Saturday morning, Dec. 2nd.