

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

8:50 a.m.

May 29, 2016

*Welcome members, friends and visitors to our service this morning. We would ask you all to complete the friendship pad located in your pew. Thank you for your help. Welcome Packets for our visitors and guests are available at the Visitor Center.*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING ANTHEM Chancel Choir  
*"A Tribute to The Armed Services"*

WELCOME

PRELUDE Bober  
*"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: As we gather to worship, let us celebrate.

**People: For the Lord's mercies are new every morning.**

Leader: As we gather to worship, let us rejoice.

**People: For the risen Christ is alive and meets us here.**

Leader: As we gather to worship, let's open our hearts.

**People: For the Spirit of God has come to change them.**

***All: Let us worship God.***

\* HYMN 469

*"Morning Has Broken"*

\* OPENING PRAYER

**God almighty, we gather in this place of worship astounded by your majesty, the vastness of your creation and the endless expanse of your love. We are humbled to lift up our frail human praise to you, eternal God. But as we seek to worship, we are ever aware of our many sins, both large and small, and the countless other burdens of our souls. Grant us the faith to be healed, to experience abundant life, and to**

**bear the Good News of the Incarnate Christ to a waiting world. In his name we pray, Amen.**

\* GLORIA PATRI

CHILDREN'S TIME

Roger Lahm

HYMN 338 (vs 1 & 4)

*"Kum ba Yah"*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 2:1-11  
(Page 951 in the Pew Bibles)

ANTHEM Pressley Cochran-Bray & Liz Steiner  
*"Oceans"*

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 7:1-10  
(Page 838 in the Pew Bibles)

SERMON Michael Gewecke  
**#Humbrag Meets Jesus**

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH —*An anonymous Zimbabwean pastor*

**I am a disciple of Christ. I will not let up, look back or slow down. My past is redeemed, my future is secure. I am done with low living, small planning, smooth knees, mundane talking, chintzy giving and dwarfed goals. I no longer need pre-eminence, prosperity, position, promotion or popularity. I don't have to be right, first, tops, recognized, praised or rewarded. My face is set; my goal is sure. My road is narrow; my way is rough, my companions few. My God is reliable; my mission is clear. I cannot be bought, compromised, detoured, delayed or deluded. I will not flinch in the face of adversity, not negotiate at the table of the enemy, or meander in the maze of mediocrity.**

**I am a disciple of Christ. I must go until he comes, speak of all I know of him and work until he stops**

**me. And when he comes for his own, by the grace of God, he will have no problem recognizing me, because my colors are clear.**

OFFERING

Offertory

Labenske

*"This Is My Father's World"*

\* Doxology

\* Prayer of Dedication

\* HYMN 482

*"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"*

\* BENEDICTION

*"Go Now In Peace"*

POSTLUDE

*"Forever"*

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\* **Those who are able** are invited to stand.

***Nursery Available for Pre-K and under***

- **Large print "BULLETINS AND HYMNALS" are available from an Usher-**
- ***Busy Bags available in the Narthex***
- ***Coffee is served immediately following the Worship Service in Fellowship Hall.***

**Participating in this morning's Reformed service are:** Michael Gewecke, Pastors; Norlan Top, Liturgist; Rachelle Gewecke, Pianist; Ushers are Dennis & Joyce Colton and Dave & Nancy Dau; Greeters are Phyllis Walburg & Bernice Steele; Jackie Jenkins, Mike Reekers, Pat Butler & Roger Rieck, Sound; Keith Brockmeyer, Video; Laurie Steinkuehler & Ruth Ann Kelly are in charge of the Nursery; Dan & Peg VanBeek prepared our coffee.



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## Thank You

Thank you so much for thinking of me while I was in the hospital and after I got home. Thank you for the prayers, cards, calls, and the food.

I am so blessed to have my church family.

God bless all of you,

Joan Baird

## Children's Church

Pre-K-4th Grades are invited to attend Children's Church during the Reformed Worship Service at 8:50am in June. After Children's Time, the kids will follow the adult and youth leaders to the Education wing for a time of Bible lessons, music, craft and games. Once worship is over, they will enjoy snack time while the adults are having their coffee and fellowship time. During the summer months, there will not be regular Children's Church School following Worship. Classes will resume in the Fall.

## Updated Directory Page Available

We have compiled pictures and information of our new members since our last directory, and they are in a stand in the library window available to pick up.

## Pictures of Dad

On Sunday, June 19th we will be honoring all dads on Father's Day. Please bring us or email us your favorite picture of "Dad" to be presented in a slide show presentation on Father's Day.

## Youth Summer Events Calendar Released

Our youth summer events calendar has been released! Make sure to grab a copy of the calendar from the table in the narthex or look for a copy in your email which details all of the different events from Dairy Queen to Valley Fair. Regardless of your student's interest, there is something fun to do with your church family this summer!

## Name Tag Boards

Due to continued low usage of the pin-on name tags, the Membership committee will no longer maintain them. If you wish to continue to use your name tag, please pick it up by June 5<sup>th</sup> and be responsible for its storage during the week. Peel-and-stick name tags will still be available at the Visitor Center in the Library window. Thank you for your cooperation.

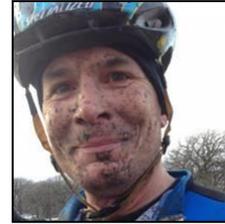
## Men & Women's Bible Study ~Taking the Summer Off

For the men and women who attend the bible studies on Tuesday & Thursday, it has been decided they are taking the summer off. See you next fall.

## Our Daily Bread Devotionals

The June, July, August Our Daily Bread devotionals are here. You may pick up your devotional from the library window or the table by the office door.

Pastor Clint will be riding the **Okoboji 200** again this year to raise money for sex trafficking relief in Iowa and Nepal. This is a bigger



problem in our state than anyone would want to admit and is an accepted but horrible reality in many parts of the world. Any donation is appreciated and can be made online at [https://www.crowdrise.com/clint-loveall---ok2002016/fundraiser/\\_clintloveall](https://www.crowdrise.com/clint-loveall---ok2002016/fundraiser/_clintloveall) Your support and encouragement is appreciated, and please pray for tailwinds on June 24<sup>th</sup>! If you would be willing to house one or more of these riders, please call the church office.

## Dear Friends of Len and Judy Phelps,

I am writing to ask a favor of each of you who remember them. This August my parents will be celebrating 50 years of marriage! It is a milestone and mark of God's grace on their lives. If you would like to, could you send a card of congratulations to them **by way of me**. (Dan) I will collect all the cards and well wishes from you and send them off to them as a 'surprise.' Maybe you could include some 'memories' of how you met my parents. I know your cards and memories will mean so much to them.

I need to have the cards by **June 12**. Please send to:

Leonard and Judy Phelps

c/o Daniel Phelps

2008 West Clayton Ave.

Artesia, NM 88210

## Upcoming Events

### Sunday, May 29

8:15am-Prayer in the Chapel  
8:50am-Reformed Service  
10am-Coffee and fellowship  
11:15am-Reforming (2<sup>nd</sup>) Service  
2pm-HS Act II  
2pm Worship Service at Hawkeye

### Monday, May 30

#### **Office Closed**

9am-No PW Sewing

### Wednesday, June 1

6pm-Women's Bible Study  
6:30pm-Building & Grds Mtg  
7pm-2<sup>nd</sup> Service Rehearsal

### Thursday, June 2

8pm-HS Video Game Night at Geweckes

### Sunday, June 5

8:15am-Prayer in the Chapel  
8:50am-Reformed (1<sup>st</sup>) Service  
10am-Coffee and fellowship  
11:15am-Reforming (2<sup>nd</sup>) Service  
2pm- HS Act II

**Rides to and from church for this week is** Jay Anderson ~ 339-5878,  
next week is Marcia Eckerman ~ 336-5429.

**Hospital Deacon:** Jay Anderson

#### **Week of June 5**

#### **Reformed (1<sup>st</sup>) Service**

**Liturgist:** John Knabe

**Ushers:** Roger & Karen Lahm, Marcia Eckerman & Gene Ringsdorf

**Greeters:** Kieth Tadlock &  
Bob Peterson

**Video:** Owen Primavera

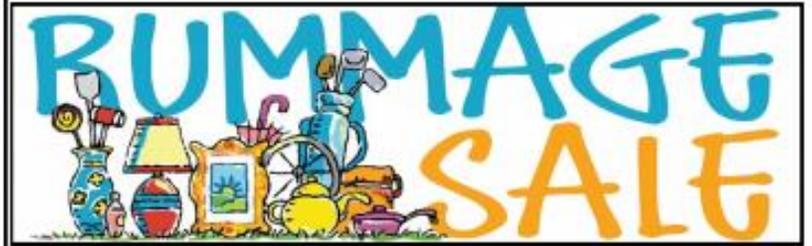
**Nursery:** Amy Webber &  
Lisa Kraus

**Coffee:** Jerry & Dorothy Ingvall

#### **Reforming (2<sup>nd</sup>) Service**

**Greeter/Usher:**

**Nursery:** Teresa Beck



The Presbyterian Women will be holding a "Rummage & Bake Sale" on Friday, June 24th from 4-7pm and Saturday, June 25th from 8am to noon. NO EARLY SALES. All proceeds will go to local charities.

Please sign up for...

- **Donating baked goods**
- **Work during the sale** (either June 24 or June 25)
- **Help with set up** (on June 23rd from 9am until done, and on Friday to finish set up from 9am-4pm.
- **Help with tear down** (on Saturday at noon, some men needed)

Baked goods may be dropped off on Thursday or Friday at any time or Saturday morning by 8am. Donated items may be brought to the adult education classrooms beginning Tuesday, June 21st between 9am-4pm through Friday noon, June 24th. Miscellaneous and household items will be accepted. All items may be gently used but clean.

Please no clothing, large appliances or outdated electronics.

Any questions call 336-1649 or 330-6668.

**Each week we remember First Pres families in prayer, this week  
please pray for**

*Tom & Sherry Fuhrman*  
15891 231<sup>st</sup> Ave., Spirit Lake  
*Dave Rowlands*  
1610 Twin St., Apt 12, Rock Valley

**Please pray for our members and friends** of this church family who are facing various health concerns: Maddie DeWitt, Chris Koehler, Nicole Hintz, Ethan Burk, Jody Ferguson, Shane Feist, Grant Vietor, Jim & Judy Arens, Mary Smith, Anita Stockdale, Jamie Nebelsick, Jose Reedy, Barb Hanisch, Jay Anderson, Kay Monson, Marv & Barb Rohlf, Pat Dalton, Donna VanHolland, Connie Hoppe, Tom Gruber, Lori Johnson, Mitchell Elmquist, Talia Patton, Connor Rowley, Betty Lamer, Mark Voss, Andrew Grau, Audrey Wiersma, Gene Krueger, Dave Dreeszen, Aliyah Brittain, Pat Kelly, Tammy (Bartels) Martin, Judy Stueven, Bennett Stecker, Kenny Beck, Velma Ashburn, Clyde Gerth, Eric Avery, Mike Wiley, Marj Roseberry, Dean Poyzer, Lon Noble, Tom Gruber, Laureen Andersen, Lee Struthers

**Please pray for our members and friends** who serve in the Armed Forces: Staff SGT **Jamie Lewis**, 1<sup>st</sup> LT **Whitney Lewis**, 7017 Arnold Ave., Unit A, JBER, AK 99506; SSG **Frederick, Jesse**, 975 Culverson Ct., Clarksville, TN 37040; **Billy Joe Travis**, Sioux City Navy Recruiting Office, Sioux City, IA; **Ryan Mackey**, 829<sup>th</sup> EN CO, 519<sup>th</sup> MP BN, APO AE 09342, **Kyle Klaassen**, PFC; **Colton Petersen**, 2d LT **James Fliss**, 821 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Unit 8100, Sheppard AFB, TX 76311

**Missionaries**

*Greg and Joni Gainer*  
1315 Union St.  
Boone, IA 50036

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Greg is the Campus Staff Missionary with China Outreach Ministries. In 2002, the Lord called Greg and Joni to bring the Gospel to the more than 1,800 Chinese students at Iowa State University. Greg has developed a partnership with a small Chinese church in Ames and the new Chinese campus fellowship group at ISU. He continues to hold English classes, pick up students from the airport, hold Bible studies, and numerous one-on-one gospel conversations. Greg and Joni have 7 children. First Presbyterian Church has supported Greg and Joni since 1995.

*Gospel for Asia:*

2.7 Billion people on earth today have never heard the name of Jesus Christ, living enslaved to idols that have no power to give them peace. 97% of the unreached live in the 10/40 window of South Asia. Why reach out? Because God reached out to us. As a family of believers we are called to participate in God's work of redemption. Jesus commands His followers to make disciples of all nations.

Thousands of national missionaries are committed to reaching their own people, no matter the cost. They have an enormous advantage over their coworkers from North America and other non-Asian lands. In the eyes of the people, national missionaries do not represent a foreign country or a strange religion. They already know the language and live in the communities they serve.