

3rd Sunday After Epiphany

8:50 a.m. January 21, 2018

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

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"Holy Ground w/Holy, Holy, Holy"

CALL TO WORSHIP ~written by Thom Shuman

Leader: Day by day, God leads us:

**People: to the deep, deep pools of peace,
to the green, lush lawns of grace.**

Leader: Day by day, Jesus calls us:

**People: to pour out ourselves in service,
to anoint the stranger with hope.**

Leader: Day by day, the Holy Spirit shows us:

**People: the community we could be,
the family we are called to become.**

* HYMN 275

"God of Our Life"

* OPENING PRAYER

**God of power and might,
you sent prophets to your people,
calling us back to your covenant,
and teaching us your ways.**

**In the fullness of time,
you sent us your Son Jesus,
teaching with such authority,
that our eyes were opened
to see your ways anew.**

**Open our hearts and minds,
that we may understand
and proclaim your teachings**

for all to hear.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

* GLORIA PATRI 579

CHILDREN'S TIME

Ellen Williams

HYMN 301

"Lord Jesus, Think on Me"

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 62:5-12

(Page 462-463 in the Pew Bibles)

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

"Songs For The Journey"

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:25-37

(Page 843 in the Pew Bibles)

SERMON

Clint Loveall

What kind of neighbor are you?

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH ~Creed of the United Church of Canada

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God, who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus to reconcile and to make all things new. We trust in God, who calls us to be the church; to celebrate his presence, to live with respect in creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and to resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory

7th Grade Handbell Choir

"Celebration in G"

* Doxology 592

* Prayer of Dedication

* HYMN 332

"Live Into Hope"

* BENEDICTION

Back cover of Hymnal
"Go Now In Peace"

POSTLUDE

* **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: Clint Loveall & Michael Gewecke, Pastors; Dennis Colton, Liturgist; Arla Stover, Pianist; Carol Ayres Stueven, Chancel Choir Director; Lincoln Larsen, 7th Grade Handbell Choir Director; Ushers are Edna VanderWolde, Jan Bowles, Leo Kofoot & Bob Peterson; Greeters are Jim & Jen Watts; Jackie Jenkins, Mike Reekers, & Tom Ditsworth, Sound; Milt Nolting, Video; Laurie Steinkuehler, Nursery; Steve & Jan Richards prepared our coffee.

7th Grade Handbell Choir: Brenna Bengel, Caden Hassel, Katelyn Krieger, Mya Miller, Tommy Profit, Cale Quiring, Wesley Radcliffe, Avery Smith, Katherine Webber, Dani Winkel



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Thank You

Thank you to my church family for your prayers and phone calls as I have been recuperating at home from my surgery. And I loved receiving flowers! Thanks so much for caring. I'm sure my recovery was much faster with all of you reporting for duty.

Marilyn Miller



Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 21st, immediately following our Reformed Service. All members are encouraged to attend.



Wednesday, January 24th

Meal: Tater Tot Casserole

Meal Crew: Jan Bowles

Meal Crew Helpers Needed!!

Adult Ed Classes:

- Romans — Women's Bible Study led by Rachelle Gewecke
- Explore the New Testament with the Great Courses
- Martin Luther—The man who changed the church—led by Pastor Clint, Begins Jan 17

Recharge Craft Items Needed: Clear glassware needed for Recharge crafts. Containers should be at least 4 inches deep, but deeper is better! Mouth should be at least 6 inches wide, but wider is better! These will be used to make terrariums with succulent plants. Need at least 7 containers by January 24.

Rides to Church

The Deacons are willing to provide rides for anyone who needs rides, especially this winter. Contact the church for rides and they will get ahold of the Deacons.

SS "Snack Providers and Servers"

A sign-up sheet and **PEANUT/NUT-FREE SNACK LIST** is placed in the library window or you may sign up online. **Please take a snack list and sign up for your favorite date!!** 5 dozen snacks and 2 large juice (not red please) are needed for Sunday School. *If you leave the worship service during the last hymn, you have time to prepare your snacks for serving.* This week the Sunday School snacks are provided by Rhonda Reekers. **Sunday School snack providers are needed!**

Adult Ed: – **Martin Luther:** The man who changed the church - led by Pastor Clint, Begins Jan 21st



In February our church will deliver meals to community shut-ins. Delivering Meals-On-Wheels takes about 30-45 minutes.

You may sign up for any amount of days. Maybe you prefer one day a week, for instance every Monday, or every day for a week or different days during the month.

Substitutes are available so don't let the fact that you are going to be gone one time stop you from signing up. You pick up the meals at the hospital kitchen at 11:00am. This usually is done with a partner to make the job fun and faster. Meals are delivered every day of the week except Sunday.

Delivering Meals-On-Wheels to our community shut-ins is a rewarding experience and you will be glad you took part in it.

A calendar is located on an easel in the Narthex for you to sign up on, please include your cell phone number. If you have any questions, please contact Milt Nolting at 336-4336.

Looking For the PW Sewing Ladies Sewing Machine

Our PW Sewing ladies are searching for one of their sewing machines that has been borrowed without being checked out at the church office. Please contact the church if you know of the location of the sewing machine.

2nd Service Ushers/Greeters Needed

We are in need of Ushers/Greeters for our 2nd Service. Responsibilities include distributing bulletins and greeting worshippers at the center sanctuary doors as well as taking a head count of worshippers (including praise and worship team and those in the nursery). A sign-up sheet is located in the narthex. Sign up for one week or whatever works with your schedule.

Attention Sewers

The children's and lap quilts are now in the fellowship hall and ready for completion. Please take them home and complete one or as many as you like. These quilts have been given in the past to CAASA, Dickinson County Public Health for the "New Moms" program, Lakes Regional Healthcare for the new babies, Gentiva Hospice and Hilltop Care Center. Please help with this project which provides warmth to many members of our community and beyond.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, Jan 29, 1-6pm

Grace Lutheran Church, Spirit Lake

Wed, Jan 31, 1-6pm

Milford Community Center

Call 800.733.2767 for an appointment.

Souper Bowl Luncheon

Sunday, February 4th

First Presbyterian Church of Lake Park

11:30 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.



TWO kinds of soup,
Bread & Crackers
Coffee/Water/Milk



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- PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE GENERAL FUND -

Rides to and from church for this week is Vernice Wahl ~ 858-4568 , next week is Jen Watts ~ 330-7030.

Hospital Deacon: Vernice Wahl

Week of January 28th

Reformed Worship Service

Liturgist: Pam DenHerder

Ushers: Edna VanderWolde, Jan Bowles, Leo Kofoot & Bob Peterson

Greeters: Jim & Jen Watts

Nursery: Grace Radcliffe

Video: Keith Brockmeyer

Coffee: Tom & Deb Ditsworth

Reforming Worship Service

Greeter/Usher: Darlene Sheldon

Nursery: Natasha Nelson

Power Point & Sound: Tillotson family

Upcoming Events

Sunday, January 21

8:15am-Prayer in the Chapel
8:50am-Reformed Worship Service
10am-Annual Congregational Meeting
10:15am-Sunday School
10:15am-Confirmation
10:30am-Adult Ed Classes
11:15am-Reforming Worship Service

Monday, January 22

9am-PW Sewing

Tuesday, January 23

1:30pm-Tues Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, January 24

4:45pm-Weekly Prayer

5:30pm-Recharge Meal

6:45pm-High School Youth Group

7pm-Adult Handbell rehearsal

8pm- Chancel Choir rehearsal

Thursday, January 25

9am- Men's Bible Study

11:20am-ACT II at the High School Office

Sunday, January 28

8:15am-Prayer in the Chapel

8:50am-Reformed Worship Service

10am-Coffee and fellowship

10:15am-Sunday School

10:15am-Confirmation

10:30am-Ault Ed Classes

11:15am-Reforming Worship Service

NO APOLOGIES

Encouraging Youth to Choose Purity

#thestrugglesreal



JON PAUSLEY
Speaker



JOSHUA JORDAN
Illusionist & Comedian

JANUARY 31, 2018

CLAY COUNTY EVENTS CENTER
WEDNESDAY NIGHT | 6:30-8:15pm
DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM

PARENT & YOUTH WORKER TRAINING
Michael Gewecke - "Next-Gen Purity" | 6:30-7:30pm

TEENS for 6th to 12th grade students
Jon Pausley - "Purity: #TheStrugglesReal"



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& DOOR PRIZES!**

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- Spencer Location Admission -

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

Ray & Marilyn Miller
112 21st St., #7, Spirit Lake
Harley & Cindy Broek
PO Box 408, Spirit Lake

Please pray for our members and friends of this church family who are facing various health concerns: Maddie DeWitt, Chris Koehler, Jody Ferguson, Judy Arens, Mary Smith, Jamie Nebelsick, Barb Hanisch, Jay Anderson, Barb Rohlf, Pat Dalton, Lori Johnson, Pat Kelly, Kenny Beck, Mike Wiley, Marj Roseberry, Lee Struthers, Katy Kline, Karl Kiilsholm, Kathy Huitink, Denice (Wiersma), Hilary Vicker, Bart Duncan, Laurie Phillips, Cindy Phillips, John Mayne, Jennifer Ryker, Travis Sweissburger, Feets Heitritter, Audrey Wiersma, Ivan Kleeve, Nan Woods, Paul Sharnburg, Jen Watts niece, Ellie, Karen Clark, Linnea Lambert, Kelly Swancutt, Steve Kwikkel, Pauly Eaton's granddaughter Abby, Russ Thomson, student in Spencer, Pauly Eaton, Lawrence Lupkes, Rod Johnson, Dave Bartels, Laura Fagen's Mom, Pat, Tomy Norman, Kristen Kuiper, Kolby, Betty VanderZwaag, Gary Eaton, Margaret Plunkett, Mike May, Jr., Heath Huberg, John Williams daughter, Joan Baird, Ruth Nolting, Kevin Gremms mother, Vicki, Jared Lewis, Charlene Radcliffe

- Please pray for our members and friends who serve in the Armed Forces: Staff SGT **Jamie Lewis**, 1st LT **Whitney Lewis**, 7017 Arnold Ave., Unit A, JBER, AK 99506; SFC **Frederick, Jesse**, 975 Culverson Ct., Clarksville, TN 37040; 1st Class PO **Billy Joe Travis**, 8583 Aero Drive, Apt 2043, San Diego, CA 92123; PFC; **Colton Petersen**, 1st LT **James Fliss**, 121 Fallin Blvd., Goldsboro, NC 27534, **CPL Kenten Murray**, MSG Detachment, Unit 6010, Box 10, DPO AB 09825-6010

- **Missionaries**

Spenser's Underground Teen Ministries
1801 Hill Ave.
Spirit Lake, IA 51360

Spenser's Underground is a place where at-risk teens come there to hang out, share meals, play games, join in a Christian-focused activities and talk with caring adult mentors. It's a non-denominational, non-profit organization and it is open to the public on Tuesday from 6 - 8:30 pm and Saturday 7-11pm.

Spenser's Underground opened its doors in the Spirit Lake Carnegie Library June of 2007. It began when Steve and Sandy Baskerville made the decision to honor their son Spenser, who passed away in Nov. of 2006. Spenser was an outgoing person who did not let his affliction with severe rheumatoid arthritis dampen his spirit in the least. He was always willing to talk to anyone about anything, and he had an excellent ability to share his faith in Jesus, his Savior, with ease. A teen centered ministry seemed to be a great venue as a memorial to Spenser.

The ministry's greatest needs include funds to purchase food for meals, materials and manpower for building improvements including the new East entrance, and volunteers.

Their goal is to shine the light of Christ's love into the lives of every teen that comes into contact with our organization. Our guiding verse is John 8:12...When Jesus spoke again to the people, He said,

*"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows
me will never walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life."*

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The Siouxland Tanzania Educational Medical Ministries is an interdenominational Christian ministry created in 1997 to develop a relational bridge between Siouxland and Tanzania by addressing the priorities of spiritual growth, medical care and educational opportunity. Rich Hildebrand, Milford, has been actively involved with this ministry doing mission work in Tanzania. Their mission is "Changing lives for Christ through Compassionate Care."