

AMERICAN REFORMED CHURCH WORSHIP

March 10, 2019 ~ 9:30AM

First Sunday in Lent

Liturgical Color: Purple

INVOCATION

L: Let us worship God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ.

P: We are new creations; the old has gone, the new has come!

L: Let us worship God as Christ's ambassadors.

P: Through us and through our worship may we announce the good news to all.

L: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

P: Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!

PRAISE AND PRAYERS

PLEASE BE IN PRAYER FOR THE FOLLOWING:

-Ongoing prayer concerns: Janet De Groot, Mina Kooiker, Arnold Nielsen, Perry Raman, Mading Thok, Jodi Van Leeuwen, Bert Vander Plaats, Kids' Club, those without Christ, our students, our men & women in the armed services, our country, people with milestones this week.

-Weekly prayers for church families: Loreen & Bryce Marra and Lori Horstman

-Our missionaries: The Gideons.

-ARC's extended family involved in Ministry Leadership positions: Eric Schafer. Eric works with the youth at ARC.

-Church members with special needs this week: Prayers for Jo Boon, Chandler Brunsting, Barb Draayer, Lindsey Mesman and Jeremy Van Roekel.

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING:

-Aalijah Moss met with the Elders and confessed his faith in Jesus Christ. It is our privilege to hear Aalijah make his profession publically during our worship this morning.

-Thank you to the Aftershock, Jr. High ARCYF and the sponsors for the delicious meal that was served following the service last Sunday and to the congregation for supporting the youth fund-raising dinner.

TODAY AT AMERICAN

GREETING THIS MORNING are Mark Kreun family (South) and Mark & Debbie Hooyer (North)

USHERS THIS MORNING are Dean Hoogeveen, Craig Moss.

NURSERY SCHEDULE: Today-Hayley Moss, Elise Visscher, Taiten Den Besten; Next week-Jeanne Breuer, Dylan Hatting, Ashtyn Kelderman; March 24-Cheri Brunsting, Emma Franken, Kiley Van Zanten

PROJECTION: Today-Marcus Kelderman; Next week-Reid Van Voorst; March 24-Dayton Brunsting

VIDEO: Today-Riley Wallenburg; Next week-Brian Sipma; March 24-Reid Van Voorst

THIS MORNING the Sonshine Choir (3 & 4 yr old through 3rd grade) will be singing for our Ministry of Music. Please have your child brought to the basement when you arrive so the children can walk in together.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN will be collecting quarters during the offering this morning for the Milk Project.

INTERGENERATIONAL Sunday School classes (grades 9-adult) meet today. Join us for a video series, "Unlocking the Mysteries of Genesis" with discussion led by Ken Evertse in the Youth Room. The Bible Study of I & II Thessalonians led by Pastor Steve will meet in the Fireside Room. No advance preparation is necessary. Hope to see you there!

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH in the ARK Room South is set up and open for prayer from 8:40 to 9:20 every Sunday morning.

NAME TAGS are available at the mailboxes. Please wear one. We have visitors & members who don't know you and would like to greet you by name.

HYMN BOOKS AND BIBLES are available above the East coat rack for those who want them.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meeting tonight at 8:00pm. The fourth Sunday of every month is an open meeting with a speaker.

PASTOR STEVE WILL greet you at the North door after worship this morning and will be joined by Galen Breuer at the West door and Rob Van't Land at the South door.

THIS WEEK AT AMERICAN

SUNDAY: --Alcoholics Anonymous ~ 8:00pm

MONDAY:--There WILL NOT be Caring Quilt Group~See You Next Week!

--Prayer for Crops & Industry ~ 6:00am in Fireside Room

TUESDAY:--Kids' Club 3:40-5:30pm

--Faith Circle ~ 2:00pm at Aspen Heights.

--Christian Education Committee ~ 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY:--7:00pm-8:00pm-ARK (1st-3rd); Living Inside Out (4th-6th); Catechism (7th) Light Raiders (8th); Aftershock

THURSDAY: --Kids' Club 3:40-5:30pm

BIRTHDAYS FOR THIS WEEK: HAPPY BIRTHDAY to: Kevin Boote Today; Sherri Schwebach, Cameron Veltkamp on Monday; Rick Tiedeman on Tuesday; Katelyn Bouma, Shirley Wallinga, Gayle Vander Plaats on Thursday; Carter Wallenburg on Friday; Tory Van Voorst on Saturday!

ARC is now on TV! Our recorded service will be broadcast Monday nights at 7:00 on Hull cable channel 12.

PRAYER FOR CROPS & INDUSTRY: This Monday, March 11 - Join us before work at 6:00am in the Fireside Room for a time of prayer for crops & industry. We will finish by 6:30am. The coffee bar will be open and donuts will be served. If we need to use a larger room, we will. The office door will be open by 5:45am.

FAITH CIRCLE will meet on Tuesday, March 12, at 2:00pm at Aspen Heights. We will study the life and times of Naomi and Ruth.

AFTERSHOCK is seeking adult sponsors to go on the Tennessee Mission trip, leaving Friday June 21 and getting back Sunday June 30. Contact Eric Schafer for details. Sign up deadline is April 14.

MAKE YOUR OWN GREETING CARDS! Brought to you by the Fun & Fellowship Committee! Make a set of 20 greeting cards of a variety of types on Saturday, April 6 at 8:00am (until whenever we finish) in the fellowship hall at ARC. No experience required. Cost is \$30 which will cover all materials needed. Please bring a ruler, scissors, paper trimmer (if you have one), a small box or tray to corral your little card bits. Sign-up at the information booth. This event can accommodate 25 people. Please contact Julie Visscher with questions: 470-6814.

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF ARC, we have all benefited from each other's caring service! You have the opportunity to change/update your preferences as to when and how you would prefer to serve. **All men, women and junior/senior high school students of ARC are included.** Check your mailbox for details and a form for you to indicate the teams on which you are willing to serve for the next year (5/1/19 - 5/1/20). Please return forms to the designated box at the Information Booth by April 7. Also, if you are interested in helping out with nursery, children's message, ushering, etc. please make a note of what you are willing to help out with on your form. Thanks!

2019 INSPIRATION HILLS CAMP brochures are available by the Information Booth and also at www.inspirationhills.org ARC will pay the fees for students in fifth going into sixth grade to attend camp at Inspiration Hills. Also, we will pay half the fees for any other students wishing to go. If finances are a concern for you sending your student to camp, contact Pastor Steve or one of the Deacons.

WE WELCOME YOUR SUGGESTIONS! Do you have an idea for some aspects of American Reformed Church? You can write it in the Suggestion Box at the Info Booth. This month we are especially looking for suggestions about **mission projects**, but all ideas are welcome. We can't promise we will act on all of them, but all will be considered. Thanks for your help!

UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE CHOIR is coming to ARC to perform a concert on Monday, May 20. They are in need of 17 families to each host 2 students. A sign up sheet is on the information booth. Please prayerfully consider hosting a couple of students! Contact Debbie Hooyer with any questions - 441-5151.

FUTURE EVENTS AT AMERICAN

JR HIGH ARCYF will be meeting next Sunday from 6:30-7:30pm in the Youth Room.

NEXT SUNDAY, March 17, Inspiration Hills will share with us for our Minute for Missions.

THE SHARE group for widows and widowers will meet on Thursday, March 21st at 6pm at Homestead Commons in Hull. We will enjoy a baked potato bar for supper. Following our meal, we will play table games together. You are asked to bring \$5 to help cover expenses. Please call Deanna Tiedeman (712-439-2229) or Pastor Aaron Deutsch (605-742-4469) with any questions.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

THE ELDER OF THE MONTH for March is Galen Breuer.

OUR MISSION OF THE MONTH for March is the Gideons. You may give designated gifts for this ministry at any time during the month.

TO SCHEDULE appointments with Pastor Steve, call 439-1719.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS need to be turned in to the church office by 3:30pm. on Thursdays.

CONSISTORY: Pastor Steve Bierly - President

ELDERS: Galen Breuer, Daryl De Groot, Mike Mesman, Kevin Roozing (Clerk), Rob Van't Land (Vice President), Jim Vierhout

DEACONS: Tim Brunsting, Mark Hooyer (Chair of Deacons), Nathan Schafer, Rick Tiedeman, Jeff Verhoef, Todd Woelber

TREASURER: Denny Kelderman

COMMITTEES & CHAIRPERSONS:

Worship & Music - Pastor Steve Bierly

Christian Education - Todd Visscher

Mission & Evangelism - Mike Mesman

Kids' Club - Ruth Moss, Julie Kreun (Co-Directors)

YOUTH WORKER: Eric Schafer: 348-6089

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