

Trinity Christian Reformed Church

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OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

Welcome to all who have joined us for worship today. As we celebrate the rediscovery of God's word that set off a reformation in Europe may God's word transform our lives also. All are invited to the fellowship hall for refreshments after worship this morning.

We look forward to celebrating the Lord's Supper this morning. All who are trusting in Christ as Savior and have taken a stand for Him are encouraged to join us as we share the bread and the cup in remembrance of His death for us.

This morning we welcome Karin Van Meter as a member of Trinity Church. Please welcome Karin as she joins us in worshipping God and serving Him here.

Adult Sunday School Classes:

- **Forgiveness (Room 9):** Learning to forgive leads us down the path of healing, but it is not always easy. In this class, we will read and discuss Lewis B. Smedes' book: *The Art of Forgiving: When You Need to Forgive and Don't Know How*. Nancy Berns will facilitate this class.
- **Genesis (Room 8):** Genesis is the book of beginnings: the beginning of the world, the beginning of the human family, the beginning of sin and the beginning of grace. Pastor Tom will lead an inductive Bible study of this foundational book.
- **Religion and Science: Pathways to Truth (Room 7):** This class is based on a series of DVD presentations on topics such as: Truth in Science and Theology, God and Nature, Creation and Evolution, What Does it Mean to Be Human?, The God of Hope and the End of the World, Genetic Science and the Frontiers of Ethics, and Creation Care. Discussion presented by leading scholars including Francis Collins, David Wilkinson, N. T. Wright, Keith Ward, John Polkinghorne, and Nobel Laureates, William Phillips and Charles Townes. John Verkade will facilitate this class.

UPCOMING SERVICES

No Sunday evening Bible study in the fellowship hall this evening. Hope to see you all at Chuck and Kathy's.

Our Kick Off for Youth Program and Bonfire will be tonight at 5:00 p.m. at Chuck and Kathy Lee's Farm (30299 550th Ave., Huxley, IA). If you need a ride or would like to caravan please meet us at the church, 3626 Ontario St., Ames, at 4:30 p.m. Their will be fishing, volleyball and kickball. We will have a devotion/singing time around 6:00 p.m. followed by our campfire meal. **Please bring fishing poles and bait if you have them, roasting sticks and lawn chairs. Food and drink will be provided.**

Please welcome Rev. Carl Van Farowe as he brings the message next Sunday morning.

We look forward to the Praise Team leading worship next Sunday morning October 10th. Songs have been chosen from *Sing! a new creation* and *Contemporary Worship*. All singers and musicians are invited for practice on Wednesday, October 6th, at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Pam Voss.

We look forward to the baptism of Brooklyn Judith, daughter of Troy and Valerie Shoen, on October 17th.

Please reserve Sunday evening, October 31st, for a congregational potluck and "sanctuary, relocation." We will begin at 5:30 with a potluck supper in the fellowship hall, followed by an informational meeting about the renovation, and transferring the Bibles and songbooks into the Fellowship hall.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We extend our sympathy in Christ to Kelly Yoder's family in the death of Kelly's Aunt Barb this past Tuesday. We grieve the loss, and we give thanks for Barb's faith and for Christ's promise of resurrection.

We are happy to report that Donna Bergman is back home and recovering well from surgery. Please pray for a continued good recovery.

Carroll and Peggy Nikkel will be helping with reconstruction in the Cedar Rapids area October 6th through October 30th. Pray for good team work and progress in the rebuilding.

Prayer requests are being taken at sterenberg@opencominc.com. (Please include "Prayer requests" in the subject line). A box is also available at the back table in the church for those who do not have e-mail or wish to be anonymous. All prayer requests will be kept confidential. If you would like to be included as a prayer partner please contact Jane Sterenberg at the e-mail address above. This week general prayers are for Austin Shoen, Jonathan Niehof and Tom Oftedal.

COUNCIL NOTES

The current plan is to remove the old pews on November 5th and 6th. We will have a sign-up sheet for volunteers soon. If anyone knows of a possible home for the old pews please see Carroll Nikkel. Morning worship will be moved to the fellowship hall once the pews are out.

FEMA stopped by this week. If you know of anyone who needs a helping hand please see Pastor Tom for the info.

ISU spring break will be March 14th to 18th in 2011. We are looking forward to sponsoring a spring break service project again this year. Please let Pastor Tom know if you have a recommendation on where we go this year.

COMMITTEE NOTES

Would you like to help participate in our morning worship by giving a short children's message? Please sign up on the clipboard on the back table. Feel free to contact Sue Bokhoven (sbokhoven@hotmail.com) with any questions or ideas.

Training for Children and Worship Leaders will be offered October 8th and 9th in the Des Moines area. Please see the bulletin Board or contact Pam Voss, Beth Johnson, or Pastor Tom.

MISCELLANEOUS

On the information table are several new brochures from Aging Resources of Central Iowa. They contain much helpful information on resources that are available in this area.

The latest edition of our church directory is on the podium in the entry way. Please pick up a copy today. If there are errors or omissions please send the correct info to sterenberg@opencominc.com

YOU are needed ... to deliver Meals on Wheels! Trinity CRC "serves" in our community by delivering Meals on Wheels three Sundays a month, starting about 11:30 a.m. and taking around 45 minutes. Complete instructions are available - you need a vehicle - you meet a need and also receive a blessing as your faith becomes "action"! A "sign-up" paper is located on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board, just waiting for your signature! For further information contact Janet Bakker at 292-0980 or mjbakker@isunet.net . THANKS!

Thanks to Dean and Cathy Vande Griend for delivering Meals On Wheels today.

Choirs across town are practicing special music for the annual **Good Neighbor Emergency Assistance, Inc. Benefit Concert**. On Sunday, November 7th, over a dozen choirs and musical ensembles will participate in the concert at Bethesda Lutheran Church, 1517 Northwestern Avenue in Ames at 3:00 p.m. As in the past, each choir will present their selections and then join together as a mass choir for two final selections, directed by Gene LeVasseur, choir director at Bethesda. What a phenomenal opportunity to experience beautiful music and the "coming together" of faith groups for a common cause! A free will offering will be collected to benefit Good Neighbor. Please come, enjoy, and support the work of Good Neighbor!

Today's Activities

9:30 a.m.	Morning Worship
11:00 a.m.	Church School Classes
5:00 p.m.	Kickoff for Youth Program and Bonfire at Chuck & Kathy Lee's home

Greeters

This Week:	Nancy Klemme
Next Week:	Rod Klemme

Nursery Attendants

This Week:	AM	Val Shoen & Elizabeth Sterenberg
Next Week:	AM	Kathy Lee & Janey Boogerd