

WORSHIP SERVICE

October 26, 2025

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

* God's Greeting

* We Greet One Another

* Call to Worship (from Psalm 119:105-112)

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.

Your statutes are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart.

My heart is set on keeping your decrees to the very end.

Accept, Lord, the willing praise of my mouth, and teach me your laws.

* Opening Song: "Speak, O Lord"

Lift Up Your Hearts #755

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to receive the food of your holy Word.

Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness –
that the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of
faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility.

Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of your purity.

Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see your majestic love and authority.

Words of power that can never fail; let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of your plans for us.

Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity.

And by grace we'll stand on your promises, and by faith we'll walk as you walk with
us.

Speak, O Lord, till your church is built, and the earth is filled with your glory.

* Opening Prayer

* Song: "Ancient Words"

Lift Up Your Hearts #762

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world,

They resound with God's own heart, O let the ancient words impart.

Words of life, words of hope, Give us strength help us cope.

In this world where'er we roam. Ancient words will guide us home.

Ancient words ever true. Changing me changing you.

We have come with open hearts. O let the ancient words impart.

Holy words of our faith handed down to this age
Came to us through sacrifice. O heed the faithful words of Christ.
Holy words long preserved, for our walk in this world,
They resound with God's own heart. O let the ancient words impart.
Ancient words ever true. Changing me changing you.
We have come with open hearts. O let the ancient words impart.

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

What We Believe About The Bible (from *Our World Belongs to God*, article 32)

The Bible is the Word of God, the record and tool of his redeeming work.

It is the Word of truth, breath of God, fully reliable in leading us to know God and to walk with Jesus Christ in new life.

Prayer of Confession

Dear Father, in a world of confusing perspectives, we thank you for the truth and guidance we receive from your Word.

You give us many ways to know you: the creation shows your power and majesty;

You spoke through prophets, poets, and apostles, and most eloquently, through the Son;

Your Spirit moved human beings to write the Word, and opens our hearts to your voice.

*Forgive us for the times we neglect it, or let the voices of our world drown you out.
Amen.*

Words of Assurance (John 8:31-32; 2 Timothy 3:15-17)

“Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” “All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”

Song of Entrusting:

“Break Now the Bread of Life” verses 1,3,4

Lift Up Your Hearts #764

Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,
as once you broke the loaves beside the sea.
Beyond the sacred page I seek you, Lord;
my spirit waits for you, O living Word.

You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me;
your holy word the truth that rescues me.

Give me to eat and live with you above;
teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

O send your Spirit now, dear Lord, to me,
that he may touch my eyes and make me see.
Show me the truth made plain within your Word,
for in your book revealed I see you, Lord.

Children's Message
Congregational Prayer

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Psalm 18:30

As for God, his way is perfect:

The Lord's word is flawless; he shields all who take refuge in him.

Message: Relying on God's Guidance

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Application

* Song of Response: "Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak" *Lift Up Your Hearts* #754

Lord, speak to me that I may speak in living echoes of your tone.

As you have sought, so let me seek your erring children, lost and lone.

O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wandering and the wavering feet.

O feed me, Lord, that I may feed your hungering ones with manna sweet.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the precious truths which you impart.

And wing my words that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.

O fill me with your fullness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflows

in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

O use me, Lord, use even me, just as you will, and when, and where

until your blessed face I see, your rest, your joy, your glory share.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

* Blessing

* Closing Song: "May the Lord, Mighty God"

Lift Up Your Hearts #940

(To the tune of "Edelweiss")

May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever;

Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor

Lift up your eyes and see God's face, full of grace forever;

May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able.

Children's Message: Stacy Hertz

Message: Pastor Randy Raak

Musicians: Char Verkade, Derek Ten Pas, Elizabeth Hobson

TCRC ANNOUNCEMENTS

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. This is a great time to thank your pastors for their dedication to the church. A simple handwritten note or a thoughtful gesture can show them how much their work is valued. Please consider showing your appreciation with a donation in the collection or a personal gift. Please mark your gift with "pastor appreciation". On behalf of the Deacons, thank you!

The special offering this week will be for the TCRC Building Fund.

Adult Sunday School will meet in Room 8/9 at 10:50 AM. Rev. Tom Niehof will lead in a study of the Gospel of Mark, chapter 6:6-56. All are welcome.

Communion: We look forward to celebrating the Lord's Supper next Sunday morning (Nov 2). All who are trusting in Christ and have made a public stand for him are encouraged to join.

Daylight Savings Ends on Nov 2. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour (or you may be very early to church that day 😊)

Trunk or Treat will be Friday, Oct 24, 4:00-6:30pm. Share the event and invite anyone who may be interested! If you have not signed up to volunteer but would like to, a spot can be found for you.

The church will be host to one more wedding this month: De Penning wedding on Oct 25.

Ames Christian School is back at Trinity for the 2025-2026 school year. The school is here every day. They use the fellowship hall, kitchen, and classrooms. If you or your group use the church for anything, please remember to clean up everything after using the space.

If your group or committee has an announcement, please be sure to get an update to the church office by 10:30 am on Thursdays to be included in the announcements for the week. Thank you!

There is a printout of Birthdays, Greeters, Congregational Prayer, Nursery, and Children's message on the table outside the office. This has been updated for June.

The directory with the newest updates. is on the table outside the office. Please review your changes if you made any. If you have changes or need to add info, please do it on this sheet.

Small Groups, Committees, & Sunday School Updates

Sunday School Classes meet after fellowship time.

Children and Worship meets after the Children's Message.

Young Adult Ministry: This group will be meeting on Fridays and Sundays throughout the year. Get added to the GroupMe for details on events! See Derek Ten Pas with questions.

Breakfast Club meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at the Lincoln Center Hy-Vee at 8:30 am.

UFO meets on the 3rd Monday of the month.

Women's Bible Study meets on the first Monday of the month.

Pub Theology meets the last Sunday of the month at Mucky Duck; next meeting will be **October 26 at 7 PM**.

Hymn Sing will not meet in November; the next event will be on **Sunday, December 7 at 5:00 PM**

Next Council meeting is **November 12** at 6:30 PM.

DENOMINATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: God's Never-Changing Love - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "God's Never-Changing Love" at www.kidscorner.net. Change can be confusing, but just like Paul trusted God's love through every adventure and challenge, we can too! No matter what happens around us, God's love never changes, and he's always with us. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like our video Bible study "God's Big Story".

Groundwork: Your Questions about the Triune God - Let's explore your questions about the Trinity together. Study Deuteronomy 6:4, Matthew 28:16-20, 1 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 1 Corinthians 15:24-28, Acts 8:14-16, and John 17:20-23 with Groundwork to gain a deeper understanding of the nature of our Triune God and how our belief in the Triune God influences our worship and the sacrament of baptism. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

World Renew

Together We Can End Global Hunger - In a world where there is more than enough food to feed everyone, yet more than 900 million people do not have enough to eat, let us work to end hunger for good. Next week, join World Renew's mission to share Christ's hope with communities struggling with hunger. With your gifts, we can help provide the training and tools families need to journey away from hunger for the long haul. To learn more, go to worldrenew.net/worldhunger

Thrive

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Reformation Sunday - The Reformers emphasized that the Bible is our authority in matters of faith and life (sola scriptura). Ask someone whose faith you admire to share with you how God's Word helps guide their decisions and their view of the world. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

VOLUNTEERS

Greeters: Sterenberg
Nursery: Judy O. and Mindy N.
Sound: Rob Barnes
Children's Message: Stacy Hertz
Congregational Prayer: Rex De Bruin

Greeters

Oct 26 Sterenberg	Dec 14 Bakker
Nov 2 't Hoen	Dec 21 Bergman
Nov 9 VanDyk	Dec 28 De Bruin
Nov 16 Verkade	Jan 4 Franje
Nov 23 Niemeyer	Jan 11 Copley
Nov 30 Voss	Jan 18 Hobson
Dec 7 Yoder	Jan 25 Voss

Nursery

Oct 26	Judy and Sue	Dec 14	Lyndee and Kristy
Nov 2	Mary and Elizabeth	Dec 21	Mindy and Cassie
Nov 9	Sue and Clayton	Dec 28	Megan and Pam N
Nov 16	Rachel and Brianna	Jan 4	Judy and Kenzie
Nov 23	Melody and Alisabeth	Jan 11	Mary and Sue
Nov 30	Jessica and Kathryn	Jan 18	Lyndee and Elizabeth
Dec 7	Donna and Sue	Jan 25	Rachel and Clayton

Children's Message

Oct 26 Randy Raak
Nov 2 Stacy Hertz
Nov 9 Rex De Bruin
Nov 16 Randy Raak
Nov 23 Laura Hufford
Nov 30 Lora Copley
Dec 7 Jeff Kopaska

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Dec 21 Rex De Bruin
Dec 28 Randy Raak
Jan 4 Laura Hufford
Jan 11 Lora Copley
Jan 18 Jeff Kopaska
Jan 25 Stacy Hertz

Congregational Prayer

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Nov 16 Tom Niehof
Nov 23 Randy Raak
Nov 30 Mark Voss
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Dec 28 Tom Niehof
Jan 4 Randy Raak
Jan 11 Lora Copley
Jan 18 Tom Niehof
Jan 25 Randy Raak

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Deacons: A-G = Derek Ten Pas; H-K = Christopher 't Hoen; L-S = Mark Voss; T-Z = Donna Bergman

Committee Chairs: Building & Grounds – Jim Bergman; Education – Christopher 't Hoen; Endowment – Paul Kleinwolterink; Fellowship – Sue Fee; Technology – Tom Kuyper; Outreach and Enfoldng – Mark Voss; Worship – Randy Raak