

We have come here today to magnify and worship our wonderful Lord. We are so happy that you have joined us, and we want to welcome you. We hope you will be blessed through God's Word and feel His presence here. If you are a visitor, please take a moment to fill out a Connection Card (found in your pew) and place it in the offering plate. Join us for coffee, juice, and snacks in the lobby after the service.

Preparation: You are encouraged to pray silently asking God to soften your heart to hear His voice.

Palm Sunday – April 14, 2019

We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements

New Members – Ryan & Breanna Vande Zande

Baptism – Maron Jean Vande Zande

Jr. Choir – “What a Beautiful Name”

Greet one another

Praise Singing

“Hosanna”

“How Great is Our God”

“Revelation Song” (PreK-5th Grade can meet Adrea in the back of the sanctuary)

Congregational Prayer

PreK-5th Graders – “Jumping Up and Down

“Hosanna Rock”

We Hear God's Word

Children's Message – Linda Mulder

Message – A Dying Man's Discourse: A Call to Rejoice

Scripture – John 12:12-16, 16:16-22

We Respond to God

Prayer

Offering – “Hosanna, Praise is Rising”

Benediction

We would love to pray with you! If you would like prayer, please join our prayer leaders at the front of the sanctuary following the service.

Today at the ARC

Ushers: Dwaine Vande Berg, Mark Zeatlow, Ben Kraemer, Casey Flier

Nursery: Des Hull, Angie Daane, McKenna Cunningham, Casey Flier

Greeters: (M) John & Betty Benson (N) Brian & Cora Hemp (N. Ext.) Randy & Peggy Bresser

Benevolent offering is for Missionary Salaries **Sound:** Steve Chené

Parking Assistance: Jeff Kok & Bob Pluim **Video Tech:** Liam, Oliver, & Garret Glewen

10:45am – Sunday School 6:45pm – Middle School Youth Home Groups

This Week at the ARC: April 14th – 20th

Tape Ministry: Betty Daane & Kathy Flier

Monday, April 15th

6:00pm – Men's Bible Study – Topic: The Church & Politics

6:30pm – Young Adult Bible Study

7:00pm – High School Bible Study at Pizza Ranch

Tuesday, April 16th

7:30am – Prayer Meeting for our schools

8:00am – Prayer Meeting

6:00pm – Outreach Team Meeting

6:30pm – Women's Ministries Meeting

Wednesday, April 17th

5:45pm – Prayer Meeting

6:45pm – Mixed Choir

7:00pm – Mass Choir

7:30pm – High School Youth Home Groups

Thursday, April 18th

7:00pm – Maundy Thursday Service (Nursery will be provided)

Friday, April 19th

1:00pm – Good Friday Service (Nursery will be provided)

Next Sunday at the ARC

8:30am – Prayer Meeting

9:30am – Easter, Pastor Kevin, Mass Choir

Ushers: Larry Daane, Matt McDowell, Andy Derksen, Corey Flier

Nursery: Julia Meinke, Amber Vande Berg, Liam Glewen, Grant Braskamp, Lucas Bresser, Drew Sauer

Greeters: (M) Vern & Roxy Schouten (N) Sue Bos & Betty Bruins (N. Ext.) Steve & Torie Daane

Benevolent offering is for Regular Benevolence **Sound:** Ken Daun

Parking Assistance: Miley Ter Beest & Burt Wiersema

Tape Ministry: Bob Pluim & Robert Kastein

Video Tech: Zack & Elyssa Van Wyk

5:00pm – Easter Meal at the Union

5:30pm – Easter Egg Hunt at the Union

Upcoming Events

- Apr 22** 6:30pm – Young Adult Bible Study
 7:00pm – High School Bible Study at Pizza Ranch
- Apr 23** 7:30am – Prayer Meeting for our schools
 8:00am – Prayer Meeting
 12:00pm – Golden Lifers at Pizza Ranch
- Apr 24** 5:45pm – Prayer Meeting
 7:00pm – Worship Ministry Team Meeting
 7:30pm – High School Youth Bridge Dinner
- Apr 27** 9:00am – 4K Class Donuts with Dad

Youth News

Middle School – Home Groups tonight! Be there are 6:45! Don't forget to share about how you've been spreading the gospel this week!

High School – Meet in Home Groups Wednesday to talk about having a New Identity in Christ!

Opportunities to Get Involved

Ongoing Opportunities to Serve – We're always looking for people to serve/help in the following areas in church: ushers, making bars/cookies, children's message volunteers, or soda donations for youth group. To volunteer or for more details, please talk with any staff member.

Easter Meal – Our church along with First Reformed and Trinity Reformed will be hosting a free Easter supper on April 21st from 5-6:30pm at the Union. There are sign-up sheets on the information desk listing all the ways you can help, either by bringing a food item, helping set up, serve, etc. We would also like you to sit and enjoy this meal with the members of our community and get to know them. This is an opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

The Mother-Daughter-Sister-Friend Event is Women's Ministries' new spin on the long-lost Mother-Daughter Banquet. Join us, and bring the mothers, daughters, sisters or friends in your life for two hours on Sunday, May 5th, in the church basement. The meal will start at noon, we'll have activities to do with those around you, separate messages to keep both kids and adults interested and growing, and a craft to take home to remind you to BLOOM where you are PLANTED. Sign up at the info desk soon. We can't wait to see you there!

Bulletin Board News

Thinking about joining church? – Read over the Discovering Membership packet (found at the info desk or on our website) then join Pastor Kevin & Stephanie at their home for brunch on Sun., **May 19th at 12pm** following Sunday school. RSVP to Pastor Kevin or Megan.

Congrats to Helen Straks as she celebrates her 92nd birthday on April 15th.

Congrats to Doris Daane as she celebrates her 96th birthday on April 16th.

Mass Choir Practices – All of the choirs will be practicing together for Easter. April 17th at 7:00-7:30pm. All choir members are encouraged to attend.

Cookbook – The Hospitality Team is collecting recipes for a church cookbook. If you'd like to submit a recipe (or a few), please email the recipe to office@altoreformedchurch.org or put the recipe in Bridget Lammers' mailbox by June 2nd.

First Reformed Lenten Coffee Hour – You're invited to the Lenten Coffee Hour at First Reformed Church, Waupun on Tues., April 16th at 9:30am. Breakfast will be served, and Pastor Barry Lang will be the speaker. A free-will offering will be taken for the Waupun Food Pantry. RSVP to 324-2321.

Bus Trip to The Fireside – Trinity Reformed Church will be taking their bus to see the Collingsworth Family at The Fireside on Tuesday, May 7th. There are tickets available on a first come first served basis. The bus will leave the church at 9:30am. Cost is \$55, and checks can be made out to Trinity Reformed Church. Contact Kurt Neevel (382-4339) to sign up or with any questions.

P - praise R - repent A - ask Y - yield

Prayer Concerns since April 7th

*Concerns submitted since last week

1. Pray that we would be listening for God to speak by the Holy Spirit to reveal Himself, His purposes, and His ways.
2. *Pray for the family of Sharon Loomans. She passed away on April 7th.
3. *Pray for Junice Vande Zande. She has 2 minor strokes last week.
4. *Praise that Carl VanderKooi had successful heart surgery.
5. Pray for discernment for the RCA's Vision 2020 Task Force in discerning a path forward for the RCA. Pray for the Alto 2020 Task Force to discern a path forward and to speak into the RCA.
6. Pray for the farmers and the stresses they face.
7. Pray for the prayer requests in the silent prayer box.
8. Pray for those battling addictions, anxieties, worries and stress and for God to sustain and deliver them.
9. Pray for marriages to be strengthened.
10. Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery or illness: Elaine Daane, Chera Duvall, Andy Glewen, Annice Hopp, Pearl Johnson, Donna Kastein, Dave Rumley, Sylvia Schouten, Carl VanderKooi, Jan VerHage, and Silas Willey.
11. Members in assisted living, nursing homes or those confined to their home:
Anchor Communities (Brandon): Dale Kastein. **Anchor Community (Fox Lake):** Doris Daane. **Barrett House:** Lowell Glewen. **Christian Home:** Gladys Kastein, Eleanor Loomans, Katherine Prange, Helen Straks, Mike Vande Zande, Warren & Kay Vande Zande. **Evergreen:** Glen Loomans. **Home:** Mary Marquardt, Dayton Ter Beest. **The Homestead:** Sylvia Schouten. **Maple Crest Assisted Living:** Carol De Groot. **Maple Meadows:** Arlene Henning. **Marvin's Manor:** Junice Vande Zande. **The Meadows Assisted Living:** Donna Kastein. **Spring Lake Apartments:** Jessie Klumpers.
12. Pray for: Aaron Zeatlow stationed in Nevada; Sebastian Hoenisch stationed in Florida, grandson of Larry & Gloria Mulder; for the leaders of our country and the troops stationed overseas; Mitch Miller (former youth group student) Marine deployed to the Middle East.
13. Missionaries: Bob Abel – Remember Nhu, Steve & Amanda Bialy – Converge, Chris Briggs – CCCD, Erika – Eurasia, Jersey Hoffner – Overland Missions, Randy & Wanda Potratz – SIM, Scott Ritzema – Youth for Christ