

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.

Easter - April 21, 2019

We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements

Sonshine Singers – “Jesus is Alive”

Greet one another

Praise Singing

“Jesus, Messiah”

“Amazing Love”

“Because He Lives”

Congregational Prayer

Men's Chorus – “Jesus Saves”

We Hear God's Word

Children's Message – Lynnae Loomans

Message – A Dying Man's Discourse: Called to Live

Scripture – John 14:19

We Respond to God

Prayer

Offering – Mixed Choir “Crucified with Christ”

Mass Choir – “Living Hope”

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: 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

Video Tech: Zack & Elyssa Van Wyk

5:00pm – Easter Meal at the Union

5:30pm – Easter Egg Hunt at the Union

This Week at the ARC: April 21st - 27th

Tape Ministry: Bob Pluim & Robert Kastein

Monday, April 22nd

6:30pm – Young Adult Bible Study

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

Tuesday, April 23rd

7:30am – Prayer Meeting for our schools

8:00am – Prayer Meeting

12:00pm – Golden Lifers End of Year Get Together at the Pizza Ranch

6:30pm – Equipping Adults Team Meeting

Wednesday, April 24th

5:45pm – Prayer Meeting

6:45pm – Mixed Choir

7:00pm – Worship Ministry Team Meeting

7:30pm – High School Youth Group

Saturday, April 27th

9:00am – 4K Class Donuts with Dad

Post Prom

Next Sunday at the ARC

8:30am – Prayer Meeting

9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Sonshine Singers, WOW, Gideons

Ushers: Berwyn Van Buren, Bob Kloosterboer, Rich Kamphuis, Paul Bruins, Chas Glewen

Nursery: Sheila Schultz, Owen Harmsen, Elyssa Van Wyk, Taylor Daane

Greeters: (M) Robert & Beverly Kastein (N) Jim & Carol Parrish (N. Ext.) Bill & Mary Bruins

Benevolent offering is for Gideons International **Sound:** Chad Loomans

Parking Assistance: Gary & Marlene Navis

Tape Ministry: Randy Bresser & Larry Mulder **Video Tech:** Rylan Bruins & Marla De Jager

10:45am – Sunday School

6:00pm – Jr. Choir

6:45pm – Middle School Youth Bridge Dinner

Upcoming Events

- Apr 29** 6:30pm – Young Adult Bible Study
7:00pm – Deacon Meeting, High School Bible Study at Pizza Ranch
- Apr 30** 7:30am – Prayer Meeting for our schools
8:00am – Prayer Meeting
- May 1** 5:45pm – Prayer Meeting
7:30pm – High School Youth Group
- May 3** 5:30pm – Middle School Youth Group Crock-pot Fundraiser
- May 5** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Men's Chorus, WOW
10:45am – Sunday School
12:00pm – Mother/Daughter/Sister/Friend Event
6:00pm – Jr. Choir
6:45pm – Middle School Youth Group

Youth News

Middle School – Happy Easter! No youth group tonight, but we hope you'll join us at the Union for our Easter Outreach Meal!

High School – Wednesday night we have special guest speaker, Lydia Respalje, coming to tell us her story and how God is currently moving and working in her life to do great things for His plan! Invite your friends! See you at 7:30!

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. We hope you will join us.

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!

What will it take to make your marriage sizzle? Time after time, *His Needs, Her Needs* has topped the charts as the best marriage book available. More than any other, this book helps husbands and wives give each other what they need most in marriage. You will discover that an outstanding marriage can be more than a dream--it can be your reality. Join us for the video series over the next four Sundays (Apr 28-May 19) at 10:45am in the sanctuary.

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.

Calendar – Please have any additions/changes to the May calendar to Megan by Tuesday.

AMEN – Articles are due next Sunday, April 28th.

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.

National Day of Prayer – Pray for America. Thursday, May 2nd at 6:30-8pm at The River Church, 200 Fox Lake Rd., Waupun.

Men's Bible Study Retreat – You will learn the importance of unity among all believers and the cost of being a follower of Christ. We will see how we can find significance through service, what it means to surrender our lives to Christ, how to deal with trials in our lives and how a legacy is about serving others. Saturday, May 4 at 8am-5pm at the Green Lake Conference Center. Register ASAP at www.onewaupun.com.

Post Proms – Both Laconia and Waupun are looking for donations of bars and cookies or monetary support for their post proms. If you are able to make bars or cookies, please sign up on the information desk! If you'd like to make a monetary donation, please designate a school and put the check in the youth director mailbox.

VBS – Save the date! VBS is set for July 15th-19th. VBS will be here before we know it and our decorations prep will be getting underway soon. We are looking for the following types of materials to help us put together a shipwreck island theme...brown packing paper, brown paper bags, broken/old umbrellas, paper towel tubes, Pringles cans (or other cardboard canisters), plastic barrels/barrel-shaped containers (these can be of any size). If you're unsure if we can use something feel free to bring it in and we can dispose of it if it won't work out. All donations can be placed in the totes located inside the fellowship kitchen doors (across from the offices). Questions? Contact Adrea Daane!

VBS CD's – If you would like to take a CD of the songs for this summer's VBS they're available on the info desk.

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

Prayer Concerns since April 14th

*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. *Praise! Jared & Ashley Stelsel had a baby boy, Gavin Lloyd, on April 16th.
3. *Pray for the family of Bruce & Kathy Buwalda. Bruce's mom passed away earlier this week.
4. *Pray for healing for Anna Procknow, daughter of Jason & Hope Procknow, great-granddaughter of Margaret Hoekstra.
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, Jim Parrish, 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