

**April 23, 2023**



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## **We Approach God**

Welcome & Announcements

Praise Singing

“Majesty” Hymn #1

“I Will Sing of My Redeemer” Hymn #179 vs 1, 3, & 4

“A New Name in Glory” Hymn #622

“Glorify Thy Name” Hymn #52

Congregational Prayer

The Apostle’s Creed

## **We Hear God’s Word**

Children’s Message – Jackie Tenpas

Message – Jim Lemmenes

What’s Your Story?

Scripture – John 11:1-53

## **We Respond to God**

Prayer

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus” Hymn #491 vs 1 & 3

Benediction

*If you are newer to Alto Reformed Church, we invite you to fill out a Connection Card, located at the entrance to the sanctuary, and turn it in at the Fellowship Kitchen for a small gift.*

## *Upcoming Events*

- Apr 23** All Church Retreat  
8:30am – Prayer Meeting  
9:30am – Pulpit Supply - Jim Lemmenes  
10:45am – No Sunday School  
5:30pm – Youth Partnership Class
- Apr 24** 6:30pm – Women’s Bible Study
- Apr 25** 8:00am – Prayer Meeting  
6:30pm – Equipping Adults Team Meeting
- Apr 26** 9:30am – Golden Lifers  
6:00pm – Intermediate Praise Team  
7:30pm – High School Youth Group
- Apr 30** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting  
9:30am – Pastor Kevin  
10:45am – Sunday School, Covenant Partnership Class  
5:30pm – Jr High Praise Band  
6:00pm – Post-High Bags Tournament at The Rock  
6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group

To view the church calendar, go to [www.altoreformedchurch.org](http://www.altoreformedchurch.org)

## *Youth News*

**Middle School** – Tonight we’re playing Car Hide & Seek! See you at 6:30!

**High School** – Wednesday we’ll be talking about discipleship. You’ll have the opportunity to hear from a few of your peers on how discipling looks in their life and how it’s helped them to grow in their faith. See you at 7:30!

## *Bulletin Board News*

**Offering** may be placed in one of the three white offering boxes located in the lobby, may be given online, or through autopay. For more info or to set up autopay, please contact Megan. Upcoming benevolent schedule: 4/23 Brandon Food Pantry, 4/30 Regular Benevolence, 5/7 Missionary Salary, 5/14 Regular Benevolence. If you feel led to give specifically towards the ceiling project, please put your check in a separate marked envelope in one of the offering boxes. The deacons are keeping track separately of what has been contributed towards the project, which will be shown on the monthly financial reports. Thank you.

**Congrats** to Sharon DeMotts as she celebrates her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday today.

**New Directory** – Covenant Partners, if you ordered a new directory, you may pick it up from the coat racks in the west hallway (by the elevator). Please only take the directory with YOUR name on it. If you did not order a directory, but would like one, let Megan know and you’ll be added to the list for January updates. Thanks!

**Lunch at The Community Table** – Our church is serving at the Community Table on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Please sign-up at the Information Center if you would be willing to donate. Please bring items to The Community Table (next to the food pantry on Mill St) by 10:30am on Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. Contact Peg Bresser at 382-9648 if you have any questions. Thank you!

**Donations Needed for VBS** – Over the next few months we will be collecting large cardboard to use for VBS decorations. We are also looking for water bottle caps, yellow, orange or red tissue paper, new colored plastic tablecloths and new/used pool noodles. Donations may be placed in the tote by the Children & Families Resource Center.

**AMEN** articles are due Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.

### *Opportunities to Get Involved*

**Golden Lifers** – Our last meeting of the season is Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at Go Dutch for breakfast at 9:30am. Randy & Peg Bresser will tell about their experience in Jamaica.

**Partnership Class** – Ready to up your commitment to Christ and His church? Church membership, or as we call it covenant partnership, is a commitment every believer should take as it provides support for you and opens doors for you to grow and serve. Join Pastor Kevin to learn more on April 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:45am at his house. Lunch is provided. Family is welcome to come. Contact him with questions and to let him know you are coming.

**Post-High Bags Tournament** – Young Adults join us for a free bags tournament at The Rock Golf Club on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Signup at the Information Center or by contacting Andy Glewen (920-375-0213) or Caleb Glewen (920-904-0484).

**Foster Care Awareness Event** – Don't miss our upcoming Foster Care Awareness event on May 7<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday School hour! You'll hear personal experiences from some of our own foster families, as well as from individuals who are involved in our church's foster care ministry. So grab your coffee and join us in the sanctuary on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:45am. Everyone is welcome!

**Newcomer's Lunch** – We welcome all new families/individuals to join us May 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am after Sunday School for lunch in the basement. The main dish, tableware, and drinks will be provided by the ARC, all who attend may bring a dish to pass. There will be a sign up sheet located on the information desk. RSVPs will be needed by April 30<sup>th</sup>. Not a "new" member but still want to attend? Feel free to help sign up and join us in welcoming our newest faces.

**VBS Volunteers Needed** – We are looking for volunteers (incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade-adults) to help with VBS June 19-23 at 9-11:30am. Please sign up at the Children & Families Resource Center. VBS registration will open for 3 year olds – incoming 5<sup>th</sup> graders in May.

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

**Praise:** Lord Jesus, we rejoice that you came two thousand years ago to reveal God's grace and truth. We rejoice that you will come again to establish your kingdom in full. We praise you as the Ruler and King of all.

**Repent:** Forgive us for living as though you are not coming back soon. Stir our hearts to action that we might be found faithful and ready when you return.

**Ask:** Help us keep our eyes on the hope of heaven. Encourage and strengthen us as we seek to live out your kingdom now on earth. Revive our faith, inspiring us to study your Word and to pray without ceasing. Renew our passion for your mission and help us reach the lost. We ask for faith, healing, strength and peace for those listed below as they face challenges each day. Guide and lead our national and world leaders to bring justice and peace to all.

**Yield:** Until your return, I will maintain a life of prayer, study your Word, participate in the Lord's supper, gather with believers regularly, use my spiritual gifts and financial resources to further the mission of Jesus through the local church, live a life pleasing to you and accept the spiritual guidance of the church leadership.

**THIS WEEK...** Pray for Don & Pat Vande Zande as they continue to search for a care facility for Don.

**Healing:** Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery/illness, etc.: Betty Daane, Cal Flegner, Barbara Gordon, Alvin Harmsen, Kevin Harmsen, Sharon Harmsen, John Hoekstra, Faye Janey, Isabel Kastein, Rich Kamphuis, Jim Parrish, Dave Rumley, Jean Stelsel, Jodi Vande Berg, Carl VanderKooi, Jake Vande Zande, Ron Vande Zande, Connie Wiersema, and Silas Willey.

### **Military Personnel:**

Aaron Zeatlow, stationed in Las Vegas; Sebastian Hoenisch, deployed on an aircraft carrier in the Pacific, grandson of Larry & Gloria Mulder; Mitch Miller, US

**Shut-ins:** Members in assisted living, nursing homes or those confined to their home: **Barrett House:** Lowell Glewen **Charleston House:** Brian Hemp **Beaver Dam Memory Care:** Cora Hemp **Christian Home:** Sharon Harmsen, Dayton TerBeest, Junice Vande Zande, Kay Vande Zande **Home:** Margaret Hoekstra, Julie Medema, Marion Tolsma, Marilyn Westerveld **Christian Homestead:** Betty Bruins **Maple Meadows:** Arlene Henning **Marvin's Manor:** Eleanor Loomans **Prairie Ridge:** Annice Hopp

**Missionaries:** Bob Abel – Remember Nhu, Steve & Amanda Bialy – Converge, Chris Briggs – CCCD, Andy Lickel – InterVarsity, Jersey & Preston Sheldon – Overland Missions, Randy & Wanda Potratz – SIM, Scott Ritzema – Youth for Christ