

February 20, 2022



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We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements

Mixed Choir – “God and God Alone”

Praise Singing

“King of Kings”

“In Christ Alone”

3 Minutes for Missions – Randy & Wanda Potratz

Congregational Prayer

We Hear God’s Word

Children’s Message – Linda Mulder

Message – Re-forming Me: The Mind of God

Scripture – 1 Corinthians 2:6-16

We Respond to God

Prayer

“Seek Ye First” Hymn #544

Blessing

Memory Verse for Feb 23rd

I will walk among you and be your God, and you will be my people. – Leviticus 26:13



Re-forming Me

Sermon Notes: The Mind of God

Key Scriptures: 1 Corinthians 2:6-16

“Paul’s discussion of wisdom could easily be misunderstood, and so he begins to address a possible false conclusion. The message of the cross is foolish to secular society, but it does not follow that Paul’s message is actually foolish. Rightly understood, Paul’s gospel represents wisdom.”

- Thomas Shreiner

Q: How can we know and understand the wisdom of God?

A: The Wisdom of God is only revealed by the Holy Spirit, it cannot be discovered.

Q: Who can know and understand the wisdom of God?

A: Only those with the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 2:11c-12 & 14 - *In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. 12 We have not received the spirit of the world but the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us...14 14The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned.*

Application:

1. Set aside 30 minutes this week in a quiet place to spend time alone with God just listening. No bible, no talking for the at least 15 minutes.
2. Spend time in prayer thanking God for the truth He has revealed to you. You wouldn’t understand any of it without His Holy Spirit.

Upcoming Events

- Feb 20** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Doug, Mixed Choir, 3 Minutes for Missions – Potratz
10:45am – Sunday School
6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group
- Feb 21** 6:00pm – Women’s Ministry Team Meeting
6:30pm – Men’s Bible Study – “Fight”
7:00pm – High School + 8th grade Bible Study
- Feb 22** 8:00am – Prayer Meeting
- Feb 23** 6:00pm – Intermediate Praise Team
6:20pm – Sonshine Singers, Jr Choir
6:30pm – Mixed Choir
6:45pm – Bible Class
7:00pm – High School Praise Team
7:30pm – High School Youth Group, Men’s Chorus
- Feb 25** High Schoolers to Silver Birch
- Feb 26** High Schoolers at Silver Birch
- Feb 27** High Schoolers return from Silver Birch
8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Sonshine Singers
10:45am – Sunday School
5:30pm – MS/HS Praise Team
6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group

Youth News

Middle School – Tonight we’re watching as Matthew is called out of his life as a tax collector and into a life of following Jesus. He gave up so much but gained even more. We’ll have popcorn and snacks while we watch this episode of The Chosen. See you at 6:30!

High School Jamaica Mission Trip Info Meeting at 4pm today.

Jr/Sr Praise Band practice 5:30-6:15 tonight.

High School – Meet here at 7:30 or at Bethel Reformed in Brandon at 7:45 as we join together for a question and answer night panel discussion. You submitted some great questions that we’re excited to talk through! We’ll be done at 9pm in Brandon so pick up in Alto will be at 9:15.

Opportunities to Get Involved

Women's Bible Studies – The Women's Ministry Team will be hosting 3 different bible studies beginning the week of February 28th through the week of April 11th. "Elijah" Mondays at 6:30pm, "In His Image" Tuesdays at 9:30am, and "Resisting the Rush" Sundays at 10:45am. More details in your church mailbox. Signup at the Information Center by February 20th.

Pinewood Derby Family Night – Join us at the Alto Community Center on Monday, April 11th from 5:30-7:30pm for fun, free night. We'll have a meal at 5:30pm and races will start at 6pm. Not racing a car? We'll have other family friendly activities too. Sign-up and grab a car kit with instructions at the Children & Families Resource Center by March 20th. Classes range from 1st grade to adult.

All Church Retreat – Join us for our 1st All Church Retreat at Silver Birch Ranch April 22-24. Check your mailbox or the Information Center for the brochure with all the details! Register online at <https://forms.gle/ETUUM2LCFIHTVXQC8> by March 31st or contact Megan to get help with registration. Any questions, reach out to Pastor Doug, Adrea, or Jessa.

Bulletin Board News

Offering may be placed in one of the three white offering boxes located in the lobby. Upcoming benevolent schedule: 2/20 Regular Benevolence, 2/27 Missionary Salary, 3/6 Missionary Salary, 3/13 Waupun & Brandon Food Pantries.

AMEN articles are due next Sunday, February 27th.

Congrats to Betty Daane as she celebrates her 80th birthday today.

Congrats to Jerry & Sue Medema as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on February 24th.

Food Pantry Collection – During the month of February we are collecting feminine hygiene products for the Waupun Food Pantry. The food pantry will coordinate with the Waupun Area Jr/Sr High School to distribute these products to girls in need. Donations may be placed in the tote in the copy room.

Trophies of Grace Sportsmen's Dinner – You're invited to the Rock Golf Club in Waupun on March 5 at 4pm for the Trophies of Grace Sportsmen's Dinner featuring speaker Jim VanSteenhouse. The evening will include a whitetail display, dinner, door prizes, and Jim will share about his near-death experience that changed his life completely. Ticket cost is \$40 (includes dinner & raffle). Tickets may be purchased at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/trophies-of-grace-sportsmens-dinner-tickets-226317420497?fbclid=IwAR1p8C0m_NdvhFy9Zjs18tOpnO9PekLlj8nbXIAI7ow28GFZ8W9IFjRK4Yw or by emailing trophiesofgraceinfo@gmail.com

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

Praise: Almighty God, we simply cannot comprehend your wisdom and plans. Yet, we rejoice that you have given your Spirit so that we may understand enough to live in your grace and speak your truth to others. Thank you for sending your Spirit to dwell within us.

Repent: Merciful Father, forgive me for thinking my wisdom is sufficient and ignoring the direction you give in your Word and by your Spirit.

Ask: Lord Jesus, help me understand your will for me...

- Revive my faith by inspiring me to study your Word and to pray without ceasing.
- Renew my passion for your mission and help me reach the lost.
- Heal and strengthen those listed below as they face challenges each day.

Yield: Holy Spirit, I surrender to Your direction and promise to listen to your voice as I humbly pray each day.

Healing: Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery or illness: Ashley Bruins, Betty Daane, Dusty Deming, Alvin Harmsen, Diane Harmsen, Sharon Harmsen, Jim Parrish, Dave Rumley, Jessica Schultz, Jean Stelsel, Carl VanderKooi, Jake Vande Zande, and Silas Willey.

Military Personnel: Aaron Zeatlow, stationed in New Mexico; Sebastian Hoenisch, stationed in the San Diego, grandson of Larry & Gloria Mulder; Mitch Miller, stationed in the South China Sea

Shut-ins: Members in assisted living, nursing homes or those confined to their home: **Anchor Communities (Brandon):** Dale Kastein **Barrett House:** Lowell Glewen **Beaver Dam Assisted Living:** Brian Hemp **Beaver Dam Memory Care:** Cora Hemp **Christian Home:** Sharon Harmsen, Helen Straks, Junice Vande Zande, Kay Vande Zande **Christian Homestead:** Warren Vande Zande **Evergreen:** Glen Loomans **Hillside Manor:** Harvey Daane **Home:** Margaret Hoekstra, Dayton Ter Beest **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, Mandy Kimes – His House Christian Fellowship, Andy Lickel – InterVarsity, Jersey & Preston Sheldon – Overland Missions, Randy & Wanda Potratz – SIM, Scott Ritzema – Youth for Christ