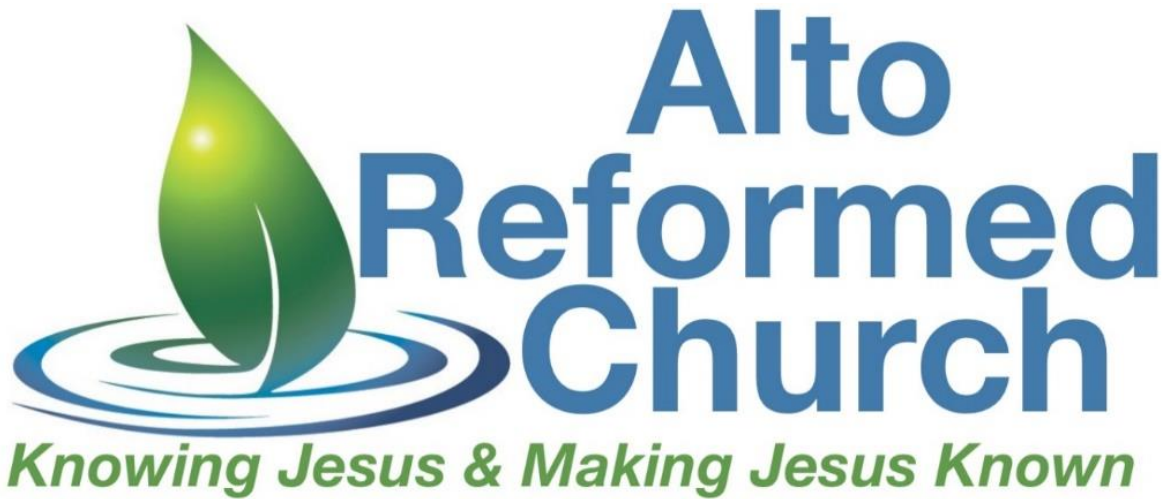


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We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements

Praise Singing

“Jesus Messiah”

“Amazing Love”

Congregational Prayer

We Hear God’s Word

Children’s Message – Beth Ann Redeker

Message – “I would count myself as a kind of very, very bad Christian.”

Scripture – 1 John 1:5-10; 2:1-6, 12-17, 28-29; 3:3-10, 21-24; 5:3-4

We Respond to God

Prayer

“Trust & Obey” Hymn #586

Blessing



“In God’s school of obedience the Bible is the only text-book. ... Scripture was not written to increase our knowledge but to guide our conduct...” - The School of Obedience by Rev. Andrew Murray, p. 17

ESSENTIALS OF OBEDIENCE

1. UNDERSTAND THE HERESIES ENCOURAGING DISOBEDIENCE

Heresy 1: Sin does not matter

Heresy 2: ‘I’m not a sinner’—the denial of the sinful nature.

Heresy 3: ‘I haven’t sinned’—the denial of sinful actions

Heresies Today:

2. UNDERSTAND GOD’S SOLUTION FOR DISOBEDIENCE

God justifies & forgives us (2:1-2)

God sanctifies us (3:9)

God requires repentance (1:9)

3. UNDERSTAND GOD’S COMMAND FOR OBEDIENCE

APPLICATION:

The secret of true obedience—_____ in Jesus

PRACTICAL NEXT STEPS:

1. Read the one true text book, the Bible, listening for the Holy Spirit to personally apply it to your heart. There is no other way to learn obedience and live faithfully. Vow to spend 30 minutes with Jesus each day.
2. Read Andrew Murray’s “The School of obedience.”
<http://christianrep.com/blog/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/The-School-of-Obedience-by-Andrew-Murray.pdf> you can listen to it here...
<https://www.ccel.org/ccel/murray/obedience/mp3>. Read a chapter each day, look up the Scripture verses referenced, and then journal what you believe God is telling you.
3. Start the “Journey to 412” today. This is a versatile, yet extensive path to help you grow to maturity. It is a long journey, but you will be grateful as the truth saturates your mind. The flier is available at the information table and at www.altoreformedchurch.org/resources.html. “The Divine Mentor” is a great study for nurturing your personal devotional life.

Upcoming Events

- Jul 18** 8:30am – Sunday School Guide Class
9:30am – Pastor Kevin
1:00pm – CCCD Mission Trip Informational Meeting
5:00pm – Summer Celebration at McCune Park
- Jul 19** 6:00pm – Middle School Bible Study
7:00pm – High School/Young Adult Bible Study
- Jul 20** 8:00am – Prayer Meeting
- Jul 25** 8:30am – Sunday School Guide Class
9:30am – Pastor Doug
3:30pm – Men's Golf Outing
6:30pm – Middle School Bonfire

Youth News

Join us at McCune Beach tonight for our Summer Celebration, 5-7pm! All ages are invited! Bring your family, friends, and neighbors!

Monday night Bible Study resumes tomorrow! Middle School 6-7pm, High School 7-8pm.

Bulletin Board News

Offering may be placed in one of the three white offering boxes located in the lobby. Upcoming benevolent schedule: 7/18 Waupun Food Pantry, 7/25 WNWC/KLUV Christian Radio, 8/1 Missionary Salary, 8/8 The Union.

Congrats to Lowell Glewen as he celebrates his 84th birthday today.

Congrats to Brian Hemp as he observes his 87th birthday on July 22nd.

AMEN articles are due next Sunday, July 25th.

CCCD Van Fund – We are collecting donations for a new van for the Caribbean Christian Centre for the Deaf. The goal is to collect a total of \$20,000. Donations should be labeled CCCD van fund (on the envelope or check memo) and may be placed in the offering boxes in the lobby.

Opportunities to Get Involved

Teacher Needs – We have openings for teaching/helping in multiple grades for both Bible Class and Sunday School this upcoming school year. If you're interested or want more information, please contact Adrea.

Sunday School Snack Servers – We are looking for volunteers to serve the cookies and juice to the kids before Sunday School (right after the church service) September – May. If you would like to be added to this schedule, please contact Adrea.

CCCD Mission Trip Informational Meeting – Marty Huizenga will be hosting an informational meeting in the consistory room on Sunday, July 18th at 1pm for anyone who is interested in going on the mission trip and/or has more questions/wants more information.

Summer Celebration – The Summer Celebration is Sunday, July 18th at 5-7pm at McCune Park. Invite your friends and join us for food, fellowship, bounce houses, kickball, and a homerun derby! If you would be willing to bring a pan of bars, please sign-up at the Information Center.

Men's Golf Outing – Join us for a fun afternoon of golf on Sunday, July 25th at 3:30pm at The Rock Golf Club in Waupun. 9 holes of golf (including cart) + meal = \$40. Sign-up individually or as a group at the information desk or by contacting Joel by July 18th. If you'd rather not golf, but still want to join you're invited to join us for the meal, just talk to Joel Bruins 948-0938.

Mission Circle & Golden Lifer Outing – Join the Mission Circle & Golden Lifers on Wednesday, August 4th at 9am for an outing to the Fairwater Historical Society and the Little White Schoolhouse in Ripon followed by lunch at the Ripon Family Restaurant. If you plan on attending, please sign-up at the Information Center.

Alto Fair Booth – We are looking for volunteers to sit at the ARC's booth at the Alto Fair (Aug 11-12). This is a great way to catch a break in the shade and chat with a bunch of people as they walk through the booths. If you're able to help with this, please sign-up at the Information Center.

Summer JAM – All 3 year olds – incoming 5th graders are invited to join us for Summer JAM (Jesus and Me) during the service every 2nd Sunday of June, July & August. Kids will be invited to the basement before the sermon starts for games, activities or crafts focused around a Bible lesson just for kids (split into PreK & elementary groups).

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

Praise: Today, we rejoice in Your grace shown to us on the cross. We praise Your name for dying for our sins so that we might walk in the light and have assurance of spending eternity with You in heaven. We give You thanks and praise for Your love and forgiveness.

Repent: Forgive us now for believing the lies of this world, for letting heresy creep into our minds and affect how we live. Reveal to us the lies which we have bought into and replace it with Your truth. I confess specifically that I...

Ask: We ask for healing, strength and peace for those listed below as they face challenges each day. Renew their hearts, minds, and bodies to continue to live faithfully in this world. •Give wisdom to our Classis as they have received our petition to transfer out of the RCA to ARC. Guide the Classis team which will meet with our consistory and church, and then make a recommendation to the Classis. Guide the RCA representatives as they prepare for the General Synod in October and the Classis representatives as they meet in November. •Help us remain faithful to You.

Yield: We devote ourselves fully and completely to You as our Lord and Master. We will seek You above all and obey Your Word each day. We will abide in You!

THIS WEEK... Pray for healing for Randy Bruins. Pray for Carl VanderKooi as he has surgery on Tuesday on a rare form of skin cancer.

Healing: Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery or illness: Betty Benson, Harlan Bossenbroek, Ashley Bruins, Randy Bruins, Josie Buiters, Dusty Deming, Paul Elenius, Alvin Harmsen, Sharon Harmsen, Dave Rumley, Tim Tenpas, Azyrah Ter Beest, Carl VanderKooi, Jake Vande Zande, Ron 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, (former youth group student) Marine deployed to the Middle East

Shut-ins: Members in assisted living, nursing homes or those confined to their home: **Anchor Communities (Brandon):** Dale Kastein **Barrett House:** Lowell Glewen **Christian Home:** Sharon Harmsen, Gladys Kastein, Helen Straks, Junice Vande Zande, Kay Vande Zande **Christian Homestead:** Warren Vande Zande **Evergreen:** Glen Loomans **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