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We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements

Praise Singing

“This is Amazing Grace”

“The Lord’s Prayer”

“At the Cross”

Congregational Prayer

Special Music – Ashlan Bruins & Aaralyn Overlien accompanied Rebecca Schultz

“Pie Jesu”

We Hear God’s Word

All 3 year olds – incoming 5th graders are invited to go to the Fellowship Area of the Basement for Summer JAM.

Message – Summer of Seeking: The First Key

Scripture – Luke 11:1-4; Matthew 5:5-8

We Respond to God

Prayer

“Promises”

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.

Summer of Seeking

A Practical Look into the Lord's Prayer

Summer of Seeking: The First Key

The first key to "maintaining a life of prayer" is to be _____,
that means being h_____ and h_____.

1. Be H_____:

How to nurture it...

A. Watch how prayer _____ others. (Luke 11:1)

Who are you watching?

B. Identify _____ to pray. (1 Thessalonians 5:17; Prov. 15:8; John 14:13; James 5:17-18; Mark 1:35; Phil. 4:6-7)

What are your reasons to pray?

C. Make _____ to pray. (Luke 5:16, 33-35; Matthew 6:16-18)

What will you fast from in order to pray more?

2. Be H_____:

How to nurture it...

A. Pray in _____ (Matthew 6:5-6)

B. Pray with fewer _____ (Matthew 6:7-8)

C. Pray from a _____ heart (Luke 18:9-14)

APPLICATION: You _____ & _____ learn to pray with humility and hunger.

Practical Action: Fast. Take something off your calendar to spend time in prayer this week. What time slot will you open up for God? _____

Upcoming Events

- Jun 11** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Special Music – Ashlan Bruins & Aaralyn Overlien,
Summer JAM
10:45am – Equipping Adults Team Meeting
- Jun 12** 6:00pm – Middle School Bible Study
7:00pm – High School Bible Study
8:00pm – High School Band
- Jun 13** 8:00am – Prayer Meeting
7:00pm – Consistory Meeting
- Jun 18** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Special Music – Libbi Campbell
11:00am – Post-High Canoe Trip

To view the church calendar, go to www.altoreformedchurch.org

Youth News

Middle School – Bible Study tomorrow night 6-7pm! We'll be going through Philippians 2.

High School – Bible Study tomorrow night 7-8pm! If you haven't done the Grace gifts and personality assessments from assessme.org yet try to do that before we meet so we can discuss them!

High School Band Practice tomorrow 8-9pm

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: 6/11 Bible League International, 6/18 Missionary Salary, 6/25 Regular Benevolence, 7/2 Mighty Oaks Foundation. 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 Vern & Roxy Schouten as they celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on June 14th.

Summer JAM – All 3-year-olds – incoming 5th graders are invited to join us for Summer JAM (Jesus and Me) during the service 6/11, 6/25, 7/9, 7/23, & 8/27. Kids will be invited to the basement before the sermon starts for games, activities or crafts focused on a Bible lesson just for kids (split into PreK & elementary groups).

School Supply Donations – REACH Waupun will once again be hosting the annual School Supply Distribution on August 8th. Last year REACH Waupun was able to help over 225 families with the supplies needed for school. We have found that collecting only monetary donations for us to purchase the supplies works the best and students receive exactly what is needed. We thank you in advance for your monetary donations. Checks should be made out to REACH Waupun, Inc. with “School Supply Distribution” in the memo and mailed directly to PO Box 302, Waupun, WI 53963. Please make your donations by July 22nd.

Opportunities to Get Involved

Attention Post-Highers! Join us as we canoe down the Wisconsin River on Sunday afternoon, June 18th. And being that it’s Father’s Day, invite your dad too! Itinerary: 11am leave church, 11:45am lunch at Dairy Queen in Portage – on you, 12:30-3pm canoeing, 4pm back at church. Please let Miley know if you’re going, and also if you have a canoe, kayak, paddles or life jacket. Directions will be given before we leave church.

CCCD Mission Trip – Marty Huizenga is organizing a mission trip to the Caribbean Christian Center for the Deaf in Jamaica January 16-23, 2024. Cost is \$720/person (\$100 off for married couples). If you are interested in attending, please contact Marty or signup at the Information Center.

Israel Trip – You are invited to join Alto Reformed Church to discover the beauty and splendor of our Christian roots as Pastor Doug Shotsky, Pastor Wayne Skaff and guide, Jane BenAri share in a life-changing experience as the word of God comes alive while we walk through the land of the Bible October 23-November 2, 2024. This will be Wayne’s 56th trip to Israel. We will be visiting many new places and discoveries, and this will be trip of a lifetime and a “Bible comes alive” experience. The entire cost for the 11-day trip is \$5,399. The tour includes round trip airfare from Milwaukee, 4-Star hotels with double occupancy, breakfast and dinner daily, a deluxe tour bus, entrance fees and Israeli tour guide Jane Ben Ari. A \$500 deposit is due ASAP. Final payment is due June 15, 2024. All payments are 100% refundable until May 1, 2024. There is a brochure at the Information Center with more info and if you have more questions, please feel free to reach out to Pastor Doug at (740) 604-0476 or email jesusbuild@yahoo.com.

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

The Lord's Prayer

(an easy to understand translation of Mat. 6:9-13, compiled from the NIRV, NET, NLT, & ERV)

Our Father in heaven, _____
may your name be honored. _____
May your kingdom come. _____
May what you want to happen be done _____
on earth as it is done in heaven.

Give us the food we need for today. _____
Forgive our sins, _____
just as we have forgiven those who did wrong to us.

Keep us from sinning when we are tempted. _____
Save us from the evil one. _____
For the kingdom and all power and all glory are yours forever. Amen.

Can you identify which lines are primarily about Praise, Repentance, Asking, and Yielding? Place a P,R,A, or Y in from top of each line. Then make each line a personal prayer.

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, Jim Parrish, Dave Rumley, Jean Stelsel, Jodi Vande Berg, Carl VanderKooi, Jake Vande Zande, Ron Vande Zande, Harold VanRuiswyk, 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
Harbor Haven: Don Vande Zande
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