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We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements

Covenant Partnership – Samantha Luck

Praise Singing

“The Heart of Worship”

“Give Me Jesus”

“Knowing You”

Congregational Prayer

We Hear God’s Word

Children’s Message – Adrea Daane

Message – Hide & Seek with Jesus

Scripture – Luke 11:9-13; Luke 19:1-10

We Respond to God

Prayer

“Seek Ye First” Hymn #544

Benediction



Meet Samantha Luck!

Sam has a story you will want to hear and you will get some of it this morning. She works on the family farm with her brother, Adam, the “beard guy” who sometimes serves you coffee. She strayed from her Lutheran roots early on and wrestled with depression, anger, bitterness, and ultimately felt hopeless. That’s when TikTok changed her life. Like I said, you’ll want to hear her story. She will be professing her faith and joining Alto as a Covenant Partner. Give thanks for how God has worked in Sam and welcome her in!

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

Hide & Seek with Jesus – Week 1

THREE PRINCIPLES BEHIND THE GAME

1. We Should Seek _____ (Luke 11:9-13)
2. _____ Leads Us to Hide or Seek (Gen. 3:7-8; Luke 19:1-9)
3. _____ Seeks Us (Luke 19:10)

APPLICATION: Seek _____ with God through PRAYEr.

(P_____, Repent, A____, Yield)

This week, commit to 30 minutes of alone time with God. Certainly, read your Bible, but use the majority of this time to PRAY. Maybe write a prayer for each letter/type of prayer and then pray these out loud. Maybe sing a worship song or start a list of specific requests you have of God. Then journal what you sense God is saying to you.

Upcoming Events

- Jun 4** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Covenant Partnership
6:30pm – Middle School Bonfire
- Jun 5** 6:00pm – Middle School Bible Study
7:00pm – High School Bible Study
8:00pm – High School Band
- Jun 6** 8:00am – Prayer Meeting
1:30pm – Women’s Mission Circle – *Bible Study #9*
7:00pm – Elder Meeting – *If you are interested in baptism or partnership, please contact Pastor Kevin.*
- Jun 8** 9:00am – Middle & High School Youth Group to Mount Olympus
- Jun 11** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Special Music – Ashlan Bruins & Aaralyn Overlien, Summer JAM
10:45am – Equipping Adults Team Meeting

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

Youth News

Middle School – Meet on the church hill tonight from 6:30-8pm for games and fun! Incoming 6th grade through 9th grade are invited! Feel free to bring friends. Tomorrow night we start our first Middle School Bible Study! We're reading and discussing the book of Philippians this summer. We'll meet in the youth room from 6-7pm.

Middle & High School – Don't forget to sign up for our waterpark day on Thursday! Sign-ups and info are in your email and are due today! Cost is \$15.

High School – Summer Bible Study starts tomorrow night, 7-8pm! We're talking about Spiritual Gifts and watching a short series over the summer on being made for a purpose.

High School Praise Band practice 8-9pm tomorrow night.

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: 6/4 Missionary Salary, 6/11 Bible League International, 6/18 Missionary Salary, 6/25 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 Carl & Mary VanderKooi as they celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary on June 7th.

Congrats to Pastor Ted and Julie Medema as they celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary on June 10th.

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).

Opportunities to Get Involved

VBS snack donation signups are available at the Children & Families Resource Center.

Volunteer Opportunities – If you would like to be added to or removed from any of the following volunteer positions, please sign your name on the form at the Information Center or email Megan. Greeter, Media Delivery, Nursery, Parking Assistance, Sound Tech, Video Tech.

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.

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 each line.

THIS WEEK... Pray for healing for Marilyn Westerveld.

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