

March 24, 2019



The ARC Ministry Staff

Lead Pastor – Kevin Van Wyk

Equipping Adults Pastor – Doug Shotsky – Tues & Wed 9am – 2pm

Equipping Youth Director – Jessa Ter Beest – Tues & Wed 9am – 2pm

Equipping Children & Families Director – Adrea Daane – Tues & Wed 8am – 3pm

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We have come here today to magnify and worship our wonderful Lord. We are so happy that you have joined us, and we want to welcome you. We hope you will be blessed through God's Word and feel His presence here. If you are a visitor, please take a moment to fill out a Connection Card (found in your pew) and place it in the offering plate. Join us for coffee, juice, and snacks in the lobby after the service.

Preparation: You are encouraged to pray silently asking God to soften your heart to hear His voice.

We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements
Sonshine Singers – “Our God”

Greet one another
Praise Singing
 “The Heart of Worship”
 “At the Cross” (Love Ran Red)
 “Because He Lives”

Congregational Prayer

We Hear God's Word

At this time, children 3 years old – 1st grade are dismissed for Walk Out Worship in the basement.

Message – A Dying Man's Discourse: A Call to Welcome
Scripture – John 14:15-31

We Respond to God

Prayer
Offering – “Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me”

Benediction
Closing Song – “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” Hymn #300 vs. 1

We would love to pray with you! If you would like prayer, please join our prayer leaders at the front of the sanctuary following the service.

Today at the ARC

Ushers: Dwaine Vande Berg, Mark Zeatlow, Ben Kraemer, Casey Flier

Nursery: Laura Leonard, Molly Bresser, Ashlan Bruins, Hannah Derksen

Greeters: (M) Reuben & Betty Hopp (N) Alvin & Doris Harmsen
(N. Ext.) Barry & Deb Ter Beest

Benevolent offering is for Missionary Salaries **Sound:** Chad Loomans

Parking Assistance: Vern Schouten & Keith Loomans

Video Tech: Rylan Bruins & Marla De Jager

10:45am – Sunday School 12:00pm – Discovering Membership

6:00pm – Jr. Choir 6:45pm – Middle School Youth Group

This Week at the ARC: March 24th – 30th

Tape Ministry: Larry Kok & Gary Navis

Monday, March 25th

6:30pm – Young Adult Bible Study

7:00pm – Deacon Meeting

Tuesday, March 26th

7:30am – Prayer Meeting for our schools

8:00am – Prayer Meeting

7:00pm – Equipping Children & Families Team Meeting

Wednesday, March 27th

9:30am – Golden Lifers

5:30pm – Youth Praise 2

5:45pm – Prayer Meeting

6:30pm – Bible Class

7:00pm – Men's Chorus

7:30pm – Sonshine Singers, High School Youth Group

Next Sunday at the ARC

8:30am – Prayer Meeting

9:30am – Pastor Kevin

Ushers: Larry Daane, Matt McDowell, Andy Derksen, Corey Flier

Nursery: Carissa Harmsen, Beth Ann Redeker, Easton Hull, Evan Sauer

Greeters: (M) Jerry & Sue Medema (N) Alvin & Doris Harmsen (N. Ext.) Barry & Deb Ter Beest

Benevolent offering is for Missionary Salaries **Sound:** Eric Redeker

Parking Assistance: Brian Tenpas & Milan Vande Zande

Tape Ministry: Phil Loomans & Burt Wiersema **Video Tech:** Steve Chené

10:45am – Sunday School

6:00pm – Jr. Choir 6:45pm – Middle School Youth Group

Upcoming Events

- Apr 1** 6:00pm – Men’s Bible Study: Topic – Environment
6:30pm – Young Adult Bible Study
7:00pm – High School Bible Study at Pizza Ranch
- Apr 2** 7:30am – Prayer Meeting for our schools
8:00am – Prayer Meeting
7:00pm – Elder Meeting – If you would like to discuss membership or baptism, please contact Pastor Kevin.
- Apr 3** 9:30am – Golden Lifers
5:30pm – Youth Praise 2
5:45pm – Prayer Meeting
6:30pm – Bible Class, Mixed Choir
7:00pm – Men’s Chorus
7:30pm – Sonshine Singers, Mass Choir, High School Youth Group Bridge Dinner
- Apr 5** Middle Schoolers to Lake Waubesa Camp
- Apr 6** Middle Schoolers at Lake Waubesa Camp
8:00am – Acts 2 Crew Clean-up
- Apr 7** Middle Schoolers return from Lake Waubesa Camp
8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Doug, Men’s Chorus, WOW
10:45am – Sunday School
7:00pm – Men’s Chorus Program

Youth News

Middle School – Tonight we're talking about living a Holy life. What is holiness? After the lesson we'll split into guys and girls groups to talk through some questions written by you for our coaches! See you at 6 for Jr Choir and 6:45 for youth group!

High School – We loved Wednesday's discussion so much that we're making it a 2-part series! Come back with more questions for our girls and guys groups! See you at 7:30!

Opportunities to Get Involved

Ongoing Opportunities to Serve – We're always looking for people to serve/help in the following areas in church: ushers, making bars/cookies, children's message volunteers, or soda donations for youth group. To volunteer or for more details, please talk with any staff member.

Community Table – We will be serving lunch at the Community Table on Fri., March 29th. If you are willing to donate food, please sign-up on the sheet on the information desk.

Easter Meal – Our church along with First Reformed and Trinity Reformed will be hosting a free Easter supper on April 21st from 5-6:30pm at the Union. There are sign-up sheets on the information desk listing all the ways you can help, either by bringing a food item, helping set up, serve, etc. We would also like you to sit and enjoy this meal with the members of our community and get to know them. This is an opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

Bulletin Board News

Thinking about joining church? – Read over the Discovering Membership packet (found at the info desk or on our website) then join Pastor Kevin & Stephanie at their home for brunch on Sun., **March 24th or May 19th** at **12pm** following Sunday school. RSVP to Pastor Kevin or Megan.

Calendar – Please have any updates/change to the April calendar to Megan by Tuesday.

AMEN – Articles are due next Sunday, March 31st.

Mass Choir Practices – All of the choirs will be practicing together for Easter. The schedule is as follows: April 3rd at 7:30-7:45pm, April 10th at 7:00-7:30pm, April 17th at 7:00-7:30pm.

ARC Men's Chorus Program – You're invited to the Men's Chorus Program on Sunday, April 7th at 7pm here at church.

Trees Along the Cemetery – Due to the extensive damage from the tornado to the row of pine trees along the cemetery, a decision was made by the deacons and the cemetery board to take them down. The deacons have a plan in place to replace the trees with funds from the memorial fund. All the equipment and labor were donated to do the job.

Food Pantry Donations – During the month of March Women's Ministries is collecting non-perishable items for the Waupun & Brandon food pantries. Donations may be placed in the bins in the lobby.

Acts 2 Crew – Acts 2 Crew will be helping with spring clean-up on Saturday, April 6th. If you'd like work done, please contact Brian Tenpas or Paul Bruins.

AFD Pork Chop Dinner – Please join the Alto Volunteer Fire Department on Saturday, April 6th for the 28th Annual Pork Chop Dinner. The dinner will take place from 4:30-7:30pm at the Alto Community Center. Tickets are \$10 dollars prior to the event or \$12 at the door. Carry-outs are available as well. Tickets can be purchased from any Alto Fireman or at the Alto Service Garage. Megan also has tickets available in her office.

RightNow Media – Check out our huge video library of devotionals, bible studies, and kids shows by texting RIGHTNOW ALTO to 41411.

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

Prayer Concerns since March 17th

*Concerns submitted since last week

1. Pray that we would be listening for God to speak by the Holy Spirit to reveal Himself, His purposes, and His ways.
2. *Pray for Kelsey, a friend of Joyce Van Buren's. She is expecting her 1st baby and just found out she has thyroid cancer.
3. *Pray for Bruce Vande Zande (Val's husband). He was mauled by a bull earlier this week.
4. Pray for discernment for the RCA's Vision 2020 Task Force in discerning a path forward for the RCA. Pray for the Alto 2020 Task Force to discern a path forward and to speak into the RCA.
5. Pray for the farmers and the stresses they face.
6. Pray for the prayer requests in the silent prayer box.
7. Pray for those battling addictions, anxieties, worries and stress and for God to sustain and deliver them.
8. Pray for marriages to be strengthened.
9. Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery or illness: Joel Bruins, Elaine Daane, Chera Duvall, Andy Glewen, Laurie Greenfield, Annice Hopp, Pearl Johnson, Donna Kastein, Sue Medema, Jerry Mouw, Deb Navis, Jim Parrish, Dave Rumley, Sylvia Schouten, Carl VanderKooi, Jan VerHage, and Silas Willey.
10. Members in assisted living, nursing homes or those confined to their home:
Anchor Communities (Brandon): Dale Kastein. **Anchor Community (Fox Lake):** Doris Daane. **Barrett House:** Lowell Glewen. **Christian Home:** Gladys Kastein, Eleanor Loomans, Katherine Prange, Helen Straks, Mike Vande Zande, Warren & Kay Vande Zande. **Evergreen:** Glen & Sharon Loomans. **Home:** Mary Marquardt, Dayton Ter Beest. **The Homestead:** Sylvia Schouten. **Maple Crest Assisted Living:** Carol De Groot. **Maple Meadows:** Arlene Henning. **Marvin's Manor:** Junice Vande Zande. **The Meadows Assisted Living:** Donna Kastein. **Spring Lake Apartments:** Jessie Klumpers.
11. Pray for: Aaron Zeatlow stationed in Nevada; Sebastian Hoenisch stationed in Florida, grandson of Larry & Gloria Mulder; for the leaders of our country and the troops stationed overseas; Mitch Miller (former youth group student) Marine deployed to the Middle East.
12. Missionaries: Bob Abel – Remember Nhu, Steve & Amanda Bialy – Converge, Chris Briggs – CCCD, Erika – Eurasia, Jersey Hoffner – Overland Missions, Randy & Wanda Potratz – SIM, Scott Ritzema – Youth for Christ