

May 14, 2023



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Welcome & Announcements

Praise Singing

“My Lighthouse”

“Whom Shall I Fear”

“Oceans”

Mother’s Day Tribute

Children’s Message

Prayer Requests & Praises

Baptisms – Anna, Ruby, Lily & Rosy Hibicki

Covenant Partnerships – Anna, Ruby & Lily Hibicki

Where Is God Working?

Special Music – Elyssa Van Wyk

“It’s Not Time”

Wyatt’s Testimony

Senior Recognition

Special Music – Adrea Daane & Jessa Ter Beest

“The Blessing”

Blessing

Meet Anna, Ruby, Lily and Rose Hibicki!

Anna (16), Ruby (14), Lily (12), and Rose (10) are the four oldest kids of Matthew and Becky. All four attend CWC in Waupun. •Anna accepted Christ when she was very young as her parents helped her to understand salvation. For a long time she did not have a strong relationship with Jesus, but has recommitted her life to Jesus and is now actively walking with Him. She enjoys reading the Bible, coming to church, participating in youth group and singing on the Youth Praise team. •Ruby accepted Jesus as her Savior years ago after her dad shared the gospel because she was sad over a pet rabbit dying. Youth group and Sunday school are helping her grow in her faith. •Lily decided to follow Jesus after watching Alto’s Easter service online in 2022. She said, “I have more joy in my life now.” She enjoys the ministries of Alto as they are helping her grow in faith. •Rose, better known as Rosy, accepted Jesus with Lily after the Easter service. She said, “I want to live my life every day to become more like Jesus.” Rejoice with this family in how God is working!

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.

Upcoming Events

- May 14** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
 9:30am – Youth Service
 11:00am – Hibicki Baptisms at Tenpas Pond
 6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group
- May 16** 8:00am – Prayer Meeting
- May 17** 7:30pm – High School Youth Group
- May 21** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
 9:30am – Pastor Doug, Mixed Choir
 10:45am – Equipping Adults Team Meeting

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

Youth News

Middle School – It's our last night of youth group til summer! Come for games and a bonfire if the weather cooperates! See you at 6:30!

High School – Wednesday is our Summer Send-off! We're playing Auto Hide and Seek so start thinking of good places in Waupun to hide! See you in the youth room at 7:30!

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: 5/14 Regular Benevolence, 5/21 Waupun & Brandon Food Pantry, 5/28 Mighty Oaks Foundation, 6/4 Missionary Salary. 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 Marion Tolsma as she celebrates her 93rd birthday on May 20th.

Lemonade Stand – ARC 4K will be holding a lemonade stand in the church parking lot on Wednesday, May 17th. Stop by from 10:30-11:45am to be served a delicious treat by the best little lemonade makers in town! All proceeds will be donated to the Waupun Animal Shelter so please stop by to help us raise money for this great cause!

Farewell to the Shotsky's – Join us following the service on May 28th for refreshments in the Fellowship Area of the basement to wish the Shotsky's well in this next season of life.

2022 Statistics & Financial Report – The report is available at the Information Center.

Opportunities to Get Involved

VBS Registration – VBS registration is open! Put on the full armor of God and learn how to be a part of God's kingdom. Sign your child up to join us for Keepers of the Kingdom VBS June 19-23 at 9-11:30am. Register your 3 year olds - 5th graders by May 23rd at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSctqK_AFvQyfk3x2IZZBzn7P64RAzFmBstNj0tqM7PibK4rwg/viewform

Volunteer signups (incoming 6th – adult) and snack donation signups are available at the Children & Families Resource Center.

Women's Bible Study – Join us for a study on Colossians Thursdays at 9:30am this summer on the church hill. Feel free to bring your kiddos to play on the playground while we meet. Dates will be June 1st, 8th, 15th, July 13th, 27th, and August 3rd. This study is designed where you can miss a week and not be lost. Sign-up at the Information Center by May 23rd. Book cost will be \$10.

Post-High Dodgeball and Kickball Night – Sunday, May 21st at 6pm. Cookout and ice cream at the Alto Community Center!

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

Praise: We give thanks to you, oh God, for revealing your love and compassion in mothers. Today, we celebrate the gift of mothers and those who have loved and guided us as mothers. We praise you for the youth who are choosing to follow you and serve your purposes in the church. We rejoice in how you are working in them and through them!

Repent: Gracious Father, forgive us for expecting mothers to sacrifice and meet our needs, when we should be helping and sacrificing too. Forgive us, as well, for failing to understand the challenges our youth are facing and wanting them to adapt to our ways.

Ask: Holy Spirit, we ask that you...

- Bless mothers around the world and help them reflect your love and wisdom.
- Bless our youth with wisdom and courage to follow you and give their lives your mission.
- Give wisdom to the Exec Team and Consistory as they look into future staffing options.
- Give peace to the Shotsky's as they prepare to move to Michigan.
- Bring peace to war-torn nations and strengthen the oppressed.
- Bring healing, strength and peace to those listed below as they face challenges each day. Renew their hearts, minds, and bodies to continue to live faithfully in this world.

Yield: Mighty Savior, I will maintain a life of prayer, study your Word, participate in the Lord's supper, gather with believers regularly, use my spiritual gifts and financial resources to further the mission of Jesus through the local church, live a life pleasing to you and accept the spiritual guidance of the church leadership.

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, Connie Wiersema, 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
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, Andy Lickel – InterVarsity, Jersey & Preston Sheldon – Overland Missions, Randy & Wanda Potratz – SIM, Scott Ritzema – Youth for Christ