

**November 13, 2022**

It Starts at Home   
Learn to Confidently Teach Your Kids About God

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## **We Approach God**

Welcome & Announcements

Covenant Partnership – Matthew & Becky Hibicki

Praise Singing

“Build Your Kingdom”

“Jesus Messiah”

“Hymn of Heaven”

Congregational Prayer

## **We Hear God’s Word**

Children’s Message – Beth Ann Redeker

Message – Truth & Discipleship

Scripture – Deuteronomy 6:1-25

## **We Respond to God**

Prayer

Jr Choir – “Love the Lord”

Benediction



### **Meet the Hibicki Family!**

Matthew and Becky have seven children; Anna (15), Ruby (13), Lily (11), Rose (9), Sadie (8), Will, (6) and Dixie (4). They farm just north of Ripon. Matthew also works as a Postal Carrier and Becky works at the Farm Bureau. The kids attend CWC in Waupun. Matthew accepted Jesus as his Lord and Savior when he was 12 through an AWANA program but was not active in his faith for several years. God used a farming accident where he lost his hand, to draw him closer in his faith. Becky accepted Christ right after they were married as the pastor explained how to trust and follow Jesus. They began watching services online in 2020 and with the invitations of Reuben Hopp began to attend services regularly this fall.

Becky shared “our good family friend Reuben Hopp was instrumental in helping our family recommit to following Jesus and commit to raising our children in the faith.”

*Family Memory Work for November 16<sup>th</sup>*

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. – Hebrews 13:8



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## **Sermon Notes: Truth & Discipleship**

### **Key Scriptures: Deuteronomy 6:1-25**

#### **Truth**

“Truth is what is real.” And we can know what is real based on what God has said.

- Foundation Worldview

#### **Discipleship**

By definition, a disciple is a follower, one who accepts and assists in spreading the doctrines of another. A Christian disciple is a person who follows Jesus Christ and accepts and assists in the spreading of the good news of salvation through Him.

- GotQuestions.org

#### **How To Make Disciples (Deuteronomy 6:7-9)**

1. Teach Diligently
2. Speak Consistently
3. Plan Intentionally
4. Be Committed Personally
5. Surround Yourself with Reminders

#### ***Application***

1. Seek to understand God’s Truth. Do personal study and/or family devotions. Discipleship can only be an outflow of the input. Watch your life and doctrine closely.
2. Talk about it. Talk about God. Talk about the Bible. Talk about Truth.
3. Prioritize it. You can’t leave it up to others to make it a priority for you.
4. Put reminders all around you. Put scripture in your house, in your barn, in your car, or wherever you’ll see it often.

## *Upcoming Events*

- Nov 13**      8:30am – Prayer Meeting  
                  9:30am – Pastor Doug, Jr Choir  
                  10:45am – Congregational Meeting  
                  5:30pm – Jr High Praise Band  
                  6:30pm – Middle School
- Nov 14**      7:00pm – Men’s Bible Study
- Nov 15**      8:00am – Prayer Meeting  
                  9:30am – Women’s Bible Study
- Nov 16**      9:30am – Golden Lifers  
                  6:00pm – Intermediate Praise Team  
                  6:20pm – Sonshine Singers, Jr Choir  
                  6:30pm – Mixed Choir  
                  6:40pm – Women’s Prayer Meeting  
                  6:45pm – Bible Class  
                  7:30pm – Men’s Chorus, High School Youth Group
- Nov 20**      8:30am – Prayer Meeting  
                  9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Mixed Choir, Communion  
                  10:45am – Sunday School  
                  6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group

To view the church calendar, go to [www.altoreformedchurch.org](http://www.altoreformedchurch.org)

### **Communion Statement:**

Regarding whom may and should participate in Communion... “We welcome all those who are displeased with themselves because of their sins, but who nevertheless trust that their sins are pardoned and that their remaining weakness is covered by the suffering and death of Christ, and who also desire more and more to strengthen their faith and to lead a better life. Hypocrites and those who are unrepentant, however, eat and drink judgment on themselves.” (Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 81; 1 Cor. 10:19-22; 11:26-32)

Paul challenges believers to participate in communion in a manner that is sincere and authentic. He writes to the church in Corinth...

*“Eat the bread or drink the cup of the Lord in the right way. Don’t do it in a way that isn’t worthy of him. If you do, you will be guilty. You’ll be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Everyone should take a careful look at themselves before they eat the bread and drink from the cup.” (1 Corinthians 11:27-28 NIRV)*

So, we welcome any who are trusting in Jesus for the forgiveness of sins to participate in the Lord’s supper. If your child understands the above statement, they too are welcome to the table. As well, we want to urge those who trust Jesus to join with us in ministry as Covenant Partners.

## *Congregational Meeting*

The annual congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> immediately following the service. All Covenant Partners are asked to attend the meeting. Activities will be available for children in the basement. Teens are asked to help with the younger children.

The following people will be on the ballot for Elder and Deacon:

Elder: Bill Bruins, Mike Dobbratz, Al Kamphuis, Darryl Navis, Joel Ruis, and Mark Vossekuij

Deacon: Dan Bresser, Jason De Jager, Eli Glewen, Brant McDowell, Ryan Vande Zande, and Marcus Vossekuij

Covenant Partners are asked to vote for 3 in each category. Please prayerfully consider who you will vote for.

Absentee ballots are available at the Information Center and may be placed in the absentee ballot box, signed and in an envelope prior to the meeting. Absentee ballots are not to be used simply as a matter of convenience.

## *Youth News*

**Middle School** – Tonight is our Food Pantry Hunt! Some of the items needed are: Chunky soups, boxes of cereal, spaghetti sauce, hamburger helper, juice, etc. Start talking to your family and friends to get some donations ready to be picked up tonight! We do this as a competition between each car in order to bring in as many donations as possible!

**High School** – Our Thanksgiving Hunt for the Waupun, Brandon, and Fox Lake Food Pantries is this Wednesday! We're looking to collect **130 turkeys** this year and all the Thanksgiving fixings (except pumpkin)! If you've got donations, let a coach or student know or drop them off at church - just make sure we know where you're dropping stuff off.

## *Opportunities to Get Involved*

**Sunday School** – Sunday school is available for everyone 3 years old – adult. Preschoolers should meet in the Sunbeamers room. K-5<sup>th</sup> grade should go to the basement for their snack (do not take a snack from upstairs) and singing and then break off into their classrooms. 6<sup>th</sup>-High School should meet in their classrooms. Young Adults (18-25) can meet in the prayer room. Adults can meet in the sanctuary for sermon discussion or in the consistory room for Sunday School Guide.

**Salvation Army Bell Ringing** – We are looking for bell ringers for Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at Dunkin Donuts and Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at Piggly Wiggly in Waupun. Please sign-up at the Information Center or contact Darryl Navis for more details. Seating is available.

## *Bulletin Board News*

**Offering** may be placed in one of the three white offering boxes located in the lobby. Upcoming benevolent schedule: 11/13 Missionary Salary, 11/20 Regular Benevolence, 11/23 Bread for the World, 11/27 Holiday Help. If you feel led to give specifically towards the upcoming ceiling project, please put your check in a separate marked envelope in one of the offering boxes. The

deacons are beginning to keep track separately of what has been contributed towards the project, which will be shown on the monthly financial reports. Thank you.

**Congrats** to Karen Stelsel as she celebrates her 81<sup>st</sup> birthday on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Congrats** to Reuben & Betty Hopp as they celebrate their 54<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Nov 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Book Sale** – Looking for a new devotion, a fun kids activity book, a prayer journal, or just not sure what to get for Christmas gifts this year? We are having a book sale sponsored by Reach Out. Books will be available for purchase in the lobby November 13<sup>th</sup> through November 20<sup>th</sup> and you'll be able to take them home the same day. A percentage of the proceeds will come back to our benevolent fund. Any questions, please contact Lynnae.

**Advent Resources** – There are Advent activity bags available at the Children & Families Resource Center to use during the Advent season. The bags contain a calendar of simple activities to do through Christmas as well as some of the materials needed. These bags are perfect for families with kids elementary age or younger. Please take one bag per family.

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

Teacher, we rejoice that you came to us as the truth, revealing the wisdom of God in your life and words. We rejoice that Your Spirit now lives in us, opens our eyes to see, and guides us into all truth. Forgive us for failing to learn and speak your truth, especially to our children. Help us dig into your Word that we have much wisdom to teach our children and protect them from Satan's deception. We surrender our lives to you and commit ourselves to praying for and with our children, teaching them the Gospel which gives us hope, and guiding them in living rightly according to your Word.

**THIS WEEK...** Pray for Miley Ter Beest as he recovers from knee replacement surgery. Pray for Helen Straks as she is on hospice care at the Fond du Lac hospice home.

**Healing:** Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery/illness, etc.: Betty Daane, Cal Flegner, Barbara Gordon, Alvin Harmsen, Doris Harmsen, Sharon Harmsen, Faye Janey, Rich Kamhuis, Larry Mulder, Jim Parrish, Dave Rumley, Jean Stelsel, Jodi Vande Berg, Carl Vanderkooi, Jake Vande Zande, Ron Vande Zande, and Silas Willey.

### **Military Personnel:**

Aaron Zeatlow, stationed in New Mexico;  
Sebastian Hoenisch, deployed on an aircraft carrier in the Pacific, grandson of Larry & Gloria Mulder;  
Mitch Miller, stationed in the South China Sea

**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:** Betty Bruins, Sharon Harmsen, Dayton TerBeest, Junice Vande Zande, Kay Vande Zande **Home:** Margaret Hoekstra **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