

November 27, 2022

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

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We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements

Advent Reading – Hope

Praise Singing

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

“Hark the Herald Medley”

“It Came Upon the Midnight Clear” Hymn #134

Congregational Prayer

Sonshine Singers – “My Jesus”

We Hear God’s Word

Children’s Message – Abby Plum

Message – It Starts at Home: Refining Arrows

Scripture – Proverbs 13:24 and Hebrews 12:5-11

We Respond to God

Prayer

Benediction

“Away in a Manger” Hymn #128 vs 3

Family Memory Work for November 30th

Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from telling lies. – Psalm 34:13

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IT STARTS AT HOME: REFINING ARROWS

Proverbs 13:24 & Hebrews 12:5–11

KEYS TO EFFECTIVE DISCIPLINE:

1. Clear _____ of Behavior
2. Creative Contextual _____
3. Compassionate _____

APPLICATION:

1. Discuss and agree on expectations.
2. Determine effective consequences.
3. Devote yourself to never disciplining out of anger.

PRACTICAL NEXT STEP WHEN NOTHING SEEMS TO WORK:

Remember, you can't change their _____, so _____.

FAMILY DISCUSSION:

1. What expectations do we have of each other? How should they change?
2. What consequences do we have for breaking expectations? How should they change?
3. Do you believe discipline is an act of love? Why or why not?
4. Pray together asking God to help all of you to become more like Christ.

Upcoming Events

- Nov 27** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Kevin, 1st Sunday of Advent, Sunshine Singers
10:45am – Sunday School
5:30pm – Jr High Praise Band
6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group
- Nov 28** 6:00pm – Women’s Ministry Team Meeting
7:00pm – Deacon Meeting, Men’s Bible Study
- Nov 29** 8:00pm – Prayer Meeting
- Nov 30** 9:30am – Golden Lifers
5:15pm – 5th Grade Christmas Program Practice
5:30pm – Hospitality Team Meeting
6:20pm – Sunshine Singers, Jr Choir
6:30pm – Mixed Choir
6:45pm – Bible Class
7:30pm – Men’s Chorus, High School Youth Group
- Dec 4** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Doug, 2nd Sunday of Advent, Men’s Chorus
10:45am – Sunday School
5:30pm – Jr High Praise Band
6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group

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

Youth News

Middle School – Tonight we’re going to hear some awesome stories of God’s faithfulness from Burt Wiersema. You won’t want to miss this! See you at 6:30pm.

High School – Wednesday is Q&A Night! Write your tough questions and put them in the jar in the youth room or send them in the google form! See you at 7:30!

Don't forget to sign up for Salvation Army Bell Ringing Dec 3 and 10! Links for sign ups can be found in your email or texts.

Opportunities to Get Involved

Sunday School – Sunday school is available for everyone 3 years old – adult. Preschoolers should meet in the Sunbeamers room. K-5th 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. 6th-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 2nd at Dunkin Donuts and Friday, December 9th at Piggly Wiggly in Waupun. Please sign-up at the Information Center or contact Darryl Navis for more details. Seating is available.

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. Greeter, Media Delivery, Nursery, Parking Assistance, Sound Tech, Video Tech.

Bulletin Board News

Offering may be placed in one of the three white offering boxes located in the lobby. Upcoming benevolent schedule: 11/27 Holiday Help, 12/4 Missionary Salary, 12/11 Christian Home Chaplain, 12/18 WNBC/KLUV Christian Radio. 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.

Newly Elected Consistory Members – The following people were elected at the congregational meeting. Elder: Bill Bruins, Mike Dobbratz, and Darryl Navis. Deacon: Eli Glewen, Brant McDowell, and Ryan Vande Zande.

Congrats to Jim Stelsel as he celebrates his 84th birthday on December 1st.

Congrats to Alvin Harmsen as he celebrates his 85th birthday on December 2nd.

AMEN articles are due today.

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 through November 27th 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.

Cookie/Bar Donations – We are asking for donations of cookies and bars for Caroling, Christmas in Alto, and the Sunday School Christmas Program. Please check the Information Center for the signup forms and more details.

Winter Gear – The elementary schools in Waupun are looking for donations of new or gently used girls and boys boots (size 12-3), snowpants (size 5T-10), mittens, gloves, girls leggings and boys joggers (size 4-10). Donations may be dropped off in the office at Meadowview Primary or Rock River Intermediate School.

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

PRAYER: Almighty Father, thank you for showing your love in sending Jesus Christ to for our failure to uphold your expectations. We are grateful that he took our consequences and showed us grace when we deserved punishment. Forgive us for failing to love other, especially our children, as you loved us with grace and gentle guidance. Help us trust in you as we face trials and to receive them as your loving discipline pointing back to you. Mold us and our children to be like Jesus in every way. Do not let us lower the bar of morality that we look like the world, but help us uphold your commands and set an example for the world. We will do better in bringing love and discipline into our family.

THIS WEEK... Pray for healing for Dylan & Isabel Kastein.

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, 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, Marion Tolsma, Marilyn Westerveld,
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