

October 16, 2022



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We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements

Mixed Choir – “One Day”

Praise Singing

“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” Hymn #440 vs 1, 2, & 4

“King of Kings”

“Draw Me Close”

Congregational Prayer

We Hear God’s Word

Children’s Message – Linda Mulder

Message – Your Faith Journey

Scripture – Matthew 6:24-34

We Respond to God

Prayer

“Oceans”

Pastor Appreciation

Benediction

Family Memory Work for October 19th

Go into all the world and preach the good news to everyone. – Mark 16:15

Hope LIVES HERE

Sermon Notes: Your. Faith. Journey.

Key Scriptures: Matthew 6:24-34

Your.

Philippians 2:12-13 - 12 Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, 13 for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure. (ESV)

Galatians 6:4-5 - 4 Pay careful attention to your own work, for then you will get the satisfaction of a job well done, and you won't need to compare yourself to anyone else. 5 For we are each responsible for our own conduct. (NLT)

Faith.

Hebrews 11:1-3 - Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. 2 For by it the people of old received their commendation. 3 By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

Journey.

John 16:12-14 - 12 "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. 14 He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Application

1. Take some time this week to write out a list of your spiritual markers. These are significant ways God has worked your life to mold you and direct you. We can often get a clearer picture of who we are and where we're going when we remember how God has created us and where we've been.
2. Take the next step of obedience. Remember, God often doesn't reveal to us the whole picture; only one step at a time.

Upcoming Events

- Oct 16** Middle Schoolers return from Silver Birch
8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Doug, Mixed Choir
10:45am – Sunday School
6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group
- Oct 17** 6:00pm – Women’s Ministry Team Meeting
7:00pm – High School Praise Band
- Oct 18** 8:00am – Prayer Meeting
- Oct 19** 9:30am – Golden Lifers
6:00pm – Intermediate Praise Team Meeting
6:20pm – Sonshine Singers, NO Jr Choir
6:30pm – Mixed Choir
6:45pm – Bible Class
7:30pm – High School Youth Group, Men’s Chorus
- Oct 20** 6:30pm – Equipping Adults Team Meeting
- Oct 21** 6:30pm – Ladies’ Bunco Night
- Oct 23** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Covenant Partnership – Libbi Campbell & Chas Glewen,
Sonshine Singers
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 – No youth group tonight! Catch up on sleep from Silver Birch Retreat!

High School – Wednesday is question and answer night! You’ve asked some great questions - come hear your coaches’ answers. 7:30-9pm.

No 8th/High School Bible Study on Monday night.

High School praise band practice 7-8pm Monday.

No Jr Choir practice on Wednesday night.

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.

OCC Packing – Information for packing boxes and donation needs for Operation Christmas Child are located in your mailboxes and at the Children & Families Resource Center. We'll be having our annual packing party on November 2nd at 5:30-7:30pm. We hope you'll join us. If you decide to pack your own box at home, they are due by November 13th and shipping costs should be placed in the shipping donations box. Any questions, contact Lynnae.

Hymn Sing – Join us Sunday, October 30th at 3pm for a hymn sing. Bring your requests and join us as we worship in song. We will be taking an offering for REACH Waupun.

Bulletin Board News

Offering may be placed in one of the three white offering boxes located in the lobby. Upcoming benevolent schedule: 10/16 Missionary Salary, 10/23 Christian Home Chaplain, 10/30 Words of Hope, 11/6 Camp Manitoqua.

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 Don DeMotts as he celebrates his 80th birthday on October 20th.

Congrats to Vern Schouten as he celebrates his 81st birthday on October 21st.

Snow Plowing Bids – We are accepting bids for snow plowing for the parking lot (excluding sidewalks). Bids can be turned in to the church office in a sealed envelope. Bids are due by October 31st.

Food Pantry Donations – Women's Ministry is collecting items for the Brandon & Waupun Food Pantries during the month of October. Requested items include spaghetti sauce, cereal, cream soups, jelly, baked beans, chicken noodle soup, and granola bars. Donations may be placed in the tote under the church mailboxes.

You are invited to a Voice of the Martyrs virtual event called "Imprisoned for Christ" on Sunday, October 30th from 3-6pm in Waupun. We will hear from three inspiring speakers from different restricted nations dominated by Islam, each was arrested, interrogated and imprisoned. While all three struggled to find God's purpose in their suffering, they ultimately recognized His faithfulness and love amid desperate circumstances. In addition to their firsthand testimonies, you will enjoy an engaging panel discussion moderated by VOM Radio host Todd Nettleton as well as inspiring worship music from Dove Award-winning artist Natalie Grant. Refreshments will be provided. This event is being hosted at no cost to you at First Christian Reformed Church at 20 Bly Street in Waupun. Be sure to mark your calendars today and plan to join us October 30. If you have any questions, contact Mike Vander Berg (mvb2serve@gmail.com).

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

Praise: Almighty God, we rejoice that you have made your purposes clear to us. In Jesus, you have shown us how to live and why we live. We rejoice in the love he showed us in dying on the cross and then calling us to show that love to the world. Thank you for your grace and purpose!

Repent: Forgive me for loving this world more than your mission. Forgive me for living for myself and ignoring the needs next door and around the world. Break my heart for the orphans and widows that I may show your love to them.

Ask: Change my heart, that I no longer live in fear and self-centeredness. Give me a passion for the broken and afflicted in my community and around the world. Help us encourage and support our missionaries and military as they seek to help and protect the oppressed. We ask for healing, strength and peace for those listed below as they face challenges each day. Renew their hearts, minds, and bodies to continue to live faithfully in this world.

Yield: I will care for others more than myself. 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.

THIS WEEK... Pray for healing for Faye Janey.

Healing: Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery or illness: Ashley Bruins, Betty Daane, Alvin Harmsen, Sharon Harmsen, Faye Janey, Rich Kamphuis, Larry Mulder, Jim Parrish, Dave Rumley, Jean Stelsel, Carl VanderKooi, Jake Vande Zande, Ron Vande Zande, and Silas Willey.

Military Personnel:

Aaron Zeatlow, stationed in New Mexico; Sebastian Hoenisch, stationed in the San Diego, 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, Helen Straks, 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