

October 24, 2021



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We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Appreciation

Sonshine Singers – “House of the Lord”

Praise Singing

“All Creatures of Our God and King” Hymn 61 vs 1 & 4

“Even So Come”

“Build My Life”

Congregational Prayer

We Hear God’s Word

Children’s Message – Travis Hull

Message – Tough Questions: War Within, Healing, & Demons

Scripture – 1 Peter 3:15-16

We Respond to God

Prayer

“Graves into Gardens”

Blessing

Memory Verse for October 27th

Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth.

Tough Questions:



Dog Gone, That's a Tough One

TOUGH QUESTION: War within, Healing, & Demons

SCRIPTURE: *Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, 16 keeping a clear conscience,... (1 Peter 3:15-16)*

1. Why does it feel I always have a war going on in my mind when I'm having my time with God?
2. Does God still heal? Are my words powerful?
3. Can demons be killed?
4. Why won't God heal me? Is it my lack of faith?
5. What is the history of the "We Preach Christ Crucified" on our church wall?

APPLICATION: Let's preach Christ crucified through our words and _____!

Upcoming Events

- Oct 24** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Kevin
10:45am – Sunday School, Women’s Bible Study – “Delighting in God’s Law”
6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group
- Oct 25** 6:30pm – Women’s Bible Study – “Finding I Am”
- Oct 26** 8:00am – Prayer Meeting
6:30pm – Outreach Team Meeting, Women’s Bible Study – “In His Image”
7:00pm – Equipping Children & Families Team Meeting
- Oct 27** 9:30am – Golden Lifers
6:00pm – Intermediate Praise Team
6:20pm – Sonshine Singers, Jr Choir
6:30pm – Mixed Choir
6:45pm – Bible Class, Women’s Bible Study – “Delighting in God’s Law”
7:00pm – High School Praise Team
7:30pm – Men’s Chorus, High School Youth Group
- Oct 28** 7:00pm – Men’s Ministry Team Meeting
- Oct 31** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
9:30am – Pastor Doug
10:45am – Sunday School, Women’s Bible Study – “Delighting in God’s Law”
5:30pm – Middle School/High School Praise Team
6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group

Congregational Meeting

The following people will be on the ballot for the Nov. 14th Congregational Meeting:

Elder: Dewey Bille, Jerry Medema, Darryl Navis, Miley Ter Beest, and Mark Vossekuil.

Deacon: Dan Bresser, Tom Bruins, Andy Derksen, Ben Leonard, and Randy McDaniel.

You 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.

Youth News

Middle School – Tonight we’re talking about Rahab’s story. How can God redeem a life that seems so far from Him? See you tonight at 6:30!

High School – Have you ever done something you thought God wouldn’t forgive? Have you ever felt stuck in sin? On Wednesday we’ll be talking about Rahab and how God can redeem us from our failures and bad choices and restore us to a better future with Him. See you at 7:30!

Operation Christmas Child shopping night has moved to Monday November 1st, 6-8pm. If you’d like to go shopping with us, let me know this week so I can find enough drivers!

Bulletin Board News

Offering may be placed in one of the three white offering boxes located in the lobby. Upcoming benevolent schedule: 10/24 Christian Home Chaplain, 10/31 Words of Hope, 11/7 Camp Manitoqua, 11/14 Missionary Salary.

CCCD Van Fund – We are collecting donations for a new van for the Caribbean Christian Centre for the Deaf. The goal is to collect a total of \$20,000. Donations should be labeled CCCD van fund (on the envelope or check memo) and may be placed in the offering boxes in the lobby.

Congrats to Warren & Kay Vande Zande as they observe their 63rd wedding anniversary today.

AMEN articles are due next Sunday, October 31st.

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 November 1st.

Opportunities to Get Involved

OCC Packing – Information for packing boxes and donation items 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 3rd at 5:30-7:30pm. We hope you'll join us. There are donation opportunities posted on the Children & Families Resource bulletin board. All donations are due by October 31st. If you decide to pack your own box at home, they are due by November 7th and shipping costs should be placed in the shipping donations box. Any questions contact Adrea.

Volunteer opportunity! Our foster care ministry is looking for 2 more volunteers to serve a foster family in Waupun: One person is needed to bring a meal once a month, and one person/couple is needed to offer childcare 1-2 times a month. Please prayerfully consider supporting a local foster family! Contact Benita Ter Beest for more information.

Advent Craft Night - Join us for an advent craft night on Friday, November 5th at 6:30pm. Moms and Grandmas, bring your kids and grandkids, and join in creating a Jesse Tree advent calendar. We will be making the ornaments that symbolize each story. On each day of Advent, a scripture story is told while using the ornament as a visual, starting with the creation of the world and ending with the birth of Jesus. Start this year and make it a family tradition. Sign-up at the Information Center or email Megan by October 26th. Cost is \$10.

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

Praise: Today, heavenly Father, we celebrate that you have power to heal and authority over every evil spirit. We praise you for the healing we have seen in the past and we thank you for protecting us from the evil one.

Repent: Forgive us for trusting in our own strength and thinking we do not need you to heal our bodies or to protect us from evil. Forgive us for not calling on you in our times of need and not praying for others when they most need you.

Ask: Help us boldly pray for your power to be manifest in our lives.

- We ask for faith, healing, strength and peace for those listed below as they face challenges each day.
- We pray for Friesland, Brandon, First-Waupun and Emmanuel as they meet with the classis today.
- We pray for our classis to be truly generous and gracious in our transfer, particularly as they meet on Nov. 2.
- We pray that ARC will be able to move quickly and wisely in organizing.
- We pray that you would renew our passion for your mission and lead us forward.

Yield: Today, we commit ourselves to trusting in You as our only hope for healing and protection.

THIS WEEK... Pray for Collin Bille as he has RSV and pneumonia. Pray for healing for those with covid.

Healing: Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery or illness: Ashley Bruins, Josie Buiters, Dusty Deming, Paul Elenius, Alvin Harmsen, Sharon Harmsen, Annice Hopp, Jim Parrish, Dave Rumley, Jessica Schultz, Azryah Ter Beest, Carl VanderKooi, Jake 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, (former youth group student) Marine deployed to the Middle East

Shut-ins: Members in assisted living, nursing homes or those confined to their home: **Anchor Communities (Brandon):** Dale Kastein **Barrett House:** Lowell Glewen **Charleston House:** Cora Hemp **Christian Home:** Sharon Harmsen, Helen Straks, Junice Vande Zande, Kay Vande Zande **Christian Homestead:** Warren Vande Zande **Evergreen:** Glen Loomans **Hillside Manor:** Harvey Daane **Home:** Margaret Hoekstra, Dayton Ter Beest **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, Mandy Kimes – His House Christian Fellowship, Andy Lickel – InterVarsity, Jersey & Preston Sheldon – Overland Missions, Randy & Wanda Potratz – SIM, Scott Ritzema – Youth for Christ