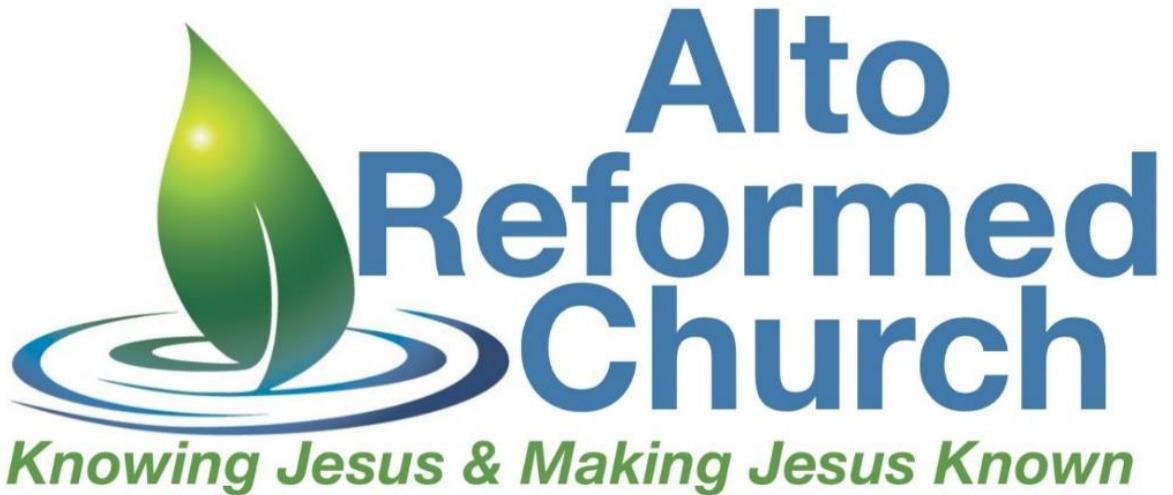


September 6, 2020



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## **We Approach God**

Welcome & Announcements

Praise Singing

“How Great Is Our God”

“Lord, I Need You”

“Just As I Am, Without One Plea” Hymn #497 vs. 1, 3, 4

Congregational Prayer

## **We Hear God’s Word**

Children’s Message

Message – Minor Prophets Major Message: Malachi

Scripture – Malachi

## **We Respond to God**

Prayer

“Amazing Grace” Hymn #429 vs. 1,2,4,5

Blessing

## *Upcoming Events*

- Sept 6** 9:30am – Pastor Kevin  
**Sept 7** Office Closed – Labor Day  
**Sept 8** 8:00am – Prayer Meeting  
7:00pm – Consistory Meeting  
**Sept 9** 6:30pm – Bible Class  
7:30pm – High School Youth Group  
**Sept 12** 6:00pm – Marriage Night  
**Sept 13** 9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Baptism, Elder/Deacon Nominations  
10:45am – Sunday School  
11:45am – Foster Care Awareness Event  
3:00pm – Task Force  
6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group  
**Sept 14** 7:00pm – Deacon Meeting  
**Sept 15** 8:00am – Prayer Meeting  
6:30pm – Women’s Ministry Meeting  
**Sept 16** 6:30pm – Bible Class  
7:30pm – High School Youth Group  
**Sept 18** 6:00pm – Fellowship Fire Fridays  
**Sept 20** 9:30am – Pastor Kevin, WOW  
10:45am – Sunday School  
6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group

## *Youth News*

### **Mark your calendars for Youth Group Kickoffs!**

High School - September 9, tailgating party with food and games

Middle School - September 13, Color Wars!

**Prayer Partners** – Sign up at the information desk if you’d like to be a prayer partner for a family of students this school year! Once you sign up, you’ll get a picture and info card in your mailbox of the family you’ll be praying for. Thank you for being such a vital part of the ministry!

**Soda/Water Bottle Donations** – If you would be willing to donate 2 cases of water bottles or 2-24 packs (or 4-12packs) of soda to youth group this year please sign up at the information desk. We really appreciate your donations and your support! Donations can be brought to the youth room Sunday mornings or Sunday or Wednesday nights before youth group.

## *Bulletin Board News*

**Offering** may be placed in one of the three white offering boxes located in the lobby.

**Congrats** to Burt & Connie Wiersema as they celebrate their 57<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

**College Addresses** – Parents of college students, please give Megan your child's college address, so we can send them care packages this year.

**Discipleship Essentials Signup** – We are starting a 25-week series (Yes 25 WEEKS!!!) this fall called *Discipleship Essentials* and a big part of what we're hoping that members of the church will consider getting involved in, is connecting with a Sunday school small-group to participate in this study with. We will likely be offering a group or two during the week as well, for those who teach or have other obligations during the Sunday school hour. Please sign-up at the information desk by September 7<sup>th</sup> if you'd like to get involved in a group or if you'd prefer to participate individually, please sign up to let us know that as well. We will contact you prior to September 13<sup>th</sup> (start of the series) to let you know where your group is meeting. The cost of the book is \$13. Payments can be given to Pastor Doug or Megan. If you cannot afford a book but would like to participate, just let us know! Any questions, contact Pastor Doug.

**Sample Nomination Ballots** – Prayerfully consider who you will nominate. We will be nominating in church on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Sample ballots are in your church mailbox. Absentee nominations must be placed by noon on Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup> via paper ballot or email to [office@altoreformedchurch.org](mailto:office@altoreformedchurch.org).

**Foster Care Awareness Event** – SIGN UP TODAY for the Foster Care Awareness Event being held next Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:45am in the youth room. We'll start with pizza, then watch a short video about a 9-year-old girl in foster care, and end with a panel discussion. Come and hear how God has worked in Cory and Shawna Starbird's foster care journey, and learn how you can show Christ's love in tangible ways to area foster children and families!

**Marriage Night** – Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 6-9:30pm for a live simulcast in the sanctuary. Cost: \$15/person, \$30/couple. A happy and healthy marriage doesn't just happen by accident. It takes work. Join us for RightNow Media's Marriage Night 2020, a night dedicated to focus on your marriage. Make your marriage a priority! We'll provide individually packaged snacks/drinks. Half of the registration fee will be used to support schools in providing masks to students/staff. Register at <https://events.rightnowmedia.org/attendee/site/2964> and invite your friends. Any questions, contact Pastor Doug.

**Accepting School Supply Donations** – Take advantage of the back to school deals and help us stock up on Operation Christmas Child supplies. We are looking for some more pens, pencils, pencil sharpeners, binder clips, crayons/colored pencils/markers, and erasers. Any items to donate can be placed in the tote by the Children & Families Area. Thanks!!

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

**Praise:** We praise you, Lord, for the healing you've brought thus far to those listed below. We rejoice in your power to heal and your compassion to see us through.

**Repent:** Lord, we confess that we take healing for granted and lack faith to pray boldly for miracles. Forgive us for doubting your power and love.

**Ask:** Father, give us a greater hunger for Your Word, a clearer vision for the future, and a stronger will to go wherever You lead. •May our community, nation and world find hope in Jesus as we obey Your call. •Grant us wisdom and discernment as the church evaluates affiliating with a new denomination. •Pour down Your peace, healing, and protection on teachers, parents, healthcare workers, and those listed below.

**Yield:** We surrender to Your plans and commit ourselves to obey Your Word each day. Amen.

**THIS WEEK...** Praise, Rollie Schroeder is home!

**Healing:** Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery or illness: Val Bille, Harlan Bossenbroek, Josie Buiters, Vance Elzinga, Lisa Flier, Sharon Harmsen, Ken Kamphuis, Bev Kowalski, Larry Mulder, Dave Rumley, Rollie Schroeder, Dale Schultz, Azyrah Ter Beest, Brysen Ter Beest, Marcella Vande Berg, Carl VanderKooi, Mark Vossekuij, and Silas Willey.

### **Military Personnel:**

Aaron Zeatlow, stationed in New Mexico;  
Sebastian Hoenisch, stationed in California, grandson of Larry & Gloria Mulder;  
Mitch Miller, (former youth group student) Marine deployed to the Middle East;  
Dan Bruins, deployed to the Middle East;  
Jim Hopp, a Marine stationed in Hawaii; and for the leaders of our country and the troops stationed overseas.

**Shut-ins:** Members in assisted living, nursing homes or those confined to their home: **Anchor Communities (Brandon):** Dale Kastein **Barrett House:** Lowell Glewen **Christian Home:** Gladys Kastein, Helen Straks, Junice Vande Zande, Warren & Kay Vande Zande **Evergreen:** Glen Loomans **Home:** Margaret Hoekstra, Dayton Ter Beest **Maple Meadows:** Arlene Henning **Marvin's Manor:** Eleanor Loomans **The Meadows:** Donna Kastein

**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