

Lent I
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
February 21, 2021

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

The Prelude

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

Rowland H. Prichard, arr. Chris Rice

WE APPROACH OUR GOD

The Welcome

*The Song of Praise

King of Kings

Brooke Ligertwood, Scott Ligertwood, Jason Ingram

*The Call to Worship

Leader 1: God said, "I will be your God."

People: God has promised. God remembers. God is faithful.

Leader 2: God said, "I will lead you in the paths of truth."

People: God has promised. God remembers. God is faithful.

Leader 1: God said, "I will forgive you."

People: God has promised. God remembers. God is faithful.

Leader 2: God said, "My kingdom is near."

People: God has promised. God remembers. God is faithful.

Leader 1: O Lord, send Your grace upon Your people gathered here, that we may follow Your ways of truth, and walk in the paths of steadfast love, proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*The Lenten Hymn

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

Claudia F. Hemaman, LAND OF REST
American folk melody, harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan

The Lenten Candle Lighting

Leader 1: During the season of Lent, the church travels with Jesus on the road to the cross. As we prepare to remember our Savior's betrayal, arrest, suffering, and death, we reflect on what things in our lives we may need to put to death so we can live in the newness of Jesus' resurrection and ascension.

Leader 2: We will mark the weeks of Lent by lighting candles in the sanctuary; these same candles will be extinguished on Maundy Thursday as we remember the crucifixion. May the light of Christ shine more deeply into our hearts as we walk this road with Him, revealing the darkness within us and making us new.

Leader 1: Hear these words from Hebrews 4:

Leader 2: Therefore, since we have a great High Priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are – yet He did not sin. Let us approach God's throne of grace with confidence so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.
(Light the first candle.)

Leader 1: Lord Jesus, as we walk with You through these forty days, let Your light shine into our hearts.

People: Brighten the darkness of our lives, and show us where we need to repent.

Leader 2: In our thoughts, words, and actions, teach us to rely on You.

People: Renew us as Your people, that we may carry Your light to the world.

The Song of Response

I Give You My Heart

Reuben Morgan

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

The Prayer for Illumination

The Scripture Lesson

Mark 1:9-15

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

The Message

"When Wild Animals Attack"

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GOODNESS
Remembrance (The Communion Song)

The Communion Song

Matt Maher, Matt Redman

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation

The Meaning of the Sacrament

*The Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

The Communion Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

The Sharing of the Bread and Cup

The Thanksgiving

There Is a Redeemer

Melody Green

*The News of the Church Alive

*The Benediction

*The Postlude

Gavotte

Samuel Wesley, ed. Diane Bish

*All who are able, please stand

Worship Leaders:

Preaching – Pastor Bud Pratt; Liturgists – Pastor Matt Cook, Becca Hollen; Organ – Beth Sweers; Praise Team

Please follow our church social media pages:

Instagram: frcgrandville

Facebook: First Reformed Church

Stewardship Update – February 21, 2021

Week of February 14

February 14 Collection Plate \$ 2,935.00

Online Giving: \$.00

Mail in Offering: \$ 16,436.00

Total Offering: \$ 19,371.00

February Total: \$ 50,202.00

February Goal: \$ 70,000.00

Outstanding Mortgage Balance \$106,000.00

Text to Give - 616-208-4301

Maple Tree Preschool Registration - Preschool registration for 2021-2022 has begun! If you know of a family looking for a preschool, please have them check out www.mapletreepreschool.org and [Maple Tree Preschool's Facebook page](#).

College Scholarships: Scholarship forms are available in the office or online. These are for anyone who is a member of church and going to college in Fall 2021. They are due in the office no later than **Friday, April 9, at noon**.

Mini Golf - On Saturday, February 27, the building will be turned into a miniature golf course for all to play. Beginning at noon, with social distancing and masks, we will enjoy the challenge of mini-golf in 15 minute intervals. All are welcome. The sign up link will come on Monday, February 22, for you to sign up your family for a starting time.

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH PRAYERS & CONCERNS

For prayer updates during the week, please call the **Prayer Line – 534-0113**

We extend Christian sympathy to:

- **Duane & Gail Frens and family, at the death of Duane's sister, Judy Visscher, on February 7.**

We extend prayers of healing & comfort for:

- **Jack Manders**, recovering from shoulder replacement surgery.
- **Chad Holleman**, having knee replacement surgery on February 25.
- **Gail Frens**, recovering from surgery.
- **Roger Tuinstra**, under the care of hospice at American House.

- **Glenn Zwart**, going through rehab following a stroke.
- Angie Walker's sister **Cheryl**, at home recovering from lung surgery.
- **Mike VanDuinen**, Jeff VanDuinen's father, recovering from surgery on a broken hip.
- Pray for anyone affected in any way by **the Corona virus**.
- **Continued prayers for: Leonora Smit, BJ Veneklasen, Don Alderink, Dorothy VanderLaan, Karin Dykstra, Emmett Hough, Chuck Duimstra, Roy DeJonge, Curt Stoel, Jakob Kempema, Kaitlin Kremers Lyons, Rikki Leanne DePuy, Dave Timmerman, Frances Davis.**

Please keep all our military troops in your prayers, especially:

- **Dustin Lambries, Jeremy Stegehuis, Jeff Shuck & Tony Shuck** (Betty Isenga's grandsons), **Edward Peter Tolhurst** (Pat Bird's nephew)

Please keep in your hearts and minds:

- Our **Family at Home members** – Eloise Anderson, Judy Baartman, Crystal Baum, Vern & Norma Boss, Bill & Helen Dertien, Arlene Jacobitz, Ev Lindhout, Pat Marcusse, Kay Mekkes, Dorothy VanderLaan, Evelyn Watson, Mary Zomerlei

FAH February birthdays:

Feb. 22 – Bill Dertien – Sunset Manor, Rm #208, 725 Baldwin, Jenison, 49428

Youth Mission Trip fundraiser:

Pop can drive - There will be a labeled trash can in the Youth Lounge all year for you to drop off your empty cans.

Maple Tree Preschool Fundraiser

Scholastic Book Orders:

Stock up on birthday and Christmas gifts for your grandchildren/children! When you order from Scholastic, it earns Maple Tree rewards including books, preschool toys, manipulatives and classroom supplies for free!

HOME DELIVERY: During the COVID-19 crisis, you can choose at checkout to have book orders shipped to Maple Tree Preschool or to your homes.

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Sign in or create an account.

Connect to Maple Tree Preschool by entering our Class Code: P63H2

Books are ordered monthly (September-April).