

**Epiphany V**  
February 7, 2021

**WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP**

The Prelude

*Chorale Prelude on "Lobe den Herren"*

Johann Gottfried Walther

**WE APPROACH OUR GOD**

The Welcome

\*The Hymn of Praise

***Praise, My Soul, the King of Heave***

Henry F. Lyte, John Goss LAUDA ANIMA

\*The Call to Worship

from Psalm 147:1

Leader 1: It is good to sing praises unto our God

Leader 2: for it is pleasant and a song of praise is fitting.

Leader 1: Join us today in worship as we sing to and praise our Lord and King.

\*The Song of Praise

***Everlasting God***

Benton Brown, Ken Riley

We Admit Our Shortcomings

Leader 2: Isaiah asks in Chapter 40:21, "Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the foundations of the earth?"

Leader 1: Isaiah goes on to tell us that God dooms those of this world who call themselves great and brings them all to ruin. They hardly get started, barely take root, when He blows on them, their works wither and the wind carries them off like straw.

Leader 2: We have heard, we have been told, we do know how great our God really is, but we still think we have all of the answers.

The Hymn of Response

***Be Still, My Soul***

Katharina A. von Schlegel, Jean Sibelius FINLANDIA

We Claim the Promises from God

Leader 1: Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

Leader 2: Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

\*The Song of Hope

***On Eagle's Wings***

Michael Joncas

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

The Prayer for Illumination

The Scripture Lessons

Isaiah 40:21-31, Psalm 137

The Message

**"Keeping the Faith"**

The Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GOODNESS**

\*The Song of Sending

***Way Maker***

Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu

\*The News of the Church Alive

\*The Benediction

\*The Postlude

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Ludwig van Beethoven, arr. Jeff Bennett

\*All who are able, please stand

**Worship Leaders:**

Preaching – Pastor Bud Pratt; Liturgists – The Diekman Family; Organ – Beth Sweers; Praise Team

**Please follow our church social media pages:**

Instagram: frcgrandville

Facebook: First Reformed Church

**Stewardship Update – January 31, 2021**

Collection Plate	\$ 8,580.00
Online Giving:	\$ 0,000.00
Mail in Offering:	\$ 0,000.00
Total Offering:	\$ 8,580.00
January Total:	\$ 62,480.00
January Goal:	\$ 70,000.00
<b>Outstanding Mortgage Balance</b>	<b>\$106,000.00</b>

**Text to Give** - 616-208-4301

**Stewardship Update – February 1, 2021**

Collection Plate:	\$ 0,000.00
Online Giving:	\$ 4,577.00
Mail in Offering:	\$ 4,695.00
Total Offering:	\$ 9,272.00
February Total:	\$ 9,272.00
February Goal:	\$ 70,000.00

**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](http://www.mapletreepreschool.org) and [Maple Tree Preschool's Facebook page](#).

**February Birthdays**

Mary Zomerlei	84 on the 4th	Bill Dertien	95 on the 22nd
Alice Karsten	85 on the 9th	Bob Verburg	82 on the 23rd
Dick Robinson	80 on the 14th	Leah Brinks	83 on the 25th
Dorothy VanderLaan	93 on the 15th	Carolyn Cole	81 on the 29th
Vern Boss	96 on the 16th		

**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**.

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH PRAYERS & CONCERNS**

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

**We extend prayers of healing & comfort for:**

- **Roger Tuinstra**, under the care of hospice at American House.
- **Glenn Zwart**, beginning rehab following a stroke.
- **Dave Timmerman**, recovering from a heart catheterization.
- **Frances Davis**, slowly recovering at home from emergency surgery.
- **Vonda Style's father**, is under the care of hospice.
- Pray for anyone affected in any way by **the Corona virus**.
- **Continued prayers for: Leonora Smit, Mike Dertien, BJ Veneklasen, Don Alderink, Dorothy VanderLaan, Karin Dykstra, Emmett Hough, Chuck Duimstra, Roy DeJonge, Curt Stoel, Jakob Kempema, Kaitlin Kremers Lyons, Rikki Leanne DePuy.**

**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. 15 – Dorothy VanderLaan, Brookcrest Nursing Home, 3400 Wilson Ave., Rm #313, Grandville, 49418

Feb. 16 – Vern Boss – Waterford Place Assisted Living, #D-211, Jenison, 49428

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

**Youth Mission Trip fundraisers:**

- **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 Fundraisers****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.

Order Online at [Scholastic Book Clubs](#)

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Books are ordered monthly (September-April).