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**Covenant Reformed Church**

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**Covenant's Media Ministry**

In addition to our downloadable internet sermons,  
Covenant Radio Ministry can be heard on KCWN 99.9 FM

Our worship services are broadcast live every Sunday at  
9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

We also sponsor the Reformed Pulpit heard every weeknight  
on KCWN at 8:05 p.m.

Our services can also be heard on KCOB 95.9 FM or 1280 AM  
at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday Mornings.

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The congregation is requested to be seated at 9:25 am and 6:25 pm  
so that they can enjoy the prelude and adopt a  
worshipful attitude in preparation for the service.

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Although Covenant Reformed Church is equipped with ample nursery capacity for  
both infants and toddlers, parents who wish to take their young children to the  
sanctuary during worship are welcome to do so. However, if a child becomes  
disruptive at any time during the service, parents are urged to remove the child  
promptly in order that the congregation may worship undisturbed.

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If you are interested in becoming a member of Covenant Reformed Church  
or for more information about our church or its ministries,  
please contact the pastor or the elder at the door.

For the  
Word of God  
is living  
and powerful.

Hebrews 4:12a NKJV

Covenant Reformed Church

August 29, 2010 AM

## To Our Visitors:

We heartily welcome you to our worship services today! This morning, we will celebrate the Holy Supper of our Lord. While the worship service is open to all, the communion aspect of the service is restricted to those who have made public profession of faith or received adult baptism, and are members in good standing in a biblical Protestant church.

Our elders are under biblical obligation to safeguard the purity of the Lord's Table by ensuring that only eligible participants are granted access. Therefore, we ask that all visitors fill out a card as indication of their intent to participate. This card will require you to furnish current church membership information. Please note that in certain cases, the elders may deem it proper to refuse a request. This might happen if it is known that a person is not a member of a church, or not a member in good standing, or if there is insufficient evidence of genuine faith or awareness of the sacredness of the Supper on the part of a visitor. In such an instance, the person will be informed directly by the elders. Please note further that your home church will receive notification from our elders that you communed with us. These steps are intended to help us maintain the purity of the Supper, the unity of the body of Christ, and accountability to our fellow churches.

If you are not eligible to participate in the Supper, we kindly request that you not do so. We also ask that you please refrain your little children from partaking.

Whether or not you are able to participate in the Supper, we are delighted that you are here. And it is our prayer that you will grow in the knowledge of our Lord, as your faith is strengthened by the most necessary means of grace—His Word. If you are not yet a member of any church, or would like to seek membership in our congregation, please let us assist you in finding a home church. If you have recently relocated and are a frequent visitor among us, we encourage you to become a member of our church family since it is biblical that one be a member of a *local* church. These words are conveyed in the spirit of deepest humility and utmost concern for the glory of our God and the good of His church.

If you wish to discuss our practice, please speak to an elder or the pastor.

The Consistory

## *Today at Covenant...*

### **Morning Worship**

9:30 a.m.

### **Ladies' Chorus Practice**

5:00 pm

### **Evening Worship**

6:30 pm

Scripture: *Genesis 23*

Sermon: *Abraham Still at the Summit of Faith*

### **Offerings**

- (am) Wycliffe Ministries– Le Mahieu Support/Benevolence
- (pm) Christian Education Assistance Fund (CEAF)

### **Infant Nursery**

- (am) Lila Gullion, Marilyn Ver Meer
- (pm) Diane Van Gorp, Amanda Bohanan

### **Toddler Nursery**

- (am) Darlene Van Hal, Rochelle De Bruin, Andrea De Bruin
- (pm) Laura Vos, Michaela Chapman
- Floater-(am) Kayla De Bruin (pm) Sharon Fopma

### **Enfolding**

Greg & Darcy Horstman

### **Greeters**

Rich & Carol Posthuma Family

### **Impromptu Hospitality Hosts**

Joel & Deb Braafhart

### **Librarians**

- (am) Ruth Gorter, Erma Stursma, Mary Ann Olivier
- (pm) Mary Van Zee, Denise Ver Meer, Darlene Van Hal

“Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven,  
Whose sin is covered.”  
Psalm 32:1

## MORNING WORSHIP

August 29, 2010

### Order of Worship

**Welcome to all who worship with us this morning!**  
Our service will be led today by our pastor, Rev. Patrick Edouard.

This morning we will celebrate the sacrament of the  
Lord's Supper.

#### Prayer Matters

Zelda Schimmel (Parish 7) underwent hip replacement surgery on Friday at Methodist West, in West Des Moines.

Dorothy Monsma (Parish 3) underwent hip repair surgery on Friday in Pella.

#### Gift of New Life

We rejoice with Curt & Julie Hooyer (Parish 11) and their children Holden & Sydney in the birth of a baby girl. Madelyn Jane was born this past Wednesday. Mother and child are doing well.

#### Birthday

We wish birthday blessings to Raymond Brand (Parish 4) who will be 95 years old on September 4. Raymond's address is 1546 Pleasant Drive, Pella.

#### Baptism

Next Sunday, D.V. we will witness the baptism of Gerrit Alan Meinders, infant son Glenn & Clarice Meinders (Parish 13).

The kickoff meeting for Sunday School and Catechism teachers for the upcoming church education season will meet this morning after the service in front of the sanctuary. Sunday School and Catechism classes will begin September 12.

Prelude *Accompanist, Ruth De Vries*  
“Redeemer Medley”

Call to Worship *Hebrews 10: 19-23*

Prayer of Invocation

\*Hymn of Praise #267: 1, 2, 4 (See insert) *“And Can It Be”*

\*God's Greeting

Congregational Prayer

Hymn of Preparation #329 *“O Love of God, How Strong and True”*  
(While the offering for the Wycliffe Le Mahieu's Support is gathered.)

Scripture Reading *John 3: 14-17, page 4*

Text– **PH, Page 12** *Lord's Day 5*

Sermon *“Crossroads of Salvation” page 5*

Prayer of Application

\*Hymn of Response #373: 1-3 *“Beautiful Savior”*

Reading of the Communion Formulary - **PH, Pages 156-159**

Distribution of the Elements

Hymn of Response #360 *“Alleluia! Alleluia!”*  
(While the offering for Benevolence is gathered.)

\*Doxology #373:4 *“Beautiful Savior”*

\*Benediction

\*Postlude *“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”*

## *Crossroads of Salvation*

Scripture Reading: *John 3: 14-17*

Text: *Lord's Day 5*

God graciously initiates the recovery of fallen man:

### **John 3: 14-17**

“And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.”

I. Man's recovery and the nature of God;

II. Man's recovery and the nature of man; and

III. Man's recovery and the two natures.