



Covenant Reformed Church

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Worship Times: 9:30 am and 6:30 pm

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Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 am - 1:00pm

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.

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.

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.

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

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February 20, 2011 PM

EVENING WORSHIP

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Order of Worship

Prelude *Organist, Jeana Van Voorst*

Call to Worship *Psalm 118:24-29*

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn of Praise #111 *"O Lord, My God, Most Earnestly"*

*God's Greeting

Reading of the Law *Romans 12*

Assurance of Pardon *Galatians 1:3a-5*

Hymn of Response # 446:1,2,4 *"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"*

Congregational Prayer

*Hymn of Preparation #23 *"To Thee, O Lord, I Fly"*

Scripture Reading *1 Peter 1:6; 2:12; 3:16,17; 4:14; 5:9,10*

Text: *Page 1390* *1 Peter 1:1,2*

Sermon *"A Message for the Troubled" page 4*

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Dedication #48:1,2,4,5 *"Jehovah Is My Light"*

Offertory *The offering is for URCNA-Synod Askings.*

*Doxology #306:3 *"O Praise Ye the Lord"*
(unannounced)

*Benediction

*Postlude

*Please stand if you are able.

Dear Visitor,

We heartily welcome you to our worship service today. It is our prayer that the Lord will richly bless us as we worship Him. In our attempt to get to know you, and avail ourselves of your spiritual needs, we have designed this form to make us more aware of your presence, and if desired to establish contact with you. Please take a moment to fill it out, and drop it in the offering plate.

Name

Mr.

Mrs.

Ms.

_____ (Last)

_____ (First)

Address: _____ Apt. # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone number: () _____

I am currently a member of:

Future Contact

I live in the area, and do not belong to any church.

I live in the area and belong to a local church.

I am just passing through town on a visit, business, or vacation.

I just moved here and am looking for a church to affiliate with.

I would like a visit from the deacons.

I would like a visit from an elder or the pastor.

I would like to obtain literature about your church.

Please let us know in what way we may be of service to you:

Comments:

Explanation of Our Worship

This brief explanation is intended to help explain the rationale for our mode of worship. In our day, it is customary to classify worship as "traditional" or "contemporary." Since the God we are worshipping is timeless, we avoid such time-bound references to characterize His worship. We prefer to call our worship "biblical."

While worship is the highlight of our week, indeed of our lives, and while it reunites us with our church family, the focus of worship is not on ourselves, but on God. There are two fundamental principles involved in biblical worship: (1) Worship is governed by what God has revealed about Himself in His Word. A corollary is that worship is to be in accord with what He has prescribed as acceptable worship. (2) Worship is a dialogue between God and His covenant people. So defined, worship is a communication. In this communication God speaks to us through His Word and we respond to Him either in prayer or in singing. Every aspect of worship must have a biblical reason and a biblical defense. It is of utmost importance that we assume a reverential posture in the presence of God.

The Consistory supervises and is responsible for every aspect of our worship service. The pastor, or guest pastor, leads us in worship, under the authority of the Consistory.

The songs we sing are chosen primarily for their theology or biblical accuracy. Biblical worship is aware of the importance of music to God, and has always appreciated melody, harmony, and rhythm. But all of that is secondary to a higher, primary concern: faithfulness to Scripture. Our songs are intended to complement, support, and apply the theme of the message.

1. *Call to Worship*: The Lord officially summons us to worship Him. This is usually done with the reading of an appropriate Scripture passage.
2. *Prayer of Invocation*: We call upon the Lord to assist and prepare us for the solemn task of worshipping Him; that our worship would be acceptable to Him.
3. *Hymn of Praise*: We extol the Lord in singing.
4. *God's greeting*: God welcomes us in His house of worship, and greets with His "Grace, Peace, and Mercy."
5. *Reading of the Law*: Here we hear God's law proclaimed to us. The Law is normative for our lives and reveals God's will for Christian living.
6. *Hymn of Confession*: In acknowledgement of our failure to keep the Law, we implore the Lord's mercy, or sing of His mercy. In some cases, a song of gratitude may also be sung at this point.
7. *Assurance of Pardon*: In response to our song of penitence, the Lord responds with the assurance that our sins are forgiven in Christ, wholly by grace.
8. *Congregational Prayer*: Here, the worship leader addresses the Lord with the petitions of the congregation. Prayer is often composed of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, and Supplication, or ACTS.
9. *Hymn of Preparation*: This song prepares us to hear the word of God, often anticipating the theme of the sermon.
10. *Sermon*: This is the center of the worship service. It is not because we place a premium on oration or human eloquence. It is because at this point the Lord speaks to His people, through His word and servant. The purpose of a sermon is to focus on Christ and His finished work. The desired response is *never* "what a preacher," but *always* "what a Savior!"
11. *Hymn of Response*: We respond with appropriate singing, again emphasizing the theme of the sermon.
12. *Offerings*: This is an offering to the Lord, usually for a cause we support.
13. *Doxology*: This is a song in which we celebrate the glory and supreme majesty of God, while accentuating our complete dependence on Him and His goodness to us.
14. *Benediction*: The worship service is officially over. The Lord dismisses us with His blessing.

If you have any further questions about our church or ministries, please do not hesitate to contact one of our elders or the Pastor. 6

"I have come that they may have life,
and that they may have it more abundantly."

John 10:10b

Welcome to all who worship with us this evening!
Our service will be led this evening by Rev. Andrew Cammenga.

Prayer Matters

Verlan Van Gorp (Parish 2) had arthroscopic back surgery on Friday, February 11, and returned home on Sunday, February 13. Pray that the surgery may effectively treat the pain that Verlan has been experiencing and for patience during the recovery process.

Gertrude Dykstra (Parish 2) has been placed in Hospice Care at the Pella Regional Health Center. Keep Gertrude and her family in your prayers as they wait upon the Lord in this time of need.

Bernice Dieleman (Parish 4) has returned home and is doing well.

Gift of New Life

We rejoice with Brian and Denise Ver Meer (Parish 14) in the birth of a son, Daniel Jacob. He was born Friday, February 11. He remains at Mercy Hospital in Des Moines.

Anniversary

Harry and Cornelia Tibboel (Parish 6) will celebrate their 66th wedding anniversary on February 23. The Lord has blessed them with many faithful years together.

The Council has approved the following men for the Pastor's Search Committee: Bruce De Bruin, John De Rooi, Mark De Vries, Lonnie De Zwarte, Mike Fransman, Harold Gorter, Rich Roose, Bob Vander Wilt, Allen Van Haften, Norm Van Mersbergen (chairman), Chris Ver Meer, and Mike Wielard.

Rev. Cammenga can be contacted by email at amcammenga@juno.com. His phone number is 360-739-6188. Mrs. Cammenga's phone number is 503-910-2446.

**The Communiqué deadline is today.

A Message for the Troubled

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1:6; 2:12; 3:16,17; 4:14;5:9,10, Page 1390

Text: 1 Peter 1:1, 2, Page 1390

I. From a Special Person

II. About God's Electing Grace

III. Which is Filled with Comfort

IV. For Those Sanctified

Tonight at Covenant...

Evening Worship Service

6:30 pm

Fellowship Coffee Time

Will be held following this evening's service.

Parish 3 is responsible for cookies.

Fellowship Committee Meeting

Will be held following coffee time.

Offerings

URCNA-Synod Askings

Infant Nursery

Anne Bandstra, Rosie Terborg

Toddler Nursery

Nancy Robinson, Emily Van Gorp

Floater: Heidi Van Wyk

Enfolding

Lawrence & Irene Blom

Greeters

Norm & Jan Dieleman

Librarians

Nancy Robinson, Lisa Van Gorp, Rochelle De Bruin