



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.

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

Covenant Reformed Church

December 5, 2010 PM

To Our Visitors:

We heartily welcome you to our worship service! This evening we will celebrate the Holy Supper of our Lord. While the worship service is open to all, the communion portion 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.

Finally, please note that the innermost rings of the wine tray contain (white) grape juice. This exception is in deference to those who cannot drink wine owing to medical reasons.

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

Today at Covenant...

Evening Worship

6:30 pm

Offerings

Word & Deed/ Benevolence

Infant Nursery

Bev Van Haaften, Mary Van Steenis

Toddler Nursery

Mary Van Zee, Michaela Chapman

Floater: Rosie Terborg

Enfolding

Gary & Delores Van Rees

Greeters

Jason & Wanda Brand Family

Librarians

Michelle Meinders, Nancy Robinson, Rochelle De Bruin

“I will make your name to be remembered in all generations;
Therefore the people shall praise you forever and ever.”
Psalm 45:17

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

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

Prayer Matters

Illness

Leighton Frost (Parish 8) is going to Mayo Clinic for an evaluation for a leg neuropathy.

Jerry Van Hal (Parish 10) is still a patient at the Pella hospital and will be there indefinitely.

Sympathy

We express Christian sympathy to the William Jr. and Shirley Verhoef family (Parish 14) and the Harry and Linda Verhoef family (Parish 2) in the death of their father and grandfather, William Verhoef, on Friday, November 26. The funeral was held this past Monday at our church.

Next Week

Our guest minister next week will be Rev. Travis Grassmid of the Bethel United Reformed Church in Jenison, Michigan.

Rev. Edouard will be on vacation from December 6 to 13. Please direct all pastoral needs to the attention of your parish elder during that time.

EVENING WORSHIP

December 5, 2010

Order of Worship

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| Prelude | <i>Accompanist, Jeana Van Voorst</i> |
| Call to Worship | <i>1 Corinthians 15:54-58</i> |
| Prayer of Invocation | |
| *Hymn of Praise #360 | <i>“Alleluia! Alleluia!”</i> |
| *God's Greeting | |
| Congregational Prayer | |
| Hymn of Preparation #446 | <i>“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”</i> (While the offering for Word & Deed is gathered.) |
| Scripture Reading Page 1323 | <i>1 Corinthians 15:12-19, page 4</i> |
| Text Page 24 | <i>Lord's Day 17</i> |
| Sermon | <i>“The Day Death Died” page 5</i> |
| Prayer of Application | |
| *Hymn of Response #407: 1, 3 | <i>“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”</i> |
| Reading of the Communion Formulary - PH, Pages 156-159 | |
| Distribution of the Elements | |
| Hymn of Response #361: 1-3 | <i>“Praise the Savior”</i> (While the offering for Benevolence is gathered.) |
| *Doxology #361:4 | <i>“Praise the Savior”</i> |
| *Benediction | |
| *Postlude | |
| 3 | <i>*Please stand if you are able.</i> |

The Day Death Died

Scripture Reading & Text: *1 Corinthians 15: 12-19* Page 1323

Text *Lord's Day 17* Page 24

The Lord's empty tomb fills our faith:

1 Corinthians 15: 12-19

“Now if Christ is preached that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen. And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty. Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up- if in fact the dead do not rise. For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins! Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable.”

I. The astounding conquest of death; and

II. The sublime guarantee of glory.