

9:30 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship and Silent Prayer

WE RESPOND IN PRAISE

*Hymn of Adoration: *O Lord of Hosts, How Lovely*

PH 159

*Votum & Salutation

GOD DECLARES THE LAW & THE GOSPEL

The Law of God

Song of Response: *According to Thy Gracious Word*

PH 421

Assurance of Pardon

WE OFFER HIM OUR PRAYERS & GIFTS

Congregational Prayer

Offertory Prayer

Offering: *General Fund*

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

*Hymn of Preparation: *Give Thanks to God, for Good Is He*

PH 284

Scripture Reading: John 10:1-10

Scripture Text: John 10:7-9

Sermon: JESUS, THE DOOR

1. The Description

2. The Meaning

Applicatory Prayer

WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER

Reading of the Form for the Lord's Supper

Hymn of Preparation: *Out of My Bondage, Sorrow, and Night* **PH 428 v.1,2,4**

Partaking of the Lord's Supper

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

Offering: *Benevolence Fund*

*Psalm of Response: *I Will Sing of My Redeemer*

PH 439 v.1,3,4

*Doxology:

PH 493

Praise God, from whom all blessing flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below, Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Amen.

GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*Benediction

**Indicates standing for those able to do so*

5:30 PM ORDER OF WORSHIP

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer

WE RESPOND IN PRAISE & CONFESSION OF FAITH

*Psalm of Adoration: *The Ends of All the Earth Shall Hear*

PH 36

*Votum & Salutation

*Nicene Creed (pg.4) & Response

PH 491

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

GOD INSTRUCTS US THROUGH THE PSALMS

Psalm Selection: Psalm 139:13-18

Psalm Singing: *All That I Am I Owe to Thee*

PH 289 v. 1-3

WE OFFER HIM OUR PRAYERS & GIFTS

Congregational Prayer

Offertory Prayer

Offering: *Christian Education Benevolence Fund*

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

*Psalm of Preparation: *That Man Is Blest*

PH 1 v.1-3

Confessional Reading: Lord's Day 10, Q&A 27 & 28

Scripture Reading: Acts 17:24-28

Sermon: HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD IN HIS HANDS

1. The Power of God's Providence

2. The Tenderness of God's Providence

Applicatory Prayer

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

*Hymn of Response: *God Moves in a Mysterious Way*

PH 461 v. 1-4

*Doxology:

PH 488

Now blessed be Jehovah God, The God of Israel, Who only doeth wondrous works, in glory that excel; Who only doeth wondrous works, in glory that excel. And blessed be His glorious Name to all eternity; the whole earth let His glory fill; Amen: so let it be; the whole earth let His glory fill; Amen: so let it be.

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which includes a sermon on an assigned OT text with exegesis; a sermon on an assigned new testament text; a catechism sermon of his choosing; a recommendation to classis from his consistory, Eastmanville URC; a medical evaluation of health; his seminary grade transcripts and diploma; and a statement of testimony. Mr. Stoffregen will do the morning service next week, and a pulpit exchange with Rev. Cruse, the new pastor of Community Presbyterian, for the evening service on September 24. Meanwhile, we will have other pulpit supply until October 15.

ATTENTION ALL LADIES: Morning Ladies Bible Study will begin September 21 at 9:45. If you signed up, your lesson book is in your mailbox. If you haven't yet signed up, it's NOT too late. We encourage you to come, all women are welcome.

We still have a need for willing helpers for the nursery. There is a need for 1 adult and 1 helper each meeting. There are only 14 meetings so if you could do 1 or 2 dates it would be appreciated. We all know that many hands make light work. Please see Karen Bronsink, Bev Bronsink or Par Webb or sign up in the cry room.

SUNDAY MORNING Ladies' Bible study will resume this fall. We will meet during the Sunday School hour. We are excited about the new material by Nancy Guthrie we'll be using as a guide for deeper study of the Word. More details will be coming in the next few weeks. Please sign up in the cry room if you plan to attend. All women are welcome! Please see Maria Horjus, Michelle Eshuis, or Ruth Newhouse if you have questions.

The Deacons give thanks for the following August offerings:

General Fund	\$16,912.43
Mid America Ref. Sem.	936.75
Christian Ed. Benevolence Fund	825.00
Crossroads	689.00
ITEM	669.22
Total	\$20,032.40

The Deacons would like to give the church an opportunity to help hurricane Harvey victims with a collection through Reformed Mission Services. A designated offering will be taken in the near future. Look for a coming announcement. Please prayerfully consider how you would like to participate.

All shooters welcome! The Cadets extend an invitation to anyone who would like to join them at Mrs. Mina Balkema's house on Saturday, September 16 at 11:00 to shoot guns. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up in the cry room by September 10 if you are planning on joining us!

The first Cadet meeting will be held September 20. All boys in grades 3rd to 8th are welcome to attend. We will be starting the season with a camp out at Mrs. Balkema's house on September 15-16. Please let Mr. Mark Balkema know by September 10 if you will be attending, if your father is coming, where you will be meeting on Friday night and if you need to be brought back to church on Saturday. If you did not receive information about the camp out please speak with Mr. Balkema or Mr. Koning.

All girls entering 3rd to 8th grade are invited to join us on Wednesday, September 20th at 6:30 for our Kingdom Seekers Kick-Off night here at church.

The Fellowship Committee would like you to join us for a **Family Fall Chili Cook-off** at Bob and Amanda Wallinga's home on **Saturday, October 7th starting at 3pm**. Bring your best Chili and camping chairs! The winner will be awarded a prize. We will provide bread, crackers, and salad and are looking for a few volunteers to bring a dessert. Please sign-up in the cry room if you plan on attending, the sign-up sheet has the Wallinga's address and directions.

Save the Date: Saturday, November 4th Progressive Dinner and Friday, January 5th for our 25th Anniversary Celebration!

Church Family

A very happy birthday to Robert McCully, who will celebrate his 90th birthday on Wednesday.

Mr. Bill Horton appeared before the elders, who joyfully heard his profession and testimony of faith and have accepted him into membership of our church. Bill was formerly a member of a Presbyterian Church of America (PCA) congregation, a church with which the URC has ecumenical relations. He then relocated elsewhere and did not have membership in a church prior to recently moving to Portage. In accordance with Church Order 44, the elders announce that Bill is scheduled to make reaffirmation of faith on Sunday morning September 17, followed by refreshments.

General Announcements

United in Prayer: Up-to-date Requests from our Missionaries.

Rev. Zac Wyse is a church-planter in Cincinnati, OH

- 1) That the Lord would use His means of grace to grow us in faith, love, and hope.
- 2) That visitors would become members and growth would continue.
- 3) That people who received information about our church at Kids Fun Day would visit us.
- 4) For our upcoming Reformation Day conference on Luther and Justification by Faith.

If you own a vintage car and would like to help give seniors a wonderful memory, Park Village Pines invites you to our 3rd annual Classic Car Cruise-In on Thursday, September 14 from 5:30-7:00 pm at 2920 Crystal Lane. The residents of our Christian assisted living community are blessed by seeing cars from their younger days. Car exhibitors will enjoy a complimentary “summer fare” dinner, and there will be good music and a fun atmosphere. Questions and RSVP’s (desired) should be directed to Dale Walvort, (269) 364-6047.

Do you have a heart for the elderly, our “Fathers and Mothers?” Do you feel blessed to help those in need? If so, you are invited to support the **“Helping Hand”** of Park Village Pines, the only Christian senior care community in Kalamazoo. Please consider enclosing a gift in the envelope that has been put in your mailbox to support our Resident Assistance Fund. This fund helps long term residents who through no fault of their own can no longer afford the cost of their care. The need for funds increases steadily and exceeded the amount available by \$50,000 last year. Please use the envelope in your mailbox to give your contribution to contact person Kathy Van Dyk by September 24 or mail directly to Park Village Pines. Thank you for caring!

Reformed Heritage Christian School offers classes to homeschoolers in high school! To view the class options for the upcoming school year, please visit the school’s website @ Refhcs.org and click on the Curriculum Tab. Call the school at 383-0505 if you have any questions or would like to take advantage of any of the classes listed.

Reformed Heritage Christian School is having their annual mum sale fundraiser. The sale is from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the corner of Nichols and Ravine Roads. The dates are September 16, 23, and 30. The flowers will come in a variety of colors and sizes. Thank you for your support!

The Kalamazoo Division of Bible League International Volunteers is sponsoring The Helmsmen Quartet, a local singing group who sing southern gospel music. They are well known in the Kalamazoo area and sing throughout the central Michigan area. The concert will be at Westwood CRC on Thursday, September 14, with light refreshments at 6:30 PM, and the concert at 7:00. A love offering will be received for Bibles for Africa.

Registration is now open for the Alternatives Autumn Gala, which will be held on October 5 at the Radisson Plaza Hotel. Registration can be done online or by calling Alternatives at [269-345-1740](tel:269-345-1740). Be sure to register soon, as there is limited seating available. This year’s speaker will be Lisa Robertson, a member of the Duck Dynasty clan.