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A CONGREGATION CALLED BY GOD

TRANSFORMING AND

BEING TRANSFORMED

"A warm welcome to guests"

Jacob London
Interim Pastor

The Entire Congregation
Ministers

Worship Celebrations:
Sunday 10:30 am

Sunday, September 30, 2018

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude - Leo Cnossen

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Psalm 5:7-8*)

L: But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house.

P: I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you. Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness because of my enemies; make your way straight before me.

*SONGS OF APPROACH

#686 - O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Psalm 108 - My Heart is Fixed, O God (verses 1, 2, 3, 6, 7)
to the tune of #405 - I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Proverbs 28:13*)

L: Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.
[Silent Confession]

ASSURANCE OF SALVATION (*2 Corinthians 5:17-19*)

L: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

OPENING PRAYER - PRAYERS FOR OTHERS - LORD'S PRAYER

*SONG OF PRAISE

#413 - Break Thou the Bread of Life

TO HEAR HIS WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE - Luke 22:14-23 [*p. 1131*]

Reader: Zach Bonura

SERMON - "Who should Come to the Lord's Table?" - Jacob London

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

AND RESPOND TO HIS WORD

COMMUNION SERVICE

- Meaning of the Sacrament

L: Our Saviour Jesus Christ has ordained and instituted this Holy Supper to nourish and sustain those who are born again and grafted into his family: his church. Christ has instituted an earthly and visible bread as the sacrament of his body and wine as the sacrament of his blood.

P: Just as truly as we take and hold the sacraments in our hands and eat and drink them in our mouths, by which our life is then sustained, so truly we receive into our souls, for our spiritual life, the true body and true blood of Christ, our only Saviour. We receive these by faith, which is the hand and mouth of our souls.

L: This banquet is a spiritual table at which Christ communicates himself to us with all his benefits.

P: By the use of this holy sacrament we are moved to a fervent love of God and our neighbors.

—from Belgic Confession, Art. 35

- Invitation

- Communion Prayer:

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

L: Father of mercy and God of all comfort....

....give you all thanks, praise, and glory for ever and ever.

P: Amen.

- Communion

- Thanksgiving Prayer:

L: Now to him who by the power at work within us...

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Lord.

P: Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER – OFFERING

#815 - Doxology

***BENEDICTION**

***CLOSING SONG**

#604 - I Then Shall Live (verse 1)

** Indicates where congregation is to stand, if able.*

Please join us downstairs after the service for refreshments and fellowship.

Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 81 & 82

Q. Who are to come to the Lord's table?

- A. Those who are displeased with themselves because of their sins,
but who nevertheless trust
that their sins are pardoned
and that their remaining weakness is covered
by the suffering and death of Christ,
and who also desire more and more
to strengthen their faith
and to lead a better life.
Hypocrites and those who are unrepentant, however,
eat and drink judgment on themselves.¹

¹ 1 Cor. 10:19-22; 11:26-32

Q. Should those be admitted to the Lord's Supper who show by what they say and do that they are unbelieving and ungodly?

- A. No, that would dishonor God's covenant and bring down God's wrath upon the entire congregation.¹ Therefore, according to the instruction of Christ and his apostles,
the Christian church is duty-bound to exclude such people,
by the official use of the keys of the kingdom,
until they reform their lives.

¹ 1 Cor. 11:17-32; Ps. 50:14-16; Isa. 1:11-17

ERC THIS WEEK

Sun	30th	Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am Communion
Mon	1st	
Tues	2nd	
Wed	3rd	Prayer Meeting 6:00 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm
Thu	4th	
Fri	5th	
Sat	6th	Jane VanSlageren's Birthday Open House 2-4 pm
Sun	7th	Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am Library open after Service



PRAYER CORNER

Mina Trachsler

Janet VanderMeulen

Nelly VandenBrink

Margaret Duivesteyn

John & Hennie Ryken

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

James 5:16 (LEB) Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous person accomplishes much.

Lis Wiersma

Marie Winkel

John Wolters

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD'S BLESSINGS to **Garry Warren** (birthday 1st), **Kevin & Tricia Groeneveld** (anniversary 1st) and **Narda Hoogkamp** (birthday 3rd).

RCW: The first meeting of the RCW will be on October 9. It was accidentally left off the October calendar. Apologies!

OPEN HOUSE: All are invited to an open house in honour of Jane VanSlageren's 85th birthday. Saturday, October 6th at 2-4 pm, in the fellowship hall. Best wishes only.

DCH SPEAKER: Coffee and Meditation meeting, Tuesday, October 9 at 10:00 AM. "Faith and Advocacy - How to express our faith for the good of all" Presented by Karri Munn-Venn, senior policy analyst, Citizens for Public Justice.

WORDS OF HOPE: The large print editions have not yet arrived. Please feel free to take a regular print one for now You can also read them online or listen to an audio version at www.woh.org/devotionals

CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS:

- We will be installing a handicap push-button door opener on the ladies' room door.
- We will be having Communion on September 30th, at the conclusion of sermon series on the Lord's Supper.
- The annual congregational meeting will be Saturday, December 1 at 10:00 am, with lunch to follow.

Welcome Greeters

- Sep 30** Sheldon & Sofie Huitema
Oct 7 Beatrice Koster & Trudy VanStaveren
Oct 14 Ben & Narda Hoogkamp
Oct 21 Bill & Kathy Wielinga

Scripture Readers

- Sep 30** Zach Bonura
Oct 7 Jacob London
Oct 14 Susan Duivesteyn
Oct 21 Tricia Groeneveld

Coffee Fellowship

(An extended list may be found at ercwhitby.com/announcements)

- Sep 30** John & Siska DeJong with Harry Sintniklaas
Oct 7 Chris & Samantha Groeneveld with Barb DeJong
Oct 14 Ben & Narda Hoogkamp with Beatrice Koster
Oct 21 Harry & Helen Zylstra with Michael & Catherine Brady

Nursery Helpers

- Sep 30** Pat Pluister
Oct 7 Trudy Van Staveren
Oct 14 Joanne Verhoog
Oct 21 John DeJong

PowerPoint Operators

- Sep 30** Tricia Groeneveld
Oct 7, 14 Paul Hippern

We thank everyone who takes the time to share God's love by assisting at the church. If you're unable to meet your commitment, please arrange for somebody to take your place and inform the list manager and the office as soon as possible.