



THE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH OF SUNNYSIDE

Planting and nurturing ordinary disciples of Christ,
through the extraordinary gospel of Christ,
unto the glory and dominion of Christ.

The Divine Services

on

March 11, 2018

Soli Deo Gloria!

WELCOME!

“How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts! My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.” Psalm 84:1-2

We gather together in the morning and evening of this holy day to meet with our holy God. We are here, as ordinary sinners saved by extraordinary grace, to receive from him through the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ—from Genesis to Revelation—and to respond by offering him worship with reverence and awe and by offering our neighbor tender love and mercy, all by the power of the Holy Spirit.

If you are visiting our church today, please fill out a visitor’s card and place it in the offering. You are also invited to stay after the service for some refreshments so that we may get to know you better! You may also find more information about us by visiting our foyer for some free reading materials, or visiting our website at www.sunnysideurc.org.

PARENTS WITH SMALL CHILDREN: Parenting is difficult enough; parenting our children through a worship service can be especially so. In a desire to assist you—during each worship service—we have a staffed nursery (in the back, by the bathrooms) for our littlest ones, as well as for those children that have the much-dreaded “meltdown.” However, we would encourage you to begin training your children to sit through the worship service as soon as they (and you!) are able. As Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven” (Matt. 19:14). Our children are members of God’s covenant community, and it is through participating in the liturgy—hearing the Gospel preached, singing the songs of Zion, reciting the Apostles’ Creed, observing the melodies and harmonies of holy worship—that our children are brought to saving faith and slowly nurtured into budding disciples of Christ and participating members of His church, men and women equipped to confess His name before the world. Likewise, we kindly ask all in the congregation to be patient with these parents as they seek to train their children in the worship of God; try to even offer a helping hand, if you are able.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: The Apostle Peter commands us to “grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ” (2 Pet. 3:18). Unto this end, we are pleased to offer four Sunday School classes after the AM service during the Fall, Winter, and Spring, from 11:35am—12:15pm:

- 1) *Toddler—K Class* with Mrs. Smeenk and Mrs. Slegers in the Nursery
- 2) *1st—4th Grade Class* with Mrs. Haak in the Classroom
- 3) *5th—12th Grade Class* with Elder Smeenk and Mr. Bolin in the Pastor’s Study
- 4) *Adult Class* in the Sanctuary

ABOUT COMMUNION: We celebrate the Lord’s Supper every other month. If you are not presently a member of this church and wish to partake, we kindly ask that you receive permission from the elders. Please respect our policy as we seek to fence the table in a biblical manner. An elder will be available to speak with you before the morning service. They will ask you about the following: 1) Baptism, 2) Public Profession of Faith, and 3) Biblical Church Membership.

For those visitors who have received permission to partake: the elements will be handed out together after some words are spoken. Please wait until the elements are distributed before you partake. Grape juice is provided in the center two rings, while wine is provided in the outer two rings. Gluten free bread is available as well for those with a wheat allergy.

This Week...

Rev. Glemar B. Melo from Chicago will be preaching and leading worship. Welcome, Brother!
Reverend Melo has been a pastor and church planter for 20 years. He has planted 4 churches in the Philippines and continues to train and mentor other church planters in the Philippines and Lebanon. He is currently planting a church among Muslims and Hindus in Chicago

Elder Jason Smeenck will be attending Classis in Missoula, MT this Tuesday, March 13.

A big THANK YOU to our visiting piano accompanists.

PLEASE BE IN SPECIAL PRAYER FOR THE URCS COUNCIL in the weeks and months ahead.

THE URCS Council is looking for volunteers to host meals, house, and provide to-and-from airport transportation for visiting pastors in the coming months. If you are able to do one or more of these things, please let Deacon Haak or Elder Smeenck know. Thank you!

Regular Resources...

THE CHURCH LIBRARY has been significantly restocked with titles pertaining to theology, apologetics, marriage and family, and Christian living. Feel free to peruse the selection and check out a book!

SERMONS ON CD are available for those who sign up in the foyer.

PLEASE AVAIL YOURSELF to the monthly publications and pamphlets in the foyer.

WEEKLY BULLETINS are available on the church website (www.sunnysideurc.org)

THE LEADERSHIP OF URCS

Christ has instituted three offices in His church: Pastor (Eph. 4.11; 2 Tim. 2.15; 4.1-5), Elder (1 Tim. 3.1-7; Acts 14.23; Tit. 1.5-9; Heb. 13.17), and Deacon (1 Tim. 3.8-13; Acts 6.1-7; Phil 1.1).

Pastor:

Jordan Huff, *Clerk of Consistory* [Leave of Absence]

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OTHER LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Treasurer: Fransisca Vander Meulen

Building and Grounds: Scott Wolters,
Pete Waller, Jonathan Haak

Custodian: Jeremy Van Dam

Special Events: Sheryl Slegers, Maria Roosendaal,
Tamera Smeenk

Bulletin: Dawn Haak

SERVICE SCHEDULES

<i>Nursery:</i>	Mar 11: AM: Fransisca VM PM: Chris Wolters	Mar 18: AM: Julie Waller PM: Brea Faber	Mar 25: AM: Sonya Faber PM: Dawn Haak	Apr 1: AM: Rebecca Bolin PM: Haylie Wolters
<i>Kitchen:</i>	Mar 11: Sonya Faber	Mar 18: Dawn Haak	Mar 25: Pyt Reitsma	Apr 1: Maria Roosendaal
<i>Ushers:</i>	Mar 11: AM: Jason B PM: Peter W	Mar 18: AM: Mark VM PM: Trevor W	Mar 25: AM: Darrin VM PM: Jon H	Apr 1: AM: Scott W PM: Rick S

PRAYER

“Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” (Hebrews 4:16)

Congregational Needs:

Erika TerWisscha (gastroparesis; mother in convalescence); Mary Top (high blood pressure); Kris Chopper (travelling often, mother in convalescence); Tamera Smeenk (mother Helen has breast cancer); Becca Bolin’s sister Rachel (welcoming new baby, Bella) Jon and Dawn Haak (chronic back & hip pain); Esther Hayter, Maisie Wolters, Justin Faber (college/grad school students); Maisie Wolters (wedding preparations); Huff Family (Adjusting to moving, uncertain future); all unbelieving family and friends

Ministry Needs: Pray for the URCS leadership, the weekly ministry of the Word, the work of missions, and the ministries throughout the week—especially to the sick

Answered Prayer:

Lisa Lems is currently cancer-free.

Our congregation’s pulpit supply and pianist needs continue to be met

If you would like an item added to these lists, please see Deacon Haak.

THE MORNING DIVINE SERVICE

10:00 AM

Rev. Glemar Melo leading worship

Mrs. Norene Buschbach accompanying on piano

** Please stand if you are able*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 134:1-2

*INVOCATION

***GOD'S GREETING**

1Corinthians 1:2-3

*PSALM OF PRAISE

#183 *Psalm 95* (1-3)

READING OF THE LAW

Exodus 20

CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 32:1-7

*READING OF THE GOSPEL

Isaiah 53:1-6

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#381 *"Man of Sorrows," What a Name* (1-4)

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
 Maker of heaven and earth,
 And of all things visible and invisible.
 And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
 Begotten of the Father before all worlds;
 God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God;
 Begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father,
 By whom all things were made.
 Who, for us men and for our salvation,
 Came down from heaven,
 And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;
 And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
 He suffered and was buried;
 And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures;

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And ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
 And He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and dead;
 whose kingdom shall have no end.
 And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life;
 Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
 Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
 Who spoke by the prophets.
 And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic church.
 I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
 And I look for the resurrection of the dead,
 And the life of the world to come.
 Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

(The Lord's Prayer in Closing)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever, Amen

OFFERING

*PSALM OF PREPARATION
#240 Psalm 119 (1-4)

READING OF GOD'S WORD

John 3:1-12

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

"You Must Be Born Again"

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*PSALM OF RESPONSE
#95 Psalm 51 (1-4)

***GOD'S BLESSING**

1 Thessalonians 5:23

THE EVENING DIVINE SERVICE
 5:30 PM
 Rev. Glemar Melo leading worship
 Mrs. Carol Van Slageren accompanying on piano

** Please stand if you are able*

*CALL TO WORSHIP
 Psalm 135:1-3

*INVOCATION

***GOD'S GREETING**
 Revelation 1:4-5a

*HYMN OF PRAISE
#327 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (1-3)

CONFESSION OF FAITH
 Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 7

20. Are all men, then, saved by Christ as they have perished in Adam?
 No, only those who by true faith are ingrafted into Him and receive all His benefits

21. What is true faith?
 True faith is not only a sure knowledge whereby I hold for truth all that God has revealed to us in His Word, but also a hearty trust, which the Holy Spirit works in me by the Gospel, that not only to others, but to me also, forgiveness of sins, everlasting righteousness, and salvation are freely given by God, merely of grace, only for the sake of Christ's merits.

22. What, then, is necessary for a Christian to believe?
 All that is promised us in the Gospel, which the articles of our catholic, undoubted Christian faith teach us in summary.

23. What are these articles?
 I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
 And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit, a holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting

PRAYER

OFFERING

*HYMN OF PREPARATION
#390 *Eternal Spirit, God of Truth* (1-4)

SCRIPTURE READING
John 3:13-21

SERMON
"Believe and Repent"

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE
#388 *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me* (1-4)

*CLOSING PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE
#492 *Gloria Patri*

***GOD'S BLESSING**
Hebrews 13:20-21

MORNING SERMON NOTES for COVENANT CHILDREN
(parents: please follow up with your children at home)

Sermon: You Must Be Born Again: John 3:1-12

What are the main points of this sermon?

EVENING SERMON NOTES for COVENANT CHILDREN
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Sermon: Believe and Repent: John 3:13-21

What are the main points of this sermon?

OUR BELIEFS

As an historic Christian Church we believe the Apostles', Nicene, Athanasian, and Chalcedonian Creeds summarize the biblical doctrines of the Holy Trinity and the person of Jesus Christ.

As a Reformed Church we believe Scripture alone is our only guide for faith and life, that we are saved from sin and eternal wrath only by God's grace alone, because of the perfect righteousness of Christ alone, which is received not by our goodness but through faith alone, and all this is according to the glory of God alone. To summarize the Reformation doctrines we confess the "Three Forms of Unity," which are the Heidelberg Catechism (1563), Belgic Confession (1561), and Canons of Dort (1619). If you'd like a copy of these documents—or have any questions about them—please see Elder Smeenk.

We wholeheartedly believe these creeds and confessions faithfully summarize "the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints" (Jude 3).

SERVICE TIMES

Morning Divine Service: 10:00 am

Evening Divine Service: 5:30 pm

Sunday School: 11:35 am

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