



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

April 15, 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...

Mr. Mike Arnaud, retired pastor and member of Grace URC in Kennewick, will be preaching and leading worship. Welcome, Brother!

A congregational meeting will be held TODAY **after the morning service to discuss our church's plans/thoughts/concerns** in searching for a new pastor. Both members and regularly attending non-members are strongly encouraged to attend. There will be no Sunday School.

The council is putting together a search committee to look for a new pastor. If you are interested in being on this committee, please talk to Jason Smeenk or Jonathan Haak.

A big THANK YOU to our visiting piano accompanist.

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

Giving for March ~ \$5,870
Budget for March ~ \$6,537.50
YTD Giving ~ \$52,220.24
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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:

[Vacant]

Elders:

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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>	Apr 15: AM: Sheryl Slegers PM: Brea Faber	Apr 22: AM: Fransisca VM PM: Dawn Haak	Apr 29: AM: Julie Waller PM: Haylie Wolters	May 6: AM: Sonya Faber PM: Chris Wolters
<i>Kitchen:</i>	Apr 15: Tamera Smeenk	Apr 22: Erika Ter Wisscha	Apr 29: Fransisca VM	May 6: Julie Waller
<i>Ushers:</i>	Apr 15: AM: Jason B PM: Pete W	Apr 22: AM: Mark VM PM: Trevor W	Apr 29: AM: Darrin VM PM: Jon H	Apr 8: 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 (moving forward with their lives); Nolan and Rachael Roggenkamp (moving back to Yakima from Japan in May); all unbelieving family and friends

Ministry Needs: Pray that the Lord will bring us a new pastor, and that this man’s ministry might be pleasing to him. 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:

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

Mr. Mike Arnaud preaching and leading worship

Mrs. Sandy Martinez accompanying on piano

** Please stand if you are able*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 34:1-3

*INVOCATION

***GOD'S GREETING**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

#399 *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun* (1-5)

READING OF THE LAW

Matthew 5:17-48

CONFESSION OF SIN

*READING OF THE GOSPEL

Hebrews 9:24-28

*PSALM OF RESPONSE

#55 *Psalm 32 - How Blest is He Whose Trespass* (1-5)

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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 thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit.
I believe a holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. 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

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

#417 *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* (1-4)

READING OF GOD'S WORD

John 11:17-27

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

"Jesus is the Resurrection"

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#364 *The Day of Resurrection* (1-3)

***GOD'S BENEDICTION**

Revelation 1:4-6

THE EVENING DIVINE SERVICE
 5:30 PM
 Mr. Mike Arnaud preaching and leading worship
 Mrs. Sandy Martinez accompanying on piano

** Please stand if you are able*

*CALL TO WORSHIP
 Psalm 92:1-2

*INVOCATION

***GOD'S GREETING**

*HYMN OF PRAISE
 #448 *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* (1-3)

CONFESSION OF FAITH
 Lord's Day 24

Q62. Why cannot our good works be the whole or part of our righteousness before God?

A. Because the righteousness which can stand before the judgment seat of God, must be perfect throughout and entirely conformable to the divine law, but even our best works in this life are all imperfect and defiled with sin.

Q63. Do our good works merit nothing, even though it is God's
 will to reward them in this life and in that which is to come?

A. The reward comes not of merit, but of grace.

Q64. But does not this doctrine make men careless and profane?

A. No, for it is impossible that those who are implanted into Christ by true faith, should not bring forth fruits of thankfulness.

PRAYER

OFFERING

*HYMN OF PREPARATION
 #463 *He Leadeth Me* (1-4)

READING OF GOD'S WORD
 Romans 7:14-25

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD*“War Within!”*

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#389 *Not What My Hands Have Done* (1-3)

*CLOSING PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE

#445 *When Peace Like a River* (1-4)***GOD'S BENEDICTION**

Romans 16:25-27

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

Sermon: “Jesus is the Resurrection”: John 11:17-27

What are the main points of this sermon?

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

Sermon: "War Within!": Romans 7:14-25

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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