

May 5, 2019

Welcome to the Dispatch Christian Reformed Church with Pastor Steve Boersma. Visitors are asked to please sign a guest book in an entryway. Worship services are held at 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Church School classes are held after the morning service.

GREETERS: west – Russell & Linda Groenendyk Family
east – David & Jennifer Herredberg Family

May 12: west – Mike Nyhoff
east – George & Sherri Eakin

NURSERY: A.M. – Mary Rotman & Kacee Herredberg
P.M. – Jana Pfannenstiel

May 12: A.M. – Marion Schlatter & Jonny Schlatter
P.M. – George Eakin

USHER: Junior VanderGiesen

ORGANIST: Ginger DeBey

PIANIST: Sherri Eakin

SPECIAL OFFERING: May 12 – Dispatch Vacation Bible School

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: May 19 – Mike

HOSPITALITY COFFEE: Melanie Schlatter May 12 – Rotmans

LETTER WRITING SUPPORT: Zylstra – Marion Schlatter,

Ramsey – George Eakin, Michelson – Dave Draayer,

Hoogeveen – Ray DeBey

CARE GROUP FOR APRIL – JUNE: #1

The Lord's Day

The Downs Ministerial Association is sponsoring a community picnic today, beginning at 1:00 p.m. at the Roadside Park in Downs. Walking tacos, coleslaw, baked potato bar, hamburgers, hot dogs, and bottled water will be provided. Dispatch members who attend are asked to bring cookies or chips. Everyone who attends is also asked to donate one can of fruit for the local food bank. Various games will be available as well. In case of inclement weather, this event will be held at the Lakeside High School.

Starting today, our evening worship service will revert back to 6:30 p.m. until the end of August.

The Lord's Week

Monday: 9:00 a.m. – Agape Shop Clean-up

Wednesday: 7:30 p.m. – Cadets; snacks – Lynn Koops

Friday: 6:15 a.m. – Promise Keepers Men's Group

The Church Family

Spring 2019 graduates include:

Drake Koops – Sterling College

Matt Seward – Lakeside High School

Moving from Kindergarten to First Grade:

Karis Christians, Maddison Harr, Jessa Herredberg, &

Joanna Koops

Matt Seward will be honored with an Open House on Saturday, May 11 from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. He will graduate from Lakeside High School at 4:00.

The Dispatch V.B.S. committee is collecting empty paper towel rolls and empty toilet paper rolls for craft activities.

The Downs Community V.B.S. will be held at the Rose Valley United Methodist Church on May 21-24 from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. The theme is "Take Faith to the Max" and includes Bible stories, illusions, puppets, balloons, music, and more. Mike and Glenda Mann from Hutchinson will be leading this program.

Numbers were up at the food bank again in April. We gave gifts of food to 39 households that included 94 people. We had a good turnout of volunteers so the load was a little lighter for those who worked. We did have enough of everything but the demand has left us in need of several items. They include:

Facial Tissue Cream of Mushroom Soup Dish Soap

Diced Tomatoes Stuffing Mandarin Oranges Toothbrushes

Hamburger Helper Vegetable Oil Microwave Popcorn

Canned Sloppy Joe Meat Paper Towels Shampoo

Toilet Paper (preferably double rolls) Toothpaste Ketchup

Thank you again for your prayers, work, and gifts of both food and finances that make this ministry possible.

Pastor George

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GROUNDWORK: THE SUPREMACY OF CHRIST - We use a lot of phrases to describe Christ and his role: firstborn of the dead, firstborn of all creation, reconciler, and head of the church. Join the conversation on Colossians 1:18-20 to discover their origin and what they mean we believe about Jesus Christ. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

How do people deal with loss? The kids are saddened when a death occurs in the Terrene community. At the same time, Lucille has to say goodbye to a favorite aunt who is going to do far away missions. How do you say goodbye? Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for future episodes.

Family Faith Formation Tip - An anonymous wise person said, "It is through repetition that possibility becomes ability." Making space for God in your family's busy schedule can be hard. But creating regular family faith habits and practices will have a life-changing impact on your kids—and on you! The new resource *Everyday Family Faith* (available at FaithAliveResources.org), a pocket-sized family faith formation guide, can help you get started. (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

From CRC Communications

Pray for Inspire 2019 - Inspire 2019 is a conference to connect people from across the 1000+ churches in the Christian Reformed Church for three days of worship, workshops, speakers, and conversation. As we plan and prepare for this event, happening August 1-3 in Windsor, Ont., please join us in praying for the event and all who will attend. This week, please pray for all of the workshop presenters. As they share their perspectives and ideas for life and ministry, pray that God will use their words and interactions to build his Kingdom.

Prelude:

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship – Psalm 100:1-3

Prayer of Adoration & Invocation:

***Gathering Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts #515, vs. 1, 2, 4**

"Sing to the Lord, Sing His Praise"

***God's Greeting – Revelation 1:4-5**

***Hymn of Praise: Lift Up Your Hearts #548, vs. 1, 3, 4, 6**

"My God, How Wonderful You Are"

Call to Confession – Revelation 3:1-3

Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Gracious God, you have given us your Word to direct us in the way of life. You offer us your Holy Spirit so that we can be born to new life as your children.

Yet, we confess that the ways of death often have a strong attraction and we often fall into temptation.

Forgive us for not choosing the way of light and life. Give us the vision and courage to choose and nurture the light so that we may receive your Spirit and blessing. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon – Revelation 3:5-6

Hymn of Thanksgiving: Lift Up Your Hearts #582

"You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

God's Law for Our Lives:

Song of Dedication: Lift Up Your Hearts #618, vs. 1, 3, 5

"Spirit of God, Who Dwells Within My Heart"

Congregational Prayer:

Offering: General Fund

***Song of Preparation: Sing! A New Creation #80**

"Open Our Eyes, Lord"

Prayer for Illumination:

God's Word – Luke 7:36-50

Message – Knowledge About Him vs. Intimacy With Him

Prayer of Application:

***Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts #366**

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

***Benediction – 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17**

***Doxology: Lift Up Your Hearts #959**

"Glory Be to the Father"

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Prelude:

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship – Psalm 15

***Opening Song: Lift Up Your Hearts #249, vs. 1&3**

“Great Is the Lord Our God”

***God’s Greeting – 2 Corinthians 13:14**

***Song of Praise – Lift Up Your Hearts #246, vs. 1-4**

“God Is Here”

Reading from the Psalms – Psalm 65

Song of Faith: Lift Up Your Hearts #266

“The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound” (No Slides)

Congregational Prayer:

New Testament Reading – Matthew 25:31-40

***Song of Preparation: Lift Up Your Hearts #309**

“The Servant Song”

Scripture – Romans 12:9-21

Message: Loving Hospitality

Prayer of Application:

***Song of Application: Lift Up Your Hearts #318**

“Help Us Accept Each Other”

Offering: General Fund

***Confession of Faith – Our Faith, pg. 13**

“The Apostles’ Creed”

***Closing Song: Lift Up Your Hearts #334**

“May the Mind of Christ, My Savior” (Words Only)

***Benediction – Romans 15:5-7**

***Doxology: Lift Up Your Hearts #372, vs. 1&4**

“When Morning Gilds the Sky”