

September 1, 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 6:00 p.m.

GREETERS: west – Pastor Steve & Lynn Boersma
east – Roy & Stacy DeBey

September 8: west – Russell & Linda; east – Don & Jan

NURSERY: A.M. – Dennis & Mary Rotman

P.M. – Marty Christians & Liam Christians

September 8: A.M. – Abigail Schlatter & Nathan Schlatter

P.M. – Jeff Koops & Eli Koops

USHER: Bob Koops

ORGANIST: Ginger DeBey

PIANIST: Lynn Koops

OFFERING TOTALS: August 18 – General Fund \$907

August 25 – General Fund \$385; Michelsons \$153

HOSPITALITY COFFEE: Russell Groenendyk Sept. 8 – Melanie

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Russell Groenendyk Sept. 15 – Mike

LETTER WRITING SUPPORT: Zylstra – Randy Koops,

Ramsey – Marty Christians, Hoogeveen – Lynn Boersma

CARE GROUP FOR JULY - SEPTEMBER: #2

COOKIES FOR TONIGHT: (3 doz. ea.) Stacy, Jan K., & Lynn K.

The Lord's Day

Care Group 2 will meet briefly after the morning service.

The time of the evening worship service changes to 6:00 today. This change will be in effect through the month of April 2020.

Care Group 2 will host a time of fellowship and cookies after this evening's service. Please join us.

The Lord's Week

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

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – Dorcas Society; opening – Ginger DeBey,
lesson 1, lunch – Ginger, roll call “creation”

Saturday: 7:00 a.m. – Men's Prayer Breakfast at Rose Valley UMC

The Church Family

Jim and Josephine Zylstra will be visiting Dispatch from September 19-23. They will give a short presentation of their work at the morning worship service on September 22. If you are willing to provide them with meals during their stay, please contact Pastor Steve.

The Heartland Worship Center of Agra, KS is sponsoring a men's conference on Friday and Saturday, September 20-21 at the Heartland Worship Center. The conference will feature times of worship and four teaching sessions. It will also include activities such as skeet shooting and a car smash. There is no cost to attend.

Power Tools: Stand Up to Bullying - At school, on the playground, or online; your child can face a bully anywhere. Equip your child to stand up to bullying in a godly way with Power Tools, an ebook from Kids Corner. Get the ebook when you subscribe at KidsCorner.net/PowerTools.

“The Banner's Guide to the Acts of Synod 2019” - Every year, following the CRC's annual general assembly, the denomination publishes a hefty volume detailing all the 'acts' of that year's synod. If you get bogged down in the 50,000-word document or are intimidated to even pick it up, The Banner's 3,000-word guide is for you. Find it at thebanner.org/synod.

Please pray that our congregation will be faithful in sharing the gospel with others around us. Pray that God will give us the boldness and creativity we need.

From Back to God Ministries International

GROUNDWORK: BAPTISM - Water is ordinary, so why do Christians think touching a person's body with water in baptism can do extraordinary things? Join Groundwork in studying Matthew 28:18-20 and Colossians 2:9-15 with our guest Jim Brownson to discover what happens in baptism, whom it is for, and the hope it gives to faithful believers. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

MORRIE'S LOVE STORY - Morrie gets up the courage to talk to the little red-headed girl he has had a crush on. But does she like him, or is there someone else? Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for future episodes.

From Faith Formation Ministries

Family Faith Formation Tip - God equips us to serve in the world, but God also invites us to rest. It is so important for our physical and spiritual health that God set aside a whole day for it! Talk together about the fourth Commandment and brainstorm how your family might "remember the sabbath day by keeping it holy." (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

At-Home Faith Formation Tip - Fall can be an overwhelming and anxious time for students of all ages. How could you encourage the students in your family or your church this week? You might bake cookies, share a favorite book, or send a card. And pray for them as they discover the gifts God has given them and explore how God might be calling them to use those gifts. (Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

From World Renew

Help Naschitti CRC Recover from Arson Fire - Last week, the CRC in Naschitti, NM, was damaged by arson. The property was uninsured and church leaders have asked World Renew DRS for help. DRS volunteers are making plans to support the congregation with clean up, repair, and volunteer labor. Your financial support makes this project possible. Please give generously today at worldrenew.net/drs, call 800-552-7972, or send your check, made out to World Renew DRS with "Naschitti CRC Response" in the memo line, to World Renew, 1700 28th St., SE. Grand Rapids, MI 49508.

World Renew Opportunities - If you are passionate about World Renew's work and advancing His kingdom, check out the following RFQ opportunity currently available with World Renew. RFQ (Request for Quotation) for an Online Learning Facilitator. See worldrenew.net/careers for more details and the link to apply.

September 1, 2019 (AM)

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship – Psalm 105:1-4

Prayer of Invocation

*Gathering Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts #561

"I Will Extol You, O My God"

*God's Greeting – 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

*Hymn of Praise: LUYH #513 *"It Is Good to Sing Your Praises"*

Litany of Confession and Assurance:

Leader: In a time when brokenness casts a dark shadow on many lives, we confess that we have contributed to the darkness of despair. We confess that we have not done enough to heal hearts that are broken. We also confess the brokenness in our own lives and how easy it is to turn to sinful habits that enslave us.

People: I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out (Romans 7:18).

Leader: The God who created all things renews our strength. He is the God who restores us and helps us recover from our sinful habits.

People: The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak (Isaiah 40:28-29).

Leader: Let us then consciously choose to turn our wills and our lives over to the care of God.

People: The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and I am helped (Psalm 28:7).

Leader: Let us also make a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.

People: Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the LORD (Lamentations 3:40).

Hymn of Dedication: Lift Up Your Hearts #426, vs. 1-3

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

God's Will for Our Lives – Lift Up Your Hearts #722

"Litany: The Ten Commandments 3"

Offering: General Fund

Hymn of Thanks: Lift Up Your Hearts #575

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Congregational Prayer

*Hymn of Preparation: Lift Up Your Hearts #324, vs. 1, 4, 5

“Oh, For a Closer Walk with God”

Prayer for Illumination

Children’s Message: Russell Groenendyk

God’s Word – Proverbs 4:20-27

Message – “A Good Habit to Have”

Prayer of Application

***Hymn of Response: LUYH #737 “Have Thine Own Way, Lord”**

***Benediction – Hebrews 13:20-21**

***Doxology: Lift Up Your Hearts #965**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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Call to Worship – Jude 20-21, 24-25

***Opening Song: Lift Up Your Hearts #363 “Blessed Assurance”**

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

***Song of Praise – Lift Up Your Hearts #423 “Give Me Jesus”**

Old Testament Reading – Job 1:6-12, 2:1-7

Hymn of Dedication: LUYH #322 “I Need Thee Every Hour”

Congregational Prayer

New Testament Reading – 1 Peter 3:13-17, 4:12-16, 5:8-11

***Song of Preparation: Lift Up Your Hearts #682**

“Before the Throne of God Above”

Scripture – Rev. 12:13-17 Message: “The Dragon’s Revenge”

Prayer of Application

***Hymn of Application: Lift Up Your Hearts #776**

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Offering: General Fund

***Confession of Faith – Our Faith, pg. 13 “The Apostles’ Creed”**

***Closing Song: LUYH #328 “Lead On, O King Eternal”**

***Benediction – Numbers 6:24-26**

***Doxology: Lift Up Your Hearts #394, vs. 1&4**

“All Praise to You, My God, This Night”