

**Dispatch Christian Reformed Church**  
**September 18, 2022**

Welcome to the Dispatch Christian Reformed Church and our worship today. We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting and invite you to join us downstairs after the service for a time of fellowship over a cup of coffee. Visitors are asked to please sign a guest book in an entryway. Sunday School classes are held for all ages after the service.

**GREETERS:** west – Dennis & Mary Rotman  
east – Dave & Jennifer Herredsberg Family  
Sept. 25 – west – Groenendyk Family; east – Bob & Lynn  
**USHERS:** Junior VanderGiesen & Dennis Rotman  
**NURSERY:** Jan Koops September 25 – Lynn Koops  
**ORGANIST:** Stacy DeBey  
**SPECIAL OFFERING:** Christian Care Fund  
**OFFERING TOTAL:** September 11 – General Fund \$2,495  
**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE:** Russell Groenendyk Oct. 2 – Mike N.  
**HOSPITALITY COFFEE:** Ray & Ginger DeBey  
September 25 – Mike Nyhoff  
**LETTER WRITING:** Hoogeveen – Jared Schurr  
**CARE GROUP A:** September – December

**The Lord’s Day**

Dr. David Rozema will lead our services this morning. David is professor of Philosophy and Literature at the University of Nebraska-Kearney.

We will discuss chapter 9 (study guide session 8) of *The Church in Babylon* in Fellowship Hall during Sunday School.

Small Groups begin again this week studying *The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership* by John C. Maxwell. New members are always welcome. Meeting times and locations are:

Smith Center – No Meeting This Week - 4:00 Sundays at SunPorch  
(Jan Koops 785-346-4398)

Downs – 5:30 Wednesdays at Merle & Rose Nyhoff's  
(Mike Nyhoff 785-545-5285)

Dispatch – 5:00 Sundays – loft (Mary Rotman 785-545-7405)

Lebanon – 6:30 Sundays at Dale & Kareena Herredsberg's  
(Kareena 785-389-2013)

**The Lord’s Week**

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. – Elders’ Meeting; lunch – Bob Koops

Wednesday: 6:15-7:15 p.m. – GEMS Kick-off

Downs Roadside Park

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

**The Church Family**

Scott Koeman, Chaplain of Ft. Leavenworth, KS, will bring the message next Sunday.

At the request of Pastor Steve and Lynn Boersma, the council transferred their membership to the Hawarden (Iowa) Christian Reformed Church. The council also approved Pastor Steve’s request to transfer his ministerial credentials to the Hawarden CRC. We commend them to the Christian fellowship of Hawarden CRC.

**ReFrame Ministries**

**The Tongue Is Like a Spark** - Check out the kids’ devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net) When James says, “The tongue is like a spark,” he is comparing our words to fire. Just like how a tiny spark can start a cozy campfire or a devastating forest fire, your words can help or hurt those around you. Listen now at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) and check out all the new content.

**Groundwork: Jesus Teaches about Money, Worry, and Judging People** - Jesus continues to teach us what it means to live as his redeemed followers. Join Groundwork as we study Matthew 6:19-7:5 to learn what it means to have a kingdom perspective on our money and how this kingdom perspective influences how we think about our security and about other people. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

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.

## Faith Formation

At-home Faith Formation Tip: In the book *Liturgy of the Ordinary* (IVP 2016), Tish Warren writes, “We learn the craft of holiness day by day in the living of a particular life . . . we are part of God’s big vision and mission — the redemption of all things — through the earthy craft of living out our vocation, hour by hour, task by task. I want to do the big work of the kingdom, but I have to learn to live it out in the small tasks before me.” How might this insight change your perspective on the small tasks of your daily life? (Tip from Faith Formation; [bit.ly/CRCFaithFormation](https://bit.ly/CRCFaithFormation))

## Calvin University

**Israel & Jordan Study Tour (March 30 - April 11, 2023)** - Travel to New Testament sites connected with Jesus’ life and the early church: Bethlehem, Nazareth, Caesarea, Capernaum, Bethsaida, Sea of Galilee, Caesarea Philippi, the major biblical places in Jerusalem, Masada, and much more. This tour also uniquely involves key biblical sites in Jordan, including the amazing city of Petra. Contact Dr. Jeff Weima at [wemje@calvinseminary.edu](mailto:wemje@calvinseminary.edu) or 616-328-3110.

## Social Justice

**September 2022 Safe Church Webinar: Step 4 - Practice Being Restorative** - Join us live on September 21, 2022, at 11 a.m. for our fourth webinar in our Safe Church Basics Series: “Practice Being Restorative.” In restorative congregations, all in the church interact with empathy and respect, listening with one another as they go forward as the body of Christ even amidst conflict. To register for this event: <https://bit.ly/SCwebinarSeptember22>

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**September 18, 2022 – David Rozema**  
**Morning Worship Service: 9:30 AM**

(\*Please stand if able.)

### We Approach the LORD

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: Pastor & **Congregation**

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

**Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.**

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles and the judgments he pronounced.**

He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

**Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.**

Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns!

**Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him glory!**

Opening Prayer

\*God’s Greeting

\*Hymns of Praise: "To God Be the Glory" *LUYH* #604  
"Great Is the Lord"

### Service of Confession and Assurance

Call to Confession: Isaiah 30:15-17

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Isaiah 30:18

\*Hymn: "Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" *LUYH* #796

### Service of Prayer and Thanksgiving

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: 1. General Fund 2. Christian Care Fund

### Service of the Word

Scripture Reading: Matthew 12:38-45

Message: “Signs of the Times”

### Service of Dedication and Dismissal

\*Closing Song: "Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer" *LUYH* #43

\*Benediction

\*Dxlg: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" *LUYH*#965

\*Postlude