

Dispatch Christian Reformed Church
September 17, 2023

Welcome to the Dispatch Christian Reformed Church and our worship today with Pastor Will Brouwers. 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. Church school classes will be held for all ages following the worship service. Visitors are asked to please sign a guest book in an entryway.

GREETERS: west – Don & Jan Koops
east – John Koops

September 24: west – Marianne Schlatter
east – Dennis & Mary Rotman

USHERS: Ray DeBey & Dave Herredsberg

NURSERY: Kacee Herredsberg & Jessa Herredsberg
September 24 – Jan Koops

PIANIST: Lynn Koops

OFFERING TOTAL: September 10 – General Fund \$803

SPECIAL OFFERING: Christian Care Fund

HOSPITALITY COFFEE: Melanie Schlatter
September 24 – Russell Groenendyk

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: September 24 – George Eakin

LETTER WRITING: Amy Hoogeveen – Dennis Rotman

CARE GROUP B: September – December

The Lord's Day

Small Groups will meet to study *When Helping Hurts*. New members are always welcome. Meeting times and locations are:

Smith Center – 4:00 Sundays at SunPorch

(Don Koops 785-346-4033)

Downs – 5:30 Wednesdays at Merle & Rose Nyhoff's

(Mike Nyhoff 785-545-5285)

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

Lebanon – 5:30 Sundays (Kareena H. 785-389-2013)

The Lord's Week

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. – Elders Meeting

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

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

The Church Family

Pastor Mark Wallace from New Covenant Church, Smith Center, will be preaching September 24, with elders assisting. Pastor Will is taking personal days September 18-24.

A big thank you to my Dispatch church family for all your prayers and acts of kindness before, during, and after my surgery! They were very much appreciated. God is good! – Bob Koops

Nominations for elder and deacon are open to the congregation for the October council meeting. Please place names in the offering plate or hand them to a deacon or elder.

From Chad Young, Executive Director at SRM: At the Salina Rescue Mission, we're getting ready to kick off our busy fall season, and we could really use your help! Just \$2.05 provides a struggling neighbor with a nourishing meal and the chance to access other Mission services like faith-based guidance and recovery that change lives! Please give now to remember your neighbors in need this fall. Salina Rescue Mission | 1716 Summers Rd., Salina, KS 67401

Current Community Food Bank needs are pasta sauce, cereal, Hamburger Helper, Minute Rice, and toothpaste. Donations can be dropped off at the United Methodist Church basement in the box at the bottom of the stairs. There continues to be a need for monetary donations as well. Monetary donations can be dropped off at the State Bank of Downs or mailed to the bank at 900 Morgan Ave. Downs, KS 67437. The Food Bank is sponsored by the Downs Ministerial Association. Any contribution is greatly appreciated.

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.

If you would be willing to provide special music and/or give a children's message, please contact Barb DeBey, Will Brouwers, Russell or Linda Groenendyk, or Don Koops. If you have a song you would like Pastor Will to include in a worship service or in a Praise and Worship service, a suggestion box may be found in Fellowship Hall.

Please have bulletin information to Stacy DeBey by 7:00 p.m. Thursdays. 785-454-3784 or rsdebey@ruraltel.net

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner: God Gives Relief. Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net **STRESS!** This is a word you might hear a lot. It seems like everyone is stressed about something. What can you do about the stress in your life? Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the KC's Liz and Friends Podcast "Homework Alert."

Groundwork: God Is Sovereign over All. We will find ourselves in many different situations throughout our lives. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study the dreams of King Nebuchadnezzar in Daniel 2 and 4 to remember that in all things, no matter the situation, God is sovereign and in control. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

World Renew

Volunteer with World Renew DRS this October! Come enjoy the sun and service. World Renew DRS needs volunteers and On-Site Managers for our first reconstruction team in Sarasota, Florida! If you or someone you know can volunteer with DRS October 7-28, contact Diana at dmarquez@worldrenew.net to sign up or with questions.

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(*Please stand as you are able.)

Welcome and Announcements
*Call to Worship - Psalm 24:7-10

Lift up your heads, O you gates;
be lifted up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The LORD strong and mighty,
the LORD mighty in battle.
**Lift up your heads, O you gates;
lift them up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.**
Who is he, this King of glory?
**The LORD Almighty —
He is the King of glory.**

*God's Greeting - 2 Corinthians 13:14
*Song 1 - "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"
Lift Up Your Hearts #538
*Song 2 - "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
Lift Up Your Hearts #898
Prayer of Confession - Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, Lord;
Lord, hear my voice.
Let your ears be attentive
to my cry for mercy.
If you, Lord, kept a record of sins,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you there is forgiveness,
so that we can, with reverence, serve you.
(over)

**I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits,
and in his word I put my hope.**

I wait for the Lord

**more than watchmen wait for the morning,
more than watchmen wait for the morning.**

Israel, put your hope in the Lord,
for with the Lord is unfailing love
and with him is full redemption.

He himself will redeem Israel
from all their sins.

Assurance of Pardon - Ezekiel 36:25-26

God's Will for Us - Exodus 20:1-17: The Ten Commandments

*Song of Response – “How Shall the Young Direct Their Way”

Lift Up Your Hearts #720

Offerings: 1. General Fund

2. Christian Care Fund

Congregational Prayer

Lord's Prayer

*Song of Preparation – “Ancient Words”

Lift Up Your Hearts #762

Scripture - Luke 11:1-13

Sermon - “What is church? Teach Us to Pray”

Prayer of Application

*Closing Song – “Give Me Jesus”

Lift Up Your Hearts #423

*Benediction - Numbers 6:24-26

*Doxology – “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Lift Up Your Hearts #965