

Dispatch Christian Reformed Church
August 24, 2025

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. Visitors are asked to please sign a guest book in an entryway.

GREETERS: west – Mike Nyhoff

east – Jared & Andrea Schurr Family

August 31: west – Don & Jan Koops

east – Bob & Lynn Koops

USHERS: Roy DeBey & Ethan Schlatter

NURSERY: Lynn Koops

August 31 – Dale Herredsberg & Ethan Schlatter

PIANIST: John Tanis

OFFERING TOTAL: August 17 – General Fund \$493

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: August 31 – Lynn Koops

HOSPITALITY COFFEE: Adrienne Allison

August 31 – Melanie Schlatter

LETTER WRITING: Hoogeveen – Roy DeBey

Wah – Dave Draayer

CARE GROUP A: May – August

COOKIES FOR AUGUST 31 – (4 doz. each) Lynn Koops
& Kat Brouwers

The Lord's Day

The Profession of Faith and Membership Class will meet after the worship service.

Small Groups will meet today. New members are always welcome. Meeting times and locations are:

Smith Center – 4:00 p.m. at SunPorch (Don Koops 785-346-4033)

Dispatch – 5:00 p.m. – loft (Stacy DeBey 785-412-0155)

Lebanon – 5:30 p.m. (Melanie Schlatter 785-620-7066)

The Lord's Week

Thursday: 6:30 a.m. – Promise Keepers Men's Group

at Roundhouse Coffee & Cafe, Downs

6:00 p.m. – Downs Small Group at Merle Nyhoff's
(Mike Nyhoff 785-545-5285)

Next Sunday: Profession of Faith Class

Small Groups will meet.

The Church Family

On September 7, we will have a potluck to kick off the new church school year. There will be activities for the youth. Church School classes will begin on September 14.

Knight Club Annual Fundraiser Event - Tonight.

The Knight Club's annual Pancake and Sausage Feed will be held this evening at the Downs Roadside Park from 5pm-7pm. Free will donation only. To-go boxes will be available!

If you are interested in supporting in other ways, see their volunteer sign-up sheet for opportunities throughout the year! <https://forms.gle/GnhXaQrCMW1QEuLu5>

The Missions Committee is asking for your prayer support to seek God's will in the potential area-wide Billy Graham Evangelical Association Outreach Event. There will be an initial meeting with the director of the association, Sam Hardy, on September 25, from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. We ask that everyone participate by praying. For those interested in attending the meeting, please see the letter posted on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. This is only in the planning stages, so please pray for God's will and direction. You may also contact the Missions Committee (Levi Allison and Ray DeBey) for further information.

A thank you, from The Grace Brethren Church members for our involvement as prayer partners in seeking the Lord's will regarding the upcoming September 25 meeting in Portis with The Billy Graham Evangelistic Assn. representative, is on a table in the Fellowship Hall for viewing and encouragement.

CRC Communications, Thrive

Prayer for Our Immigrant Neighbors - Over the past few months, many Christian Reformed Church leaders and members have been deeply impacted by the increased immigration enforcement activities taking place across the United States. We are asking every CRC congregation to join a virtual prayer vigil on Wednesday, September 10, at 6:00 p.m. at [youtube.com/crcna](https://www.youtube.com/crcna)

Walk for Life Sunday, October 5 – See the flyer on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board about the fundraiser for Heart Choices. Their goal is to raise \$17,000. This directly makes services free and possible. Their new location in Concordia will be open soon and they are in need of a few new items if anyone has them to donate:

- mini-refrigerator approximately 20" x 33" tall
- cordless phone with three bases & answering machine
- indoor tall and narrow utility closet for brooms, etc.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - In the book *Unsettling Truths*, theologian and professor Soong-Chan Rah writes: "Repentance is not just sorrow and confession, it is the turning around of wrong behavior towards right and just action. Repentance from sinful corporate behavior therefore requires systemic change." Write down how you are going to pair your acts of repentance from "sinful corporate behaviors," like racism, with acts of systemic change this week. brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: School -- Do It with All Your Might - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "School -- Do It with All Your Might" at www.kidscorner.net A new school year can feel exciting and a little scary, and that is okay! Whatever you do—learning, helping, or being kind—do your best, like you are doing it for God, and he will help you along the way. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the Kids Corner Bible Story Podcast Series.

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(*Please stand, as you are able.)

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship - "He Has Made Me Glad"

Sing! A New Creation #13

*God's Greeting - 2 Corinthians 13:14

*Songs -

"Our God Reigns"

"Hear My Cry"

Prayer of Confession - James 4:8-10

Assurance of Pardon - "I Will Sing of the Mercies"

God's Will for Us - John 13:34-35

*Song of Response – "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

Lift Up Your Hearts #737

Offering: General Fund

Congregational Prayer

*Song of Preparation – "Seek Ye First"

Lift Up Your Hearts #899

Scripture - John 1:43-52

Sermon - "Disciple, One by One"

Prayer of Application

*Song of Response – "We Are People on a Journey"

Lift Up Your Hearts #142

*Benediction - Numbers 6:24-26

*Closing Song – "God of Grace and God of Glory"

Lift Up Your Hearts #926

*Postlude