

**Dispatch Christian Reformed Church**  
**March 22, 2026**  
**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Welcome to the Dispatch Christian Reformed Church with Pastor Will Brouwers leading our worship. 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. Church school classes will be held for ages three through adult following the service.

**GREETERS:** west – Emma Meyer

east – Dennis & Mary Rotman

March 29: west – Mike Nyhoff

east – George & Sherri Eakin

**USHERS:** Dennis Rotman and Johnny Schlatter

**NURSERY:** Kat Brouwers & Abigail Schlatter

March 29 – Lynn Koops & Sherri Eakin

**PIANIST:** Lynn Koops

**OFFERING TOTALS:** March 15 - General Fund \$666

Dordt University \$501

Prayer Day Service - Zuni Christian Mission School \$184

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:** March 29 – Lynn Koops

**HOSPITALITY COFFEE:** Adrienne Allison

March 22 – Melanie Schlatter

**LETTER WRITING:** Hoogeveen – John Tanis

Wah – Levi Allison

**CARE GROUP A:** January – April

**The Lord's Day**

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

Smith Center – 3:15 p.m. at SunPorch (Don Koops 785-346-4033)

Dispatch – 5:00 p.m. – church loft (Stacy DeBey)

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

**The Lord's Week**

Wednesday: 12:05 p.m. – Lenten Luncheon –

Rose Valley Free Methodist Church hosts at Downs UMC

7:00 p.m. – Ora et Labora; lesson 6; dev. – Lynn K.

7:00 p.m. – Cadets; snacks – Lynn Koops

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

Roundhouse Coffee & Cafe, Downs

6:00 p.m. – Downs Small Group at Rose Nyhoff's

(Mike Nyhoff 785-545-5285)

Friday: Agape Shop – Lynn Koops

Saturday: Agape Shop – Mary Rotman

**The Church Family**

Pastor Will will be on vacation from March 27-30. If you have a specific need during his absence, please contact an elder. Elder Don Koops will lead the service next Sunday. The General Fund balance at the end of February stood at \$147,600.80. Upon the recommendation of the Deacons, Council approved the closing out of the Dispatch YPS fund with \$1,000 given each to the Knight Club and ThereforeGo Ministries, and \$1,776.90 remitted to the Smith Center FCA. A report was received from the spring meeting of Classis Rocky Mountain. Pastor Tom Dykman plans to be here the weekend of April 26 to bring the message that morning. Plans for the appreciation luncheon for the Jewell County Road and Bridge Department employees on March 13, were reviewed.

Advance notice: Good Friday communion service at 7 P.M.

Easter sunrise service at 7 A.M.

Easter worship service at 10 A.M.

annual cleanup day Saturday, May 2

The Downs Small Group is again planning to participate in the Downs Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4. We will fill a large number of eggs with Bible verses and small prizes. Thanks to the Gideons, we have been able to hand out Bibles as well. We are asking for monetary donations so that we can also give away larger prizes such as pool passes and gift cards. If you are able to contribute, please contact Mike Nyhoff, Bonnie Tanis, or Matt Tanis.

Please have bulletin items to Stacy DeBey before Wednesday evening at 7:00 for next Sunday's bulletin.

### Resonate Global Mission

**Special opportunity to double your gift to Resonate** - From March 13 until April 30, your gift to Resonate's "Where Most Needed" fund will be matched by a generous group of donors, dollar for dollar, up to \$275,000! Take advantage of this opportunity and donate now, while your gift will go twice as far! [www.resonateglobalmission.org/double](http://www.resonateglobalmission.org/double)

### ReFrame Ministries

**Kids Corner Devotions: The Not-So-Triumphal Entry** - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "The Not-So-Triumphal Entry," at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net) Ever wonder why Jesus chose to ride a donkey? By selecting a donkey, he declared that he was there to get to work—God's work—and he was not threatening anyone. Donkeys are not flashy. Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) like KC's "Lent and Easter Collection."

### Thrive

**Beyond the Headlines: Faith, Community, and the Stories that Shape Us** - Join a new justice education series from Thrive, World Renew, and the Christian Reformed Centre for Public Dialogue. This four-part series explores immigration, food justice, climate justice, and gender justice through a biblical lens—equipping participants to recognize harmful narratives, understand root causes, and take meaningful, faith-informed action. Learn more and register today: [tinyurl.com/yrhe9a6b](http://tinyurl.com/yrhe9a6b)

### World Renew

**Position Opening: Director of Communications** – We are pleased to announce that the Director of Communications position at World Renew is now live! This full-time, hybrid role—based in Burlington, ON or Byron Center, MI—leads World Renew's voice, narrative, and public presence. The Director oversees brand storytelling, media relations, editorial direction, and a binational communications team, ensuring mission aligned, faith rooted, and ethical content. If you or someone you know is committed to mission driven communications, we encourage you to apply at <https://world-renew.breezy.hr/>

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(\*Please stand, as you are able.)

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship - Psalm 66:1-5

Shout for joy to God, all the earth!

**Sing the glory of his name;  
make his praise glorious.**

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

**So great is your power**

**that your enemies cringe before you.**

All the earth bows down to you;

**they sing praise to you,  
they sing the praises of your name."**

**Come and see what God has done,**

**his awesome deeds for mankind!**

\*God's Greeting – 2 Corinthians 13:14

\*Mutual Greeting

\*Songs - "Good to Me" *Lift Up Your Hearts* #620

"Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer" *Lift Up Your Hearts* #660

Prayer of Confession – "Not What My Hands Have Done"

*Lift Up Your Hearts* #624

Assurance of Pardon – Isaiah 43:1-7

God's Will for Us - Hebrews 12:1-3

\*Song of Response - "Jesus, All for Jesus" LUYH #738

Offering: General Fund

Congregational Prayer

\*Song of Preparation – "Open Our Eyes, Lord"

*Sing! A New Creation* #80

Scripture - 2 Corinthians 3:17-8

Sermon - "Faith Formation - Contemplating God"

Prayer of Application

\*Song of Response – "Knowing You"

\*Benediction – Matthew 28:18-20

\*Closing Song – "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

\*Postlude