

Dispatch Christian Reformed Church

August 9, 2026

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.

GREETERS: west – Dave & Stephanie Draayer
east – Dave & Jennifer Herredsberg Family

August 16: west – Roy & Stacy DeBey
east – Mike Nyhoff

USHERS: Matt Tanis & Bob Koops

NURSERY: Kat Brouwers & Lynn Koops

August 16 – Abigail Schlatter & Sherri Eakin

PIANIST: Sherri Eakin

SPECIAL OFFERING: KnightClub

OFFERING TOTAL: August 2 – General Fund \$3,525.00

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE: Mike Nyhoff

HOSPITALITY COFFEE: Mike Nyhoff

August 16 – Abigail Schlatter

LETTER WRITING: Hoogeveen – John Tanis

Wah – Roy DeBey

CARE GROUP B: May – August

COOKIES FOR AUG. 16: (4 doz. each) Jan K., Kat, & Adrienne

The Lord’s Day

The Lord’s Supper will be celebrated during this morning’s service. Visitors who are members in good standing of an evangelical Christian church are invited to join us.

Kareena and Kacee Herredsberg will give a report on their recent mission trip to Zambia in the fellowship hall after the service.

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

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting

Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. – Prayer Night

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 – Bonnie Tanis

Saturday: Agape Shop – Sherri Eakin

The Church Family

John Tanis and Mike Nyhoff arrived back from Pennsylvania on Tuesday evening. Thank you for your prayers. The medical supplies, equipment, food, and much more were loaded into a container and scheduled to leave the port this weekend. Arrival in Sierra Leone may be as early as September 1 or as late as Christmas. The Facebook page for the Sierra Leone project is “Safe Place Outreach Inc.”

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61573710115824&name=xhp_nt_fb_action_open_user

From John Wah and Pastor Tom: "Words cannot adequately express the gratitude that overflows in our hearts today. Sending those medical supplies all the way from Kansas to Reading, PA was not just a delivery; it was a lifeline. Because of your faithfulness, many families will go to bed full in the coming months. Many will receive the life-saving medical assistance they desperately need. You have been the hands and feet of something far greater than yourselves.

“While the families who benefit from your kindness may never know your names, we take comfort in knowing that God knows you. He sees every mile you traveled, every hour you gave up, and every moment of weariness you pushed through. And He will reward you accordingly. We also want to praise God for the traveling mercies He poured out over John and Mike's journey from the plains of Kansas to the streets of Pennsylvania. He went before you, protected you, and made a way. Great things He has done—and He used you to do them.”

If you have not yet come to a small group, you are certainly invited to come to this Bible study. You may talk to the coordinator, if you have questions. The next small group study on the Bible books of Micah, Zephaniah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Joel, and Obadiah entitled "God's Comfort for His People," developed by pastor-teacher John MacArthur, is available today in the Fellowship Hall. In this study MacArthur explores the work of the minor prophets and the hope that lives in their God-given inspired message.

from KnightClub: We are preparing for our annual fundraiser event - another pancake and sausage feed! Please help us spread the word and join us Sunday evening, August 16, at the Downs Roadside Park from 5-7 p.m. Freewill donation only. To-go boxes will be available!

If you are interested in supporting the students in other ways, we are using SignUp to organize our upcoming "5th Quarter" KnightClub events after the home football games! These events occur at Roundhouse Coffee on Main Street, Downs. Here's how it works in two easy steps:

- 1) Click this link to see our SignUp calendar: <https://signup.com/go/GDcaPjB>
- 2) Review the options listed and sign up the spot(s) where you would be willing to help.

RoundTable is our optional Sunday evening Bible Study for any 8-12th grade student wanting to learn more about faith and the Bible. We will kick off the semester on August 30 at 6 p.m. with a bonfire in the Christians family backyard. Please reach out for more details and let any youth know who might be interested! Our regular meetings occur on the 1st and 2nd Sundays of each month from 6-8:30 p.m. at RSeed east of Downs on Hwy 24.

The Worship Committee will be making a schedule for the children's messages for every other week. If you are interested in being added to the schedule, please contact one of the Worship Committee members: Pastor Will, Barb DeBey, Linda Groenendyk, Russell Groenendyk, Don Koops, or Emma Meyer.

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Talking about Sin: Tell and Show" at www.kidscorner.net What is the best way to apologize? Explore the two-step approach: First, tell God you are sorry and say it to the person you have hurt. Then get serious and show your "I'm sorry" by taking action. Check out the new Kids Corner Devotions app at <https://kidscorner.net/app>

Thrive

Faith Formation Tip - God invited his people Israel to model the kind of radical curiosity that recognized the image of God in every human being. For the most part, Israel had little success being curious about others, instead making their own lives their top priority. Their lack of curiosity blocked their ability to see their neighbors in the image of God. Still, the Lord kept his promise to make something out of them for the purpose of being a light of grace and blessing to all other peoples (Gen. 12:2-3). This week reflect on whom God has been asking you to be curious about. Reach out to those people whom God places on your heart, seeking to learn more about them and their life. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

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(*Please stand, as you are able.)

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship - Psalm 95:6-7

*God's Greeting – 2 Corinthians 13:14

*Mutual Greeting

*Songs - “Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down”

Lift Up Your Hearts #510

“Sing to the King”

Lift Up Your Hearts #474

Prayer of Confession - Nahum 1:2-7

Assurance of Pardon – Isaiah 49:13-15

Response to God’s Love - Isaiah 51:1-3

*Song of Response - “If You But Trust in God to Guide You”

Lift Up Your Hearts #407

Offerings: 1. General Fund 2. KnightClub

Congregational Prayer

*Song of Preparation – “Open Our Eyes, Lord”

Sing! a New Creation #80

Children’s Message – Mike Nyhoff

Scripture - Psalm 23

Sermon - “Trusting God, and Finding His Favor in Psalm 23”

Prayer of Application

“Behold the Lamb”

Lift Up Your Hearts #840:1

Communion - “Behold the Lamb”

Lift Up Your Hearts #840:2-3

*Benediction – Numbers 6:24-26

*Closing Song – “Behold the Lamb”

Lift Up Your Hearts #840:4

*Postlude