## <u>The Apostles' Creed</u>

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and buried. He descended into Hell. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy universal Church; the Communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

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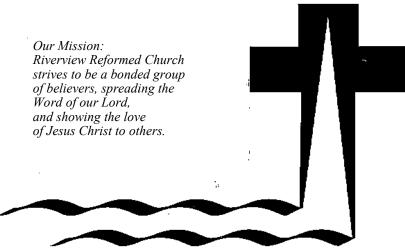
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Worship

Hospitality Missions

PLEASE HAVE ALL BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS in to the office by Wednesday afternoon.

<u>Check us out on Facebook:</u> www.facebook.com/riverviewreformedchurch <u>You may</u> e-mail messages to the church office at **rprc@iw.net** Check out our website at <u>Riverviewreformed.org</u> You can view the weekly bulletin and monthly calendar on our web page



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## SUNDAY, November 26, 2023

9:15 AM Pre-Service Prayer time - 9:30 AM Worship

<u>RRC VISION STATEMENT</u>: Riverview Reformed Church strives to be a bonded group of believers, spreading the Word of our Lord, and showing the Love of Jesus Christ to others by: offering dynamic Christian Education; reaching out to our community; providing facilities for ministry; building an involved closeknit congregation; and providing excellent congregational care.

### PRAISE GOD

### Prelude

Welcome

Life at RRC/Announcements

(Please sign the attendance pads in the pews)

\*Praise Song - "Lord, Be Glorified"

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In my life, Lord, be glorified today. In Your Church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In Your Church Lord, be glorified today.

\*Praise Song - "Let It Be Said of Us"

Let it be said of us that the Lord was our passion, That with gladness we bore ev'ry cross we were given, That we fought the good fight, that we finished the course, Knowing within us the pow'r of the risen Lord.

REFRAIN: Let the cross be our glory, and the Lord be our song; By mercy made holy, by the Spirit made strong. Let the cross be our glory, and the Lord be our song; 'Til the likeness of Jesus be through us made known. Let the cross be our glory and the Lord be our song.

Let it be said of us, we were marked by forgiveness, we were known by our love, and delighted in meekness. We were ruled by His peace, heeding unity's call, joined as one body that Christ would be seen by all. *REFRAIN*...

\*Praise Song - "Praise & Thanksgiving" (to the tune of "Morning Has Broken") Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer for all things living, you have made good: harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard, hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

God, bless the labor we bring to serve you, that with our neighbor we may be fed. Sowing or tilling, we would work with you, harvesting, milling for daily bread.

Father, providing food for your children, by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share one with another, so that, rejoicing with us, all others may know your care.

Then will your blessing reach ev'ry people, freely confessing your gracious hand. Where you are reigning, no one will hunger; your love sustaining showers the land.

### \*Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn #52	6 "Come Ye Thankful People" (Red Hymnal)	
Scripture Lesson -	Acts 2:1-12	F

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### HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

MESSAGE:	"Reaching Heaven"	0
Scripture Lesson	- Genesis 11:1-9	Page 15
Pastoral Prayer /L	.ord's Prayer	

### GIVE TO GOD

OFFERING, Our Response to God's Love \*Doxology \*Offertory Prayer

### GO WITH GOD AND SERVE

\*Closing Hymn #557 (BLUE hymnal) "In Thanksgiving Let Us Praise Him" \*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction - "Go Now In Peace"

Go now in peace, Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

\*PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

ORGANIST: Teresa Gall LAY LEADER: Janet Ries HYVEE CARDS: Gina Haak

PIANIST: Laura Weins GREETERS: Rempps & Doyle Guthmiller OPEN/CLOSE: Weins

# WELCOME!!

THANK YOU for being here this morning!! It was a joy being with you!

<u>A Children's Worship Bulletin</u> is on the foyer table for any younger children to use during the Worship Service.

<u>A nursery</u> is available down the hallway past the water fountain for young children to use during the morning worship.

### God will be speaking to you today...but not by cell phone.

Please turn your phones off or set to vibrate during the worship service

**<u>Please Remember</u>** although we aren't passing the offering plates, PLEASE deposit your offerings in the plates by the sanctuary doors on your way into the sanctuary at the beginning of the service, or you can still send your offerings to the church thru the mail, bring them at any time and slip them in the mail slot of the door on the south west corner of the sanctuary (behind the piano area), or you can ask one of the deacons about the on-line giving site https://tithe.ly/widget/v3/give.js?3 which is also available on the church website

<u>For where two or three are gathered</u> together in my name, there am I in the midst of them. Matthew 18:20 (KJV)

**PRE-SERVICE PRAYER TIME** We have our pre-service prayer time on Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM before the Worship Service, meeting in the Adult Sunday School Room area. All are welcome to join in prayer for the service.

You can see RRC Church Services broadcast on your Public Access Channels in Yankton on Saturday evenings at 7:00 PM

# RIVERVIEW KIDS NEWS:

**\*\*The Children's Christmas Program** at RRC is scheduled for Sunday, **December 10**. It will be held during the regular Sunday morning service. Practices for this program will take place during the Sunday School hour November 19, November 26 and December 3. It would be very helpful if children could attend Sunday School on these dates to help us prepare for the program.

\*\*We would also like to have at least 6 children to do a small "Happy Birthday, Jesus" program during the <u>Christmas Eve service at 5 PM on December 24</u>. Please let us know by December 1 if your children will be able to attend so we can make further plans.

**Thank you** to everyone who supplied a box for Operation Christmas Child. Twenty one boxes were taken for collection to Calvary Baptist Church.

November 13 Consistory Report: Devotions came from Ecclesiastes 3:1-14 where we talked about how there is a time for everything with some of us talking about the struggle between holding on to things and letting other things go, others discussed the time to just be and be thankful for that, while also talking about the beauty and gift of time, lastly took time to recognize in God things can endure forever, God's timing vs. ours, and let us seek God's will in the time we have now. The Elders discussed what was going on in various members' lives that as spiritual leaders we needed to be aware of and we are sending a last letter to reach out to people who haven't responded about their membership and relationship to RRC going forward. The Deacons discussed how things are going with our new snow removers, television in the nursery is mounted waiting to be hooked up, Mission of the month going to Christmas boxes and sponsoring gift boxes for Contact Center, and current finances with checking \$32,661.27, HyVee \$16,029.70, and Youth \$993.46. For the rest of Consistory, we discussed a date change for Ministry team meeting from January 17 to January 10, starting a prayer group to pray for RRC's future and a possible Retreat as well. There will be a December 4 meeting with other pastors from the area about pursuing intentional change for a church which will be our December Consistory Meeting.

**PRAYER OPPORTUNITY:** As we, the Consistory, pray for the future of RRC, we want to invite you to pray with us. Every day we challenge people to set aside time at 3:05 PM to pray for our church. We chose that time as we reflected on John 15:05 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." Through prayer may we remain in Jesus together and bear fruit in his name.

# Elected to Consistory for 2024 at last weeks Congregational Meeting

Elders—Jim DeBoer and Doyle Guthmiller; Deacon - Dan Cwach. Remaining on Consistory will be Elders Terry Poelstra, Dave Reck & Janet Ries and Deacons Rod Gall, Colleen Palmer & Gina Haak. Off going Consistory are Elders Alan Egge and BJ Weins and Deacons Lisa Pibal and Renae Bouza.

**Available on the foyer table**: Brochures from "Freedoms Gate Church" led by Pastor Jason Wiersma, and "Living Stone Prison Church" led by Pastor Dan Ebbens. Pick them up and check out what these local Ministers are leading

**Calvary to Host Promise Keepers Event:** All area men are invited to a special men's Promise Keeper event at Calvary Baptist Church in Yankton on Friday, December 1. A meal will be served at 5:30 PM followed by the simulcast event "Daring Faith" which will connect thousands of men across the country as they challenge each other to take the first step toward a more courageous and bolder life, lived in Jesus. The evening will include good food, music, fellowship and great messages by speakers including Stephen A. Smith, Curtis Martin, Rick Burgess, Ken Harrison, and more. There is no cost to attend and all men are welcome. Please contact the Calvary Church office at 605-665-5594 if you would like to register, so they know how many to prepare for.

## COMING EVENTS ... This week at RRC

### Today, Sunday, November 26

9:15 AM Pre-Service Prayer time 9:30 AM Worship service in building and via: live stream 10:45 AM Riverview Kids (Christmas Rehearsal) 10:50 AM Adult Sunday School Classes

### Monday, November 27

9:30 AM Women's Exercise Class 7:00 PM Boy Scouts

### Wednesday, November 29

9:30 AM Women's Exercise Class 7:00 PM Youth Group at CTK

### Thursday, November 30

9:00 AM Decorate the church for Advent

### Friday, December 1

9:30 AM Women's Exercise Class 4:00—6:00 PM MOPS Event (Movie Night)

### Next Sunday, December 3 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:15 AM Pre-Service Prayer time
9:30 AM Worship in building and live-stream COMMUNION Lay Leader - Alan Egge Open/close Building - Baltzers HyVee Cards—Patty Stuelpnagel Greeters—Janet Ries & Egges
10:45 AM Riverview Kids (Christmas Program Rehearsal)
10:50 AM Two Adult Sunday School Classes

### LOOKING AHEAD:

Sunday, December 3—Isaiah 40:1-11 (HOPE) Mark 1:1-8 (1st Sun. of Advent) Sunday, December 10—Isaiah 42:1-17 (JOY) Psalm 96:1-13 (2nd Sun. of Advent)

## LIFE AT RRC

WEEKLY OFFERINGS: October 29: Regular Offering - \$2701.35; Building - \$150.00 November 1: Tithely—\$75.00 November 5: Regular Offering - \$2743.00; Building - \$50.00 November 8: Tithely—\$150.00 and Thrivent Grant - \$33.00 November 12: Regular Offering - \$2730.00 November 15: Tithely—\$75.00, \$50.00 November 19: Regular Offering - \$2881.00; Building - \$100.00 To fully support the budget, offerings need to average \$3200 weekly (These amounts do NOT include offerings made thru on-line giving)

**Don't forget**—**HyVee Cards**...a fundraiser for the Building fund. HyVee cards are available during the week when the office is open or on Sunday mornings before the worship service in the Foyer

English Cleric William Farrar wrote: "I am only one, but I am one; I cannot do everything, but I can do something; What I can do, I ought to do. And what I ought to do, by the grace of God, I will do"
 With that being said, please prayerfully consider where you can help out at RRC. It's a privilege to share your gifts with the family of God and RRC. There are so many opportunities to serve here at RRC—find a place where you are comfortable. From Lay leaders to organists, piano players, praise song leaders, greeters, Power point helpers, Sound System, teachers, Nursery sitters, opening/closing, Fellowship hosts, prayer warriors (including pre-service prayer time). Pray, and ask God where he would have you serve and be a blessing to others in the family of God at RRC. And if you aren't comfortable being on a rotation schedule, let us know if you are willing to be a substitute, to fill in here and there when needed. The more people involved, the lighter the load. When you choose where to share your gifts, the office or a Consistory member can connect you with a mentor.

**December 2023** calendars and birthday/anniversary lists and monthly schedules are available on the foyer counter for those who wish to take them home.

**Our Nursery is growing!** We are looking for people who love kids to spend time with our littlest members age 5 and under in the nursery. We would love to have 2 people per week for the safety of our workers and kids. Anyone age 12 and up is welcome. We will pair younger helpers with adults as needed. Parents of little ones, we'd love for you to be a part of our team as well! Contact Laura Weins (605-680-4683) or Danielle Van Der Linden (402-276-5039) if interested in joining our nursery team

**Next Ladies Night Out** will be Wednesday, December 6, at 5:30 PM at Murdo's. A sign up sheet is on the foyer table.

### <u>CHRISTMAS CAROLING</u> <u>December "Family Night",</u> Wednesday,

December 13. Meet at church at 5:15 PM. We will be going to Majestic Bluffs and Walnut Village to do some *CHRISTMAS CAROLING*. Then meet back at the church for taverns, chips, & fellowship. All are welcome to join us for the meal. Please sign the sheet on the foyer table for planning purposes!!

## Come Help Decorate the Church for Advent

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30 - 9:00 AM. All are welcome to come and help decorate the church. The more the merrier, and will make easier work for all. **ALSO**—start thinking of Poinsettia donations to help decorate the church. You can bring poinsettias at any time. If you wish to donate a poinsettia in honor of or in memory of, please notify the church office, and the names will be printed on Christmas Eve.

**Yankton Area Women's Connection Presents** "Christmas Time's A Comin'!" Join them for a night of music, fun, and lots of Christmas joy! Speaker will be Jan Schiferl "A Change of Plans". Jan will give a humorous and inspiring look into those times when things just don't seem to go as we hoped. Tuesday, December 12, 6:30 PM at the Gathering Grounds (215 Walnut) \$10 includes meal and program. College-age and younger attend December's meeting free of charge. Reservations are required—cancellations are essential. RSVP by December 7 to 402-254-2102 or 605-660-0378. Free on site child care by reservation, also.