

November 2, 2008 **Morning Worship** 9:30 a.m.

ACTS OF ENTRANCE

Prelude
Welcome
*The Lord's Greeting
Pastor: May the grace, mercy and peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
People: And also with you. Amen.
*Mutual Greeting
*Call to Worship
*All Sing: Celebration 210 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*
*Prayer of Adoration
*All Sing: Celebration 809 *God of Our Fathers*
Celebration 767 *For All the Saints*

SERVICE OF CONFESSION

Christian Living
Prayer of Confession
All Sing: (song sheet) *God, Whose Love Is Always Stronger*
Prayers of the People
The Offering: General Fund and Ministry Shares
(Children's Worship Dismissal – 2-5 yr. olds)

SERVICE OF THE WORD

All Sing: Psalter 84 *God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength*
Scripture: (pg. 1764; 1927) Romans 13:1-7; Revelation 13
Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Sermon: **GOD AND POLITICS**

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

*All Sing: (song sheet) *In Times of Great Decision*

ACTS OF DISMISSAL

***Pastor:** Go forth into the world to love and serve the Lord Jesus Christ and may his presence and his power and his peace go with you. Amen.
***People:** Amen! Thanks be to God!
*All Sing: Celebration 2:1&3 *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*
Postlude

Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

ACTS OF ENTRANCE

Prelude
Welcome
*The Lord's Greeting
*Mutual Greeting
*Call to Worship
*All Sing: Psalter Hymnal 314 *Come, Thou Fount...*
Celebration 308 *There is a Redeemer*
*Prayer of Adoration

SERVICE OF PROFESSION

*Our Testimony: The Apostles' Creed
*All Sing: Celebration 410 *Standing on the Promises*

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Scripture: (pg. 1824) Ephesians 6:10-18
Sermon: **THE BATTLE**

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

*All Sing: Celebration 731 *Onward, Christian Soldiers*
Prayers of the People
The Offering: Education Assistance

ACTS OF DISMISSAL

*All Sing: Psalter 326:1 *Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name...*
*Benediction
*All Sing: Psalter 326:2 *Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name...*
Postlude

*Please stand, if able

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GREETERS: a.m., Doug and Jeanne DeMann, Jason Westendorp; p.m., Steve and Jeanine VanderKam. Next week: a.m., Cameron and Kristie Tuinstra, Bruce Aukema; p.m., Marion and Mary Visser.

USHERS: Rob Vandenberg, Steve and Chad VanderKam. Next week: Brian Westendorp, Jason Westendorp, Dan Wubben.

NURSERY: a.m., Dawn Anderson, Joanne and Jackie Klaasen; p.m., Sue and Angie Tiemeyer. Next week: a.m., Karen, Cheryl and Christine DeJager; p.m., Jeanine VanderKam, Lacey Smith.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: Denise Leep, Ann Smit, April Wubben. Next week: Mary Bouman, Shelby Quick, Leah Wubben.

LIBRARY: a.m., Linda DeYoung; p.m., Angie Tiemeyer. Next week: a.m., Ida Westendorp; p.m., April Wubben.

CORRESPONDENCE: Bob Haveman – Rev. DeYoung; Casey Houseman – Rev. Meyer; Dan Jager – Chip Nightengale; Joan Kammeraad – Josh Shaarda; John Katje – Jeremy Leep; Bob Katje – Adam Rook.

OFFERINGS: a.m., General Fund and Ministry Shares; p.m., Education Assistance. Next week: a.m., Building Expansion; p.m., CRWRC.

COUNCIL MEMBER PRAYER REQUEST: This week please remember to pray for Wayne Leep as well as the entire council for strength to perform their duties.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

FOR PRAYER: Hank Korringa had discouraging news this week that the cancer in his esophagus has spread. Surgery is not an option presently. He and Judy will consult an oncologist this week. Pray for Hank and Judy as they consider how the Lord is leading them.

BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS: Our sincere best wishes to John Teune as he commemorates his 88th birthday today. We pray for God's continued blessing on another milestone in his life.

OUR CHURCH WEEK

Sun: Fellowship Coffee
SS & Catechism

Tue: Election Day – **Be sure to vote!**

Wed: 9:30 Coffee Break &
Story Hour

6:00 GEMS

Thur:

7:00 Evangelism Comm.

SPECIAL NOTES

THIS WEEK: Our attention will be focused on Tuesday's National election and the results. It is important to keep in mind that "no matter who wins at the ballot box, Jesus is still Lord of the universe." Our world belongs to God.

THIS EVENING: Welcome to Mr. Curt DeVries who will lead us in worship.

DON'T GIVE UP GIVING IT UP!: If you've been working through this year's World Hunger devotionals you've learned that there are lots of great ways we can give it UP to help hungry people around the world. Don't forget to bring your Peter Fish bank to church **next week** for World Hunger Sunday so that you can give up your offerings.

FROM THE EVANGELISM COMM: The Committee is thinking of sending letters/cards to our service personnel at Christmas time. Those on the correspondence list will be automatically included. If you know of any other members of the church family, please so indicate to the Evangelism Committee as we don't want to miss anyone.

CALENDARS: God's creation calendars are on sale from the youth group. Limited number available. Order form and sample calendar on narthex shelf.

CHRISTMAS TEA HOSTESSES: If you are willing to be a Hostess for the Christmas Tea (scheduled for December 9) please sign up in the narthex. If you have any questions, please see Carolyn VDM, Rena or Marcia.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS: Every year, the Meeter Center gives two scholarships to high school seniors. Awards are payable to student tuition accounts at Calvin, Dordt, King's (Canada), Redeemer (Canada), Kuyper, and Trinity. The topic is "Would John Calvin's Ideals of Government Work in Today's North American society". Entry deadline: Jan. 15. For application: calvin.edu/meeter/scholarships/highschool_award.htm

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM EMCS: East Martin Christian Elementary Boosters is having a Pancake Supper on **Tuesday, November 4, from**

4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Red Barn Restaurant. Go cast your ballot and join us for a pancake supper (pancakes, eggs, sausage links, milk, juice and coffee). Donations accepted.

FROM KAZOO CHR. HIGH SCHOOL: KCHS needs a full time Night Custodian beginning immediately. Time: 3 – 11:30 p.m. five days a week while school is in session. For an application or info contact Connie VanDerSlik at 269-381-2044 or email an inquiry or resume at cvanderslik@kcsa.org. Applications due November 7.

SENIOR LUNCHEON: Martin School Board extends an invitation to senior citizens of the Martin School District to a special Thanksgiving luncheon on Tuesday, Nov. 25, in Brandon Elementary Wyatt Center. A family style luncheon with all the traditional fixings will be served at 12:30 p.m. You may call Carolyn Bouman at 672-5469 or the school at 672-7194 by Nov. 24 for a reservation.

Our World Belongs to God

Government

52. We obey God first;
we respect the authorities that rule,
for they are established by God:
we pray for our rulers,
and we work to influence governments—
resisting them only when Christ and conscience demand.
We are thankful for the freedoms
enjoyed by citizens of many lands;
we grieve with those who live under oppression,
and we seek for them the liberty to live without fear.

53. We call on all governments to do public justice
and to protect the rights and freedoms
of individuals, groups, and institutions
so that each may do their tasks.
We urge governments and pledge ourselves
to safeguard children and the elderly
from abuse and exploitation,
to bring justice to the poor and oppressed,
and to promote the freedom
to speak, work, worship, and associate.