

**Morning Worship ~ 9:30 AM
September 28, 2025**

God Gathers Us into Worship

Prelude
*Call to Worship
*Opening Song: CH 56 vs. 1-2 *To God Be the Glory*
*Prayer
*Mutual Greeting

We Lift Our Voices to God in Worship

*Songs of Praise: CH 526 *The Solid Rock*
LUYH 682 *Before the Throne of God Above*
Reading of the Law/Christian Living

We Respond Through Prayer

Praises and Prayer Concerns
Congregational Prayer
Offering East Martin Christian School

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Scripture: **John 14: 6** (P. 1675)
Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Message: **Solus Christus (In Christ Alone)**
*Song of Response LUYH 770 *In Christ Alone*

God Blesses Us as We Go Forth in Mission

*Parting Blessing
*Closing Song CH 56 v. 3 *To God Be the Glory*

*Please stand if able

**Evening Worship
6:00 PM**

God Gathers Us into Worship

Prelude
*Call to Worship
*Opening Prayer

We Lift Our Voices to God in Worship

*Opening Songs: CH 225 *Come, Christians Join to Sing*
CH 401 *The Church's One Foundation*
*Apostles Creed

We Respond Through Prayer

*Song of Prayer CH 79 *My Jesus, I Love Thee*
Praises and Prayer Concerns
Congregational Prayer
Offering Back to God Ministries

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Scripture: **Ephesians 4:1-16** (P. 1821)
Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Message: **One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church**
Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 21 (Page 27 back of the psalter)
*Song of Response LUYH 727 *Christian Hearts in Love United*

God Blesses Us as We Go Forth in Mission

*God's Parting Blessing
*Closing Song LUYH 938 *My Friends, May You Grow in Grace*

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Christian Reformed Church

Loving God by Loving Others

OUR VISION

Our purpose, having been called by Christ to a life of service, is to glorify God through Biblical worship, strengthening and enriching one another in the Christian life, and sharing Christ's love through word and deed in faithful witness, both within our congregation and outside our fellowship.

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COUNCIL MEMBER PRAYER REQUEST

Please pray for God's guidance and direction for Vern Klaasen this week.

OFFERINGS

Today AM: East Martin Christian School
PM: Back to God Ministries
Next Week AM: General Fund/Ministry Shares
PM: Luke Society

GREETERS

Today AM: Dennis & Linda DeYoung, Vern Klaasen
PM: Bob & Ruth Katje
Next Week AM: Joel & Jen DeYoung, Tim Westendorp
PM: Glenn & Nancy Leep

LIBRARY

Today Nancy Tuinstra
Next Week Carolyn VanderMeulen

NURSERY

Today Laura DeMaagd
Next Week Riley and Addison Tuinstra

USHERS

Today Thomas Westendorp, Bruce Aukema, Randy Bouman
Next Week Joe DeKoekkoek, Kevin DeKoekkoek, Chase DeMaagd

LORD'S SUPPER: December 14

	<u>OUR WEEK</u>	September 28, 2025
<u>Sunday</u>	8:00 AM	Prayer Group
	10:30 AM	Fellowship Coffee
		Sunday School
	7:30 PM	Youth Group
<u>Monday</u>	6:30 PM	Women's Bible Study
<u>Wednesday</u>	9:45 AM	Coffee Break
	6:30 PM	GEMS/Cadets
	7:00 PM	Men's Bible Study

Responsive Reading of the Law as Fulfilled in Christ Alone

Leader: You shall have no other gods before me.

People: Christ alone is Lord, and in Him we worship the one true God.

Leader: You shall not make for yourself an idol.

People: Christ is the image of the invisible God, and in Him we see the Father truly.

Leader: You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

People: In Christ every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Leader: Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

People: Christ is our rest; in Him we cease from our works and enter God's eternal Sabbath.

Leader: Honor your father and your mother.

People: Christ obeyed His earthly parents and perfectly honored His heavenly Father, that in Him we might be counted obedient children.

Leader: You shall not murder.

People: Christ laid down His life for us, and in Him we receive new hearts that love even our enemies.

Leader: You shall not commit adultery.

People: Christ is the faithful Bridegroom who loves and purifies His church as His bride.

Leader: You shall not steal.

People: Christ, though rich, became poor for our sake, so that in Him we might share the riches of God's grace.

Leader: You shall not give false testimony.

People: Christ is the truth, and in Him no deceit was found; by His Word we are made children of light.

Leader: You shall not covet.

People: Christ is our all in all, teaching us that life does not consist in possessions but in knowing Him.

Confession of Sin

**O Lord, we confess our wandering hearts,
We have sought other gods and bowed to idols.
Our lips have spoken what should not be said,
Our hands have harmed and our eyes have strayed.
We have stolen, deceived, and desired what is not ours,
And we stand guilty before Your holy law.**

Assurance of Pardon

**Yet Christ has fulfilled every command for us,
He bore our curse and carried our shame.
The faithful Son has honored His Father perfectly,
The true Bridegroom has cleansed His bride in love.
By His death we are pardoned, by His life we are made new,
And in Him alone we are declared righteous forever.**

Announcements

Ladies Evening Bible Study: We meet this Monday, Sept. 29 at 6:30 pm.

Men's Bible study will be starting up October 1 at 7 pm. They meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. They are finishing the David study, so if you would like to join, ask Keith Smit for a book. It's a great way to study God's Word and fellowship with fellow brothers in Christ.

PRAYER PARTNERS NEEDED: Our 2025-2026 GEMS season had a wonderful kick-off this week! So far, we have 4 new girls signed up to attend. Therefore, Amy is looking for more Prayer Partners. Ladies, if you are willing and able to send a monthly note and pray over one of our GEMS girls, please see Amy to sign up to be a Prayer Partner.

There will be a lunch on October 12 with the Shaardas. If you would like to bring a dessert, there is a signup sheet in the narthex.

There is a signup sheet in the narthex for those that would like to go on or get more information about the church spring break trip being planned for this coming springtime. Many details are yet to be determined but if God is leading you to be a servant to others in this way, sign the sheet to stay informed as details are confirmed.

Cookie Time – we will be providing cookies for our single high school graduates and service members. If you are willing to bake cookies, please sign the sheet in the narthex. We will need approximately 24 dozen cookies. Please indicate the kind of cookies you will make so we have a variety. If you can't bake but would like to help, cracker packs or Kind bars are always welcome. We will pack the boxes on October 14. Please indicate if you can help with that also.

Parents and Grandparents: It has come to the attention of the Council that children are found to be playing in areas not meant for such activity. The church is not a playground and not meant for running or climbing. Classrooms are set for their various classes and shouldn't be disturbed. The sanctuary and its instruments hold the purpose of worship and while we encourage children in there during times of worship, we discourage its use for hide and seek. Thank you.

We are officially less than 2 weeks away from the 82nd Annual Harvest Sale for EMCS! Please contact Jennifer Tuinstra (269) 779-2323 if you have any last minute donations that need to be added. We look forward to seeing you Saturday, October 11! Doors open at 4 pm. Dinner is at 4:30 pm-6:30 pm. Silent Auction at 4 pm and Live Auction starts at 5 pm.

Mid-America Reformed Seminary invites you to join us this fall as Dr. Eric Watkins leads a 4-part evening class, Walking By Faith: The Life of Faith in Hebrews 11. Together we'll explore this powerful chapter of Scripture and learn what real faith looks like as it clings to God's promises in both light and darkness. Classes will meet on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. (central; Sept. 25, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, and Dec. 11) and will include two 45-minute sessions with a short break between. The class is free and registration is available both on campus and via livestream. Register today at www.midamerica.edu.

Cooler weather drawing near means Soup-Tober is here. Project Hope is partnering with ACFPC for the 2025 Soup-Tober Drive – October 1st thru October 31st. They will be accepting donations in three different ways: monetary donations can be made to Project Hope, 1808 143rd Ave., Dorr MI 49323 – note in memo "Soup-Tober"; soup donations can be dropped off at Project Hope 1808 143 Ave., Dorr MI 49323 during business hours; donate to alleganfoundation.org. Thank you in advance.

Sermon Series: Reformation Month: Courageous For the Faith
Sermon Title: Solus Christus (In Christ Alone)
Sermon Text: John 14:6

1. Jesus the Way — our only access to God.

2. Jesus the Truth — our only foundation in God.

3. Jesus the Life — our only hope in God.

Reformer: Ulrich Zwingli (1484–1531)

The Swiss Reformer, preached that salvation is in Christ alone and that Scripture is the church's sole authority. His ministry in Zurich brought sweeping reforms—he opposed indulgences, rejected the mass, and placed the preaching of God's Word at the center of worship. In 1519, when the plague struck Zurich, he stayed to care for the sick and nearly died himself, an experience that deepened his conviction that only Christ saves. Though he later died in the Battle of Kappel in 1531, Zwingli's legacy endures in the Reformed tradition, calling the church back to the truth of Solus Christus.

Sermon Series: The Heidelberg Catechism

Sermon Recap: Lord's Day 20 proclaims the comforting truth that God has sealed His people with the Holy Spirit, as Paul teaches in Ephesians 1:13–14. The Spirit is not a force but true and eternal God, personally given to unite us to Christ, share in all His benefits, comfort us in weakness, and remain with us forever. Just as a seal in the ancient world signified ownership, authenticity, and security, so the Spirit marks us as God's own, assures us that we belong to Christ, and guarantees our eternal inheritance. Our salvation does not rest on the strength of our hold on God but on His unbreakable grip on us—so that all glory may be His alone.

Sermon Title: One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church

Sermon Text: Ephesians 4:1–16

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 21

I. The Church Is One — Flowing from Her Catholicity

II. The Church Is Holy — Flowing from Her Catholicity

III. The Church Is Apostolic — Flowing from Her Catholicity