

**Morning Worship ~ 9:30 AM
October 19, 2025**

God Gathers Us into Worship

Prelude
*Call to Worship
*Opening Song: CH 370 *Rejoice, the Lord is King*
*Prayer
*Mutual Greeting

We Lift Our Voices to God in Worship

*Songs of Praise: LUYH 656 *God Himself is With Us*
LUYH 623 vs. 1-3 *God Be Merciful to Me*
Reading of the Law/Christian Living

We Respond Through Prayer

Praises and Prayer Concerns
Congregational Prayer
Offering *General Fund/Ministry Shares*

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Scripture: **Luke 15:11-32** (P. 1624)
Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Message: **Sola Fide (Faith Alone) - The Other Prodigal Son**
*Song of Response: LUYH 407 *If You But Trust God to Guide You*

God Blesses Us as We Go Forth in Mission

*Parting Blessing
*Closing Song CH 597 vs. 1, 5-6 *Take My Life and Let It Be*

*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 491 vs. 1, 2, & 4 *Jesus, I Come*
CH 492 vs. 1, 2, & 4 *At Calvary*
*Apostles Creed

We Respond Through Prayer

*Song of Prayer CH 488 *Just As I Am, Without One Plea*
Praises and Prayer Concerns
Congregational Prayer
Offering *Wycliffe*

God Speaks to Us through His Word

Scripture: **1 John 3:20** (P. 1901)
Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Message: **Though My Conscience Accuses Me**
Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 23 (Page 30 back of the psalter)
*Song of Response CH 572 vs. 1 & 2 *Blessed Assurance*

God Blesses Us as We Go Forth in Mission

*God's Parting Blessing
*Closing Song CH 572 v. 3 *Blessed Assurance*

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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 Don Wubben this week.

OFFERINGS

Today AM: General Fund/Ministry Shares
PM: Wycliffe

Next Week AM: General Fund/Ministry Shares
PM: Elim Christian School

GREETERS

Today AM: Steve & Sara Heffron, Don Wubben
PM: Wes & Darlene Leep

Next Week AM: Joan Kammeraad and Nancy Minegar, Harold Wykstra
PM: Dave & Karen Misner

LIBRARY

Today Ida Westendorp

Next Week Rena Lynema

NURSERY

Today Rebekah Westendorp

Next Week Jen, Violet, Willow Tuinstra

USHERS

Today Levi DeYoung, Sam DeYoung, Jonathan Kalkman

Next Week Bob Katje, Bram Katje, Wes Leep

LORD'S SUPPER: December 14

OUR WEEK October 19, 2025

<u>Sunday</u>	8:00 AM	Prayer Group
	10:30 AM	Fellowship Coffee
		Sunday School
	7:30 PM	Girl's Youth Group
<u>Monday</u>	7:00 PM	Building Committee
<u>Tuesday</u>	7:00 PM	Worship Committee
<u>Wednesday</u>	9:45 AM	Coffee Break

Responsive Reading of the Law in the Light of Faith Alone (Responsively)

Leader: You shall have no other gods before me.

People: By faith alone, we trust in the one true God, who justifies the ungodly through Jesus Christ.

Leader: You shall not make for yourself an idol.

People: By faith alone, we behold the unseen God revealed in the face of Christ, and turn from all false images.

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

People: By faith alone, we call upon the name of the Lord with reverence, believing that His name saves.

Leader: Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

People: By faith alone, we rest from our works and find our righteousness in Christ, our perfect rest.

Leader: Honor your father and your mother.

People: By faith alone, we receive our adoption as God's children and walk in humble obedience.

Leader: You shall not murder.

People: By faith alone, our hearts are renewed by Christ's love, that we may walk in peace and forgiveness.

Leader: You shall not commit adultery.

People: By faith alone, we are united to Christ, the faithful Bridegroom, and made pure by His righteousness.

Leader: You shall not steal.

People: By faith alone, we trust God's provision and live freely to share with others what He provides.

Leader: You shall not give false testimony.

People: By faith alone, we confess Christ as Lord and speak truth from hearts made righteous by Him.

Leader: You shall not covet.

People: By faith alone, we are content in Christ, our greatest treasure and everlasting reward.

Confession of Sin (Unison)

O God of faithfulness, we confess that we have trusted in ourselves rather than in You.

We have sought righteousness through our own efforts, and have doubted Your promises of mercy in Christ.

Forgive us, Lord. Strip us of self-confidence, and clothe us with the righteousness of Your Son, that we may live by faith in the One who loved us and gave Himself for us.

Assurance of Pardon (Responsively)

Leader: Hear the good news:

The righteous shall live by faith.

Through faith in Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven, your debt is cancelled, and His righteousness is counted as yours.

People: Thanks be to God!

By faith alone we are justified.

By faith alone we are made new.

By faith alone we will enter into life everlasting.

All articles for the Echoes are due today.

If you would like to provide a meal or dessert for the youth group, there is a signup sheet in the narthex. Thank you in advance.

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 Rebekah Westendorp after church today.

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.

East Martin Christian School is looking for a part-time janitor up to 15 hours a week. Please contact Aften at aveenstra@eastmartin.org or call 269-672-5722 for more information.

Dorr CRC invites you to their craft show on November 1st, 9 am-2 pm. There will be a large variety of crafts available as well as baked goods.

Join Wayland CRC on November 9th at 3:00 p.m. for their 5th annual Veterans Honored Hymn Sing. A love offering will be taken to provide Bibles for children and youth around the world. Stay afterwards for fellowship, coffee, and cookies.

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: Sola Fide (Faith Alone) - The Other Prodigal Son
Sermon Text: Luke 15:11–32 Part 2

I. What Legalism Really Is — The Lostness of the Older Brother
A. Legalism turns obedience into a transaction.

B. Legalism blinds you to your own need for grace.

II. What True Faith Is — The Freedom of the Father's Love
A. Faith begins when we stop performing and start trusting.

B. Faith rejoices in the Father's joy.

Reformer: John Knox (1514–1572)

John Knox, the Reformer of Scotland, proclaimed that sinners are justified by faith alone—not by works, penance, or priestly power, but by trusting in Christ's finished work. Shaped by the Reformation in Geneva, he returned to Scotland preaching that true faith receives the righteousness of Christ freely given. Though threatened by queen and crown, Knox stood firm, declaring that even the weakest faith in Christ is stronger than the might of kings. At his death, he rested not in his labors but in his Lord, trusting that salvation is by faith alone in Christ alone.

Sermon Series: The Heidelberg Catechism

Recap of Lord's Day 22: The sermon proclaims that the promise of "life everlasting" in John 3:16 is not merely a hope for heaven but the full redemption and restoration of all creation. Grounded in the Heidelberg Catechism, it affirms that everlasting life means the resurrection of both body and soul, the complete renewal of our humanity through Christ's victory over death. Eternal life begins now through faith, as believers already taste the joy of knowing God in Christ, and it will be perfected when all things are made new. This hope transforms how Christians live, suffer, and grieve, reminding us that because of God's love and Christ's finished work, death has lost its sting and joy will one day be full in the presence of God forever.

Sermon Title: Though My Conscience Accuses Me

Sermon Text: 1 John 3:20

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 23

1. The accusing voice of the conscience

2. The greater verdict of God

3. The peace of being declared righteous in Christ