



MIDDLEBURG FREE GRACE

REFORMED CHURCH

Knowing Jesus and making Jesus known



Pastor Mark Schwarz

WELCOME

WE ARE SO GLAD YOU ARE HERE TO WORSHIP WITH US!

WORSHIP

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

Prelude - Haley Broersma

Praise & Worship

Come As You Are

Goodness of God

His Mercy is More

***Prayer**

Children's Message - Kaylee Moss

Announcements

Ministry of Music - Bethany Van Voorst & Bailey Stetson

Congregational & Offertory Prayer

Hymn #348 - My Savior's Love (vs. 1,2,4,5)

Message - Habits of a Loving Heart

Hymn #508 - Love Lifted Me (vs. 1-2)

***Benediction**

Hymn #508 - Love Lifted Me (vs. 3)

Postlude

FELLOWSHIP WITH US

A special welcome to our visitors! If you are a visitor, we would like to make contact with you. Please fill out a "Welcome to the Family" card located by the sanctuary doors and leave it on the table or put it in Pastor Mark's church mailbox. Thank you for coming! Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall today to enjoy coffee, lemonade & cookies.

** Please stand if you are able*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Consistory Selection

October 2 is the deadline to submit your ballots for our new consistory members. An informational letter and ballot is in your mailbox. Those who are ineligible are Jon Mortenson, Wayne Vander Maten, Rus Verburg, Ken Gerling, Loren Te Slaa, Harlan Huitink, Evan Kraayenbrink, Dilan Moss, Justin Draayer, Brad Wielenga, Eric Mulder, Joseph Kooiker, Billy Kooiker Jr., Steven Broersma, Dan Oolman.

Operation Christmas Child

We will be collecting items to fill boxes this fall. As you do your back-to-school shopping, consider picking up an extra box of crayons or pencils. There will be a table in the Fellowship Hall to drop off your donations.

Thank you

To the committee that planned the Church Carnival, we want to thank you. It was a fun event for all! We appreciate your time and efforts put in to make it a fun evening for families of all ages!

LifeWise Thank you

We want to thank Middleburg Church for all of the donations for LifeWise. We will be picking the last donations up September 9.

—LIFEWISE STAFF

CONNECT WITH US!

If you are new and wish to get connected with MFG
Scan the QR Code.



PRAYER CONCERNS

Let us remember our friends and family in our prayers:

- Del Vander Schaaf who has been diagnosed with a brain tumor. He is now living in Marquette, MI, with his family. His neurosurgeon recommends removing the tumor followed by radiation to the site and oral chemotherapy. Surgery is currently set for August 30th. Uphold Del and his family in your prayers. If you would like to send him a card, his address is Huron Woods Dr. 235, Marquette, MI 49855.
- Brock Lehman & Barby Schwarz as they recover from cancer treatments.
- Scott Kooiman, son-in-law of Wrede & Barb (Kooiker) Vogel, was diagnosed with colon cancer and is now on hospice. Pray for him and his family at this time.
- Lucille Van Zee and Harriet Vander Zwaag, our elderly and "home-bounders."

LOCAL EVENTS

September 9 - Keys to Dementia Prevention Class

Sioux Center Health and Community Health Partners of Sioux County are hosting a Keys to Dementia Prevention class. This program is designed for people ages 50+ with no previous dementia diagnosis. Learn the 10 lifestyle factors that are proven to prevent or delay dementia. The class will begin September 9, running every Monday from 9:30-11:30am until November 11 at Crown Pointe – The Gathering Place. During the 10-class program, enjoy brain healthy snacks, educational materials and one-on-one time with subject-matter experts. Register by calling CHP at 712-737-2971 or email angela.loutsch@siouxcountychp.org. There is a \$40 fee per participant, but \$20 will be refunded to any registrant that completes 8+ classes. Registration deadline is September 4.

September 9 & 10 - Grip, Grit, and the Gospel Event

Bible league dinner and conference for men and women on Monday, September 9 from 6 - 7:30pm will be our dinner at fellowship, Tuesday, September 10 from 9:30-3pm will be the conference both of these activities will take place at Bethel Christian Reformed Church. Keynote Speakers Craig & Molly Sanborn. Craig and Molly Sandborn's love for laughter, each other, and Jesus is contagious! Connection well with audiences of all ages, their common theme is the necessity to be join with Christ and committed to His word. Registration is due September 3 and the cost is \$45. If you choose to only attend the conference—no lunch the cost is \$35. Register online at bibleleague.org/tickets or call 708-367-8921 between 8:30-4pm.

September 14 - Hope Haven Talsma ATV & Horse Ride Benefit

Ready for an adventure? Bring your ATV's, side by sides, dirt bikes, or horses and join Hope Haven for their Talsma Benefit Ride at Talsma's Trail Park on Saturday, September 14. Talsma's Trail Park is an ATV park located along the Missouri River in Southeast South Dakota. Trails range from easy to extreme, and include creek crossings, scenic river bluffs, open prairies, river bottom terrain, and more. Don't miss this fun opportunity to support Hope Haven International Ministries! For more details, visit hopehaven/events.

October 11-13 - Inspiration Hills Middle School Retreat

We have an upcoming Middle School Retreat we're hosting here at Inspiration Hills! The event will be taking place on October 11-13 and is a great opportunity for any 6th-8th graders in your church to come attend. The 3-day weekend will include snacks and food cooked fresh by our kitchen staff, Bible studies, and various activities unique to the Autumn season! It's a great way for campers to encounter Christ in a fun environment. The price is \$185 per camper, but scholarships are available on our website as well. To learn more about the retreat, visit inspirationhills.org/msretreat.

GET INVOLVED

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 8 - Sunday School begins

Sept. 15 - Children & Worship begins

Sept. 18 - Wednesday Night Activities begin

Sept. 29 - Movie Night

Celebrate!

BIRTHDAYS

Sept. 3 - Sharon Vander Wilt

Sept. 3 - Brad Wielenga

Sept. 4 - Jacob Broersma

Sept. 4 - Jovi Broersma

Sept. 4 - Bill Schuiteman

Sept. 4 - Shelly Kraayenbrink

Sept. 5 - Justin Draayer

Sept. 7 - Ashley Schuiteman

Praise Team Opportunity

Do you enjoy singing or playing a musical instrument? Are you high school age or older? We would love for you to share that talent and join our praise and worship team! Contact Becky Kooiker (712-441-6510, kooikerb@mtcnet.net) to get included in our next worship schedule!

Life Group Sign-up

Groups will start on September 15. Anyone interested in joining a life group, please sign up on the MOVE table. Sign-ups go through the month of August. The existing groups from last year will remain the same.

Tuesday AM Bible Study

We will start our study time on Sept. 3 at 9am with "The Faithful Old Testament Heroes of the Faith". Our study will include sessions on Gideon, Esther, Nehemiah, Hosea and Malachi, each led by a different speaker. All women are invited as we learn together and share a time of prayer for the needs and joys of our members. Contact Beth Kooiker if you have any questions.

Tuesday Evening Bible Study

Ladies! Join us on Tuesdays beginning September 3rd from 4-5:30pm at the home of Mark and Barby Schwarz. We will study the book of Revelation and share a time of praying together (*homework is optional*). Call or text Barby at 559-553-5897 if you have questions or want to join. We will not be gathering Sept. 10 or 17 due to Mark and Barby being gone on vacation.

The Habits of a Loving Heart

*"Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.
Love never fails." – 1 Corinthians 13:7,8*

(Ph) *"Love knows no limit to its endurance, no end to its trust,
no fading of its hope. It can outlast anything!"*

THE SECRETS OF LASTING LOVE:

Develop habits that refresh us _____.

- Rest - *"It's senseless for you to work so hard from early morning until late at night ... God wants (you) to get your proper rest."* Ps 127:2
- Balanced Diet
- Regular Exercise - *"Honor the Lord with your body."* 1 Corinthians 6:20b

Develop habits that recharge us _____.

- Solitude - *"Because so many people were coming and going ... Jesus said to them, 'Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.'" Mark 6:31*
- Recreation - *"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it abundantly."* John 10:10
- Laughter - *"A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones."* Proverbs 17:22

Develop habits that renew me _____.

- A daily quiet time - *"Take the time and trouble to keep yourself spiritually fit."* 1 Tim 4:8
- LIFE Group - *"... let us encourage one another ..."* Hebrews 10:25
- Worship - *"I will sing of Your strength in the morning. I will sing of your love, for you are my refuge in times of trouble."* Ps. 59:16

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JESUS
LOVES
ME

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Pianist - Haley Broersma
Sound Tech - Garret V.W.
Power Point Creator - Nelva H.
Children's Message - Kaylee M.
Ministry of Music - Rich Kooiker
Ushers - Ken G. & Darren B.
Prayer Team - George M. & Billy K.
Coffee, Lemonade, Cookies -
Shelly K; Brittany H; Kristen K.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Karen S; Joslin H; Caden K.

ELDER GREETERS

George(E); Pastor(S); Rus(W)

NEXT SUNDAY

Pianist - Nora Verburg
Sound Tech - Bryce H.
Power Point Creator - Mark D.
Children's Message - Rus V.
Ministry of Music - Frank Van Der Wilt
Ushers - Justin R. & Paul O.
Prayer Team - Rus V. & Justin D.
Special Offering - Talking Bibles International
Coffee & Lemonade - Beth K.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Beth K; Jaxon R; Lily L.

ELDER GREETERS

Evan(E); Rus(S); Pastor(W)

OUR LEADERSHIP

ELDERS

Rus Verburg
Jon Mortenson
George Miller
Evan Kraayenbrink
Loren Te Slaa

DEACONS

Justin Draayer
Eric Mulder
Billy Kooiker, Jr.
Steven Broersma
Dan Oolman



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Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m. go to our Facebook Page to view our live stream services

Please have your bulletin announcements and notices sent to our church email by 8pm on Wednesday.