

MORNING ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 2, 2025 – 9:30 A.M. – GEMS Sunday

Pastor Jon Spronk

CALLED TO WORSHIP

Prelude: Maggie McMahan, Lila Clingan, Raegan De Groot,
6th Grade Trio (Kahlen Kamp – violin, Peyton Veenstra –
saxophone & Louise Vermeulen – piano),
Josie Hessing and Leah Spronk

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*Praise Songs: *"No Longer Slaves"*
"Goodness of God"

GEMS Litany

Led by the 8th Grade GEMS Praise Team

Ministry of Music: *"The Truth"* by Megan Woods

CALLED TO GRATITUDE

Congregational Prayer

Offering: GEMS (Local)

Offertory: GEMS Power Point Presentation

Prayer of Thanks

CALLED TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

*Song of Preparation: *"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"*

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:12-17, pg. 1757

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 9

Sermon: **"I BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER"**

Prayer of Application

*Song of Response: *"Children of the Heavenly Father"*
LUYH #23:1-4

CALLED TO GO AND SERVE

*Benediction

*Doxology: *"My Friends, May You Grow in Grace"* LUYH #938

*Postlude

Cheryl Groenenboom, Service Pianist

AFTERNOON ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 2, 2025 – 12:45 p.m.

Pastor Jon Spronk

SERVICE OF ADORATION

Prelude: Ben Spronk, organist

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

arranged by Archie Nibbelink

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

*Song of Praise: *"Crown Him with Many Crowns"* LUYH #223:1-4

*God's Greeting

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING AND PRAYER

Psalm 46 (vs. 1-10 responsively, vs. 11 all)

Psalm Song: *"God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength"*

LUYH #432:1-5

Congregational Prayer

SERVICE OF THE WORD

*Profession of Faith: *Apostles' Creed*

*Song of Preparation: *"Spirit of the Living God"* LUYH #749:1-2

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading: Exodus 18, pg. 115

Sermon: **"FAMILY REUNION AND FATHERLY ADVICE"**

Prayer of Application

*Song of Response: *"Family of God"* – 2x #282(R)

SERVICE OF DEDICATION

*God's Parting Blessing

*Parting Song: *"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"*
LUYH #946:1

*Postlude: *"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"*

Our offering this afternoon is for Benevolence.

*All who are able are asked to stand.

Sunday, March 2, 2025

We warmly welcome all those who are worshipping with us today.
May we be blessed as we worship the Lord together.

SERVICE NOTES

Today is GEMS Sunday. We welcome the GEMS & their counselors and thank them for taking part in our worship this morning. Please join us for coffee time in the fellowship hall following the service. A Youth Groups Update from GEMS, Cadets and IGNITE will begin in the sanctuary at 11:00 a.m. and we will end with an 11:30 potluck lunch for everyone.

You are invited to a combined annual Day of Prayer service to be held in our church on Wednesday, March 12, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Pastors Jonathon Spronk, Erik Kamp and Douglas Van Der Pol and the Elders of both churches will lead us in this time of reflection and prayer for God's continued blessings. We invite you to stay after the service for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

BLESSINGS & CONCERNS

Kelsey De Groot, daughter of Rich and Belinda, was hospitalized last Saturday for treatment of a blood clot in her lung. She was able to return home on Tuesday where she continues to recover.

Marilyn Vos was in Pella RHC on Sunday & Monday for testing due to some medical issues she's been having. She is currently waiting for results.

Please keep the following members who are in Nursing Homes or Care Centers in your prayers:

~ **Elizabeth Boender** (Oskey C.C.)

~ **Brant Bruxvoort** (Crystal Heights)

~ **Bert & Elaine Bandstra, Jim & Marilyn Brummel &**

Marion & Dorothy Vos (Homestead)

~ **Keitha Troxel** (Northern Mahaska)

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Saif & Jaynee Grafke** who were blessed with a daughter, Sage Willow Rae Grafke, on Saturday, Feb. 22. She was also welcomed home by big brother, Kase. Everyone is doing well.

NEXT SUNDAY – March 9

AM PIANIST: Shirley VD

PM PIANIST: Keri S

PM STUDENT PIANIST: None

OFFERINGS: Lake View Bible Camp & Christian Education Fund

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TODAY:

- 9:00a Prayer Group Meets
- 9:30a Morning Worship Service
- 10:45a Fellowship Time
- 10:45a NO Sunday School
- 11:00a Updates from GEMS, Cadets and IGNITE Youth Group
- 11:30a Potluck Lunch – C.G.'s 8 & 9
- 12:45 Afternoon Worship Service

MONDAY – FRIDAY:

- 9-11:30a Office Open
- 6:00 Deacon & Elder Meetings
- 6:30 Friendship Class
- 7:00 Council Meeting

TUESDAY:

- 5:45 Coffee Break & Story Hour

WEDNESDAY:

- 1-3 Games Day
- 6:00 Gene available to cut out cars if needed
- 7:00 Cadets & GEMS
- 7:00 IGNITE Youth Group

THURSDAY:

- 9:30a Coffee Break
- 12:00 Bulletin & Supplement Deadline –
firstercosky@gmail.com

- 5-9 Love, INC Foundation Classes

SATURDAY:

Spring Forward before you go to bed 😊

SUNDAY: (9th)

- 9:00a Prayer Group Meets
- 9:30a Morning Worship Service
- 3:00 Homestead: Dan McK, Cal B, Joel G, Arvin VE,
Kurtis DB, **Rich DB**, Ruth G, Marvin DB

ACTS OF SERVICE

SOUND SYSTEM

MAR. 2 – Leon VK MAR. 9 – Dan F

LIVE STREAM

MAR. 2 – Luke B MAR. 9 – Natalie P

PROJECTION

MAR. 2 – Renee VK MAR. 9 – Lisa DB

NURSERY

3/2 AM – Bethany DB(L)

Cayden P

Molly C

3/9 AM – Karen DB

Nick S

Cora DG