

September 29, 2024

*Carmel's mission is to further Christ's Kingdom
through loving God and loving others.*

MORNING WORSHIP (9:30)

Prelude: *Jamie Van Voorst*

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Christian Greeting

*Worship Songs: *"Holy Forever"*
"So Will I (100 Billion X)"

Invocation

Ministry in Music: *Art Van Ravenhorst*

Congregational Prayer

Song: *"Speak O Lord"*
(Offerings for the General Fund & Christian Care Fund)
(Please pass the Guest Registers during this time)

Scripture: Genesis 2:15-17; Genesis 3:1-7

Message: **"Understanding The Enemy's Tactics"**

Closing Song: *"Ancient Words"*

*Benediction

Postlude: *Jamie Van Voorst*

(*please stand if you are able)

EVENING WORSHIP (6:30)

Prelude: *Jamie Van Voorst*

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Worship Hymns: #596 *"Leaning On The Everlasting Arms"*
#559 *"All The Way My Savior Leads Me"*

Invocation

Responsive Reading: #1261 Selection #47
"Peace With God"

Congregational Prayer

*Hymn: #437 *"Trust and Obey"*

Scripture: Proverbs 3:5-6

Message: **"Finding The Source Of Wisdom"**

Closing Hymn: #99 *"He Leadeth Me"*

*Benediction

Postlude: *Jamie Van Voorst*

(*please stand if you are able)

God has gathered us here out of all different circumstances. Whether you carry joy or heaviness in your heart, I encourage you to lay it at the feet of Jesus. Give your whole self to God in worship. Welcome. Please join us for refreshments after the morning worship service.

Thank you to *Art Van Ravenhorst* for his ministry in music this morning.

Guest Register: During the first offering this morning, please sign and pass the "Guest" Register down the row. Once it reaches the end and members and guests have signed, please pass it back to the center.

TODAY

10:45 a.m.—**Sunday School**

Preschool-1st grade meet in the music room.

2nd-6th grade meet in the sanctuary.

Lesson: “*God Is Present With Us*”

Sunday School Guide Class meet in the library.

10:45 a.m.—**Bibles presented to 9th Graders**

During the Sunday School hour meet in the Chapel.

6:30 p.m.—**Sr. RCYF**

Nursery Attendants: Sara S., Lexy V.G., Slayden S., Ava S.

Door Attendant: Dan. **Ushers:** Orlin (M), Sean (NE), Marlin (SW). **Audio:** Warren. **Video:** Dale. **Power Point:** Tonia.

After Service Greeters: Shawn & Dennis (M), Jerry (NE), Dan (SW).

THIS WEEK

Monday, September 28

9:00 a.m.—**Women’s Bible Study**

Please enter through the main doors.

Wednesday, October 2

7:00 p.m.—**Prayer Meeting**

Women’s Bible Study

Wednesday Night Activities

Lesson: “*Jacob Returns to Canaan*”

NEXT SUNDAY, October 6

Nursery Attendants: Rachel Van Roekel, Brynn Van Voorst,

Ruthie Vanden Brink, Morgan Terpstra. **Door Attendant:**

Willard Hulstein. **Ushers:** Colten Smolders (M); Jerry

Wolfswinkel (NE); Eric Van Meeteren (SW). **Refreshments:**

Tony Rau, Jack Soodsma. **Cookies:** Frieda Bartels, Colleen

Bomgaars, Lin De Jong, Sue Dorhout, Hazel Haverhals. **Special**

Music: Dan Fedders. **Special Offering:** Christian Care Fund.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Uphold in Prayer

Pastor Ross and Stacey Hoekstra has Stacey is 33 weeks pregnant and on bed rest for the rest of the pregnancy.

Kraig Hulstein is in the hospital for diverticulitis.

Colleen Bomgaars fell and broke her wrist, she is recovering from surgery.

Harold Vander Vliet is recovering from surgery.

Vicki Vander Lugt is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

Zane White is recovering from a seizure and battling an ear and lung infection.

Lloyd De Jong is recovering from open heart surgery.

Arda Van Regenmorter is recovery from toe surgery.

Kyle Van Ginkel serving in the army.

Praying for our local congregations: This week please be in prayer for God’s blessing for the Christ The King Catholic Congregation and Father Mauro Sanchez.

Please help us to help you: When you have an illness, accident, upcoming surgery, birth or death in the family, or other needs, please notify one of the elders or the church office.

Thank you to everyone for your help and patience through the carpet installation! We appreciate all of you for giving up your time to move items around these past two weeks. Thank you!

“We wish to thank our church family for the many ways you all walked with our family in the weeks and months after Hannah’s stroke in the beginning of July. Life has slowly returned to “normal”. Your prayers, words of encouragement, gifts of food, and visits have been such a blessing. We have much to praise God for, and we give thanks for this community.”

-Matt & Hannah Smolders

Notice: As announced, **the voting process remains the same as it has in the past.** The consistory thanks you all for your input on the proposal, and when its revisited, we will better inform the congregation, bring the congregation alongside to vote on the proposal, and begin the process earlier in the year. Nomination ballots for Elders and Deacons are in your mailbox and you are encouraged to **fill them out!** All communicant members of Carmel are eligible to nominate. Please prayerfully consider this matter and return your completed ballot to the box in the narthex by Sunday, October 10.

Next Sunday is World Communion Sunday. By God's Grace, we will celebrate the Sacrament together. Any shut-ins or those in the nursing homes who would like communion served to them, please contact an elder or the church office.

Ballots for CWM (Carmel Women's Ministries) officers are in your mailbox. Place your completed ballots in the box (marked CWM Ballots) on the Coffee Station by Sunday, October 6.

If you did not pick up your sub sandwiches yesterday please pick them up today in the kitchen.

With so many who have lost so much— Carmel Sunday School is going to be doing a boot and sock drive! We are looking for new or gently used boots of all sizes (please make sure all used items are washed). We are also looking for toddler and youth size socks!

Do you have questions? All of us at some point, and throughout our Christian walk, have questions about the Bible or the Christian faith. It's a normal, healthy part of maturing in Christ. I (Pastor Ron) would like to know what your questions are to help answer those so we can all learn and grow in our faith where we may have had some difficulty before. Put your questions in my church mailbox, or get them to me personally. Bible verses can still be submitted too.

22:6 Group has frozen sweet corn available for purchase in the Moses Room freezer. It is \$10/bag. Please pay when you pick up the corn.

Are you looking for a way to serve in Carmel Church?? We are looking for a few more people who would be willing to serve refreshments on Sunday morning. Contact the church office at 712-722-2733 or email carmelch@mtcnet.net if you are willing to serve.

ATLAS is hosting a mentor training on October 15 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Whether you would like to learn about mentoring for ATLAS, or another relationship, we would love to have you join us! To sign up call 712-722-4900 or email mentors@atlasofsiouxcenter.org

It has now been several weeks since the flooding and water damage occurred in our different communities. There will be a special offering today for flood relief going to the Christian Care Fund.

Your Carmel Church Consistory is aware that some of our members were among those that were affected by this event. If you are affected and are a member of Carmel Church, your Carmel Church Family is here to help.

As you have or will incur expenses related to the damage in your home, the realization of the different repairs and replacement costs for what was damaged or lost will come to light. Your Carmel Church Consistory wants to make sure that you are aware that some financial help is available through the Christian Care Fund to give you some assistance for the damage or loss you incurred.

The recent "FORE Our Friends in the Rough" golf outing fundraiser funds were set aside in the Christian Care Fund for this help. Please reach out to Ryan Oostra, Nate Van Ginkel, Dan Fedders, or to your care Elder/Deacon and let us know that you would like some financial assistance or even if you are just in need of prayer. Any assistance you receive from the Christian Care Fund is given anonymously.

We need to know if you would like assistance on or before Friday, September 27. Funds will be distributed starting on September 30.

Any funds not distributed to Carmel Church Members will then be distributed to different churches in Rock Valley for the churches to use as their consistory deems best.

Attention: All bulletin articles need to be submitted to the office by 2:00 pm on Thursdays.

Thank you for all the donations so far. Winter Warm Up is super excited for all that we have given. If you have not had the chance to donate you still have time. We will stop taking donations on Friday, October 11 so we can get them sorted. Please note that you can still donate with donations of cash as well as via the QR code below.

Winter Warm Up has announced their annual distribution for Saturday, October 26. We will be setting up on Friday, October 25 at Kinsey Elementary.

We may be looking for some volunteers to do both the distribution and the setting up. If you are wanted to help with either day please let Jennifer Prins know or you can sign up at the Coffee Station.

Reminder there is still plenty of time to donate
Gently used/ New coats up to size XL Adult
Blankets
Waterproof gloves
Make sure that all items are washed up.S
If you want, you may also donate using PayPal QR code.



GENERAL FUND GIVING: Offering : \$1,535.00
Fiscal YTD General Fund offering: \$214,032.94