October 26, 2025

Reformation Sunday

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

MORNING WORSHIP (9:30)

Prelude: Shelly Robyn

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Christian Greeting

*Worship Songs: "Amazing Grace My Chains Are Gone"

"I Speak Jesus"

Invocation

Congregational Prayer

Hymn: #463 "More Love To Thee"

(Offerings for the General Fund & Missionary Support) (Please pass the Guest Registers during this time)

Scripture: Philippians 1:1-18

Message: "What Began Will Continue"

*Closing Song: "I Am Not My Own"

*Benediction

Doxology

Postlude: Shelly Robyn

(*please stand if you are able)

Song sheets are available for those who are unable to see the screen.

EVENING WORSHIP (6:30)

Prelude: Shelly Robyn

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Worship Hymns: #352 "Victory In Jesus"

#668 "The Church's One Foundation"

Invocation

Responsive Reading: "Nicene Creed"

Congregational Prayer

*Hymn: #85 "Amazing Grace"

Scripture: Jeremiah 23:16-32, 1 Corinthians 4:6

Message: "Sola Scriptura"

Closing Hymn: #30 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

*Benediction

Postlude: Shelly Robyn

(*please stand if you are able)

Welcome to worship on Reformation Sunday. We rejoice in God's unchanging Word and saving grace. Please join us for refreshments after the morning and evening worship services.

This evening a special welcome to the Free Grace Reformed Church of Middleburg. On this Reformation Day Sunday, may God be praised and honored as we worship together. Please join us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall after the service.

Guest Register: During the 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: "Jesus Taught about Behavior" Sunday School Guide Class meet in the library.

4:45 p.m.—JR RCYF at Tom & Misty's House

Carmel area students meet at church at 4:45 p.m.; Sioux Center area students meet at Matt & Hannah's house at 4:45 p.m.; Hull area students meet at Tom & Misty's house at 5:00 p.m. for a fun-filled evening at Tom & Misty's house. Sponsors will take students home around 8:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m.—SR RCYF

Nursery Attendants: Jami S., Kristi S., Ava S., Jennie B. <u>Door Attendant</u>: Larry. <u>Ushers</u>: Mitch N. (M), Todd N. (NE), Trevor P. (SW). <u>Refreshments</u>: Glenda V.M., Gene S. <u>Audio</u>: Warren. <u>Video</u>: Laura. <u>Power Point</u>: Eric. <u>After Service Greeters</u>: Brian & Leon (M), Pastor Ron (NE), Shawn (SW).

THIS WEEK Monday, October 27

9:00 a.m.—Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, October 28

6:30 p.m.—CWM Meeting

This is for all current members as well as newly elected members

Wednesday, October 29

7:00 p.m.—Wednesday Night Activities K-12th Grade

"Israel Crosses the Jordan"
Adult Bible Study

RVL Discipleship: The Study

Women's Bible Study

Thursday, October 30

1:00 p.m.—Make Pigs-in-the-Blanket.

We need some willing workers to help make pigs. If you can give a couple hours of your time it would be greatly appreciated. Come when your schedule permits. We generally finish by 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 1

8:00 p.m.—Packaging Pigs-in-the-Blanket.

We need some willing workers to help package pigs.

NEXT SUNDAY, November 2

Nursery Attendants: Hannah Smolders, Rachel Van Roekel, Elyse Zwart, Kinlee Wolfswinkel. <u>Door Attendant</u>: Dan DeMeester. <u>Ushers</u>: Brady Punt (M); Loren Punt (NE); Sean Robinson (SW). <u>Refreshments</u>: Doug Van Beek, Hans Smolders. <u>Cookies</u>: Sandi Vonk, Anita Van Ravenhorst, Rachel Terpstra, Amy Rozeboom, Teresa Sandbulte. <u>Special Music</u>: Brad Oostra. <u>Special Offering</u>: Katelyn's Fund.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Uphold in Prayer

Carter De Jong is recovering from surgery on his leg. Marcella Langstraat is at Pleasant Acres.

Beth Te Grotenhuis is receiving chemotherapy treatments.

Sue Noteboom remains at Sioux Center Health.

Ashley Vande Vegte is receiving chemotherapy treatments.

Please keep *Middleburg Free Grace Church* in your prayers as they look for a pastor.

Kyle Van Ginkel serving in the army.

Praying for our local congregations: This week please be in prayer for God's blessing for the Amistad Christiana Congregation and Pastor Eddy Olguin.

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.

At the elders meeting, it was their joy to receive the membership of Clara Smith from Faith Reformed Church of Rock Valley, IA.

The newly elected CWM (Carmel Women's Ministry) officers are Janice Luevano-Secretary; Geneva Van Kekerix and Jazmine Koedam-Decorating; Lin De Jong and Becky Vanden Brink-Service; Rachel Van Roekel and Tami Ronning-Nominating Committee.

If you would like the consistory to consider a specific subject for the agenda at our Annual Congregational Meeting in November, please submit your request to a consistory member by November 9. Only items placed on the agenda are eligible for action by the congregation.

Attention Treasurers: Financial Report Forms <u>must be</u> <u>turned in</u> by Monday, November 3. You may put them in the church office mailbox.

Attention all singers! Do you like to make a joyful noise to the Lord? If you're interested in using your musical gifts to serve the congregation, please sign up at the Coffee Station by today.

Hard copies for the November *HIGHLIGHTS* are available on the Coffee Station.

The online giving platform is available for your convenience. Offerings can be made securely through our website at carmel-church.org. We are deeply grateful for your continued generosity and support.

Memory Loss Support Group will be meeting on Wednesday, November 5 from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at Hegg Health Learning Center. The topic we will sharing on is *Handling the Holidays with Dementia*. For more information or to RSVP please contact Melinda Faber at 712-476-8068.

The Consistory would like to remind the congregation that October is Pastor Appreciation Month. We would like to encourage you all to reach out to Pastor Ron and Karen with a token of appreciation to say thank you for the tireless work to make an impact for the Kingdom of God, by serving our congregation and the surrounding community. Most importantly continue to support them by praying for Pastor Ron and Karen as together they serve God and this church.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Stop at the table in the Fellowship Hall and pick up a red and green GO box. Fill it with toys and other presents and you have an extraordinary gift for a child in need of joy and hope. How to pack a shoebox brochures are on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Carefully read & follow the instructions (regular size shoeboxes, please). Also on the table are sheets with ideas of what to put in the shoe boxes as well as what NOT to put in the boxes. "Let's Be Friends!" and "All About Me" sheets that your kids can fill out and include in your box can also be found on the table. DON'T FORGET to include a \$10 donation per shoebox gift which is critical to help cover shipping and other ministry expenses. Please bring your filled shoe boxes to the church by Sunday, November 16.

<u>GENERAL FUND GIVING</u>: Offering: \$9,051.71 Fiscal YTD General Fund offering: \$335,477.77