

" . . . how much more will your Father in heaven
give good gifts to those who ask him!"
Matthew 7:11

August 17, 2025

Order of Worship

Morning Service

Welcome and Announcements

We Come to Worship

Opening Prayer

*Opening Song ~ 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

*Call to Worship ~

Leader: Come to the Lord, who is rich with grace;
approach our God, who is full of mercy.

People: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; in you I trust,
O my God.

Leader: Show us your ways, O Lord, guide us in your
truth. For you are God, our Savior.

People: I will praise you with all my heart and sing to
your name. I will lift up my eyes to see the goodness
of the Lord.

*Song of Praise ~ CH 210 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*God's Greeting

*We Greet One Another

Psalm of Praise ~ Psalm 8

Video Song ~ Who You Say I Am

Message for the Children

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Call to Confession ~ 1 John 1:9

Leader: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all
unrighteousness.

Prayer of Confession ~

Leader: Wondrous God, we confess that at times our
doubts and fears override our hope and faith. Forgive
us when we think we've exhausted Your love for
us . . . when we surrender to worry and despair . . .
when we forget the depths of your goodness.

Time of Silent Confession ~

Leader: We give thanks for Your Son, Jesus, that
through His death and resurrection we know Your
perfect love and goodness to us. We have peace with
You, our Abba Father, and with each other. By the
presence of Your Holy Spirit, renew Your joy in us.

**People: Remind us that You offer abundant life
both here and in the life to come. To the glory of
our risen Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray, Amen.**

Song of Reflection ~ Christ Our Hope In Life and Death

Words of Assurance ~ from Isaiah 40

Leader: Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.
Speak tenderly and proclaim to her that her hard
service has been completed, that her sin has been paid
for. The glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all
people will see it together. For the mouth of
the Lord has spoken.

People: The word of our God endures forever.

*Reader 1: With whom, then, will you compare God? Do
you not know? Have you not heard? Has it not been
told you from the beginning? Lift up your eyes and
look to the heavens: Who created all these?*

Leader: He who brings out the starry host one by one
and calls forth each of them by name. Because of his
great power and mighty strength, not one of them is
missing.

*Reader 1: Do you not know? Have you not heard?
The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the
ends of the earth.*

Leader: He will not grow tired or weary, and his
understanding no one can fathom. He gives
strength to the weary and increases the power of the
weak.

**People: We at times grow tired and weary, and
we stumble and fall.**

Leader: But you who hope in the Lord will renew your
strength. You will soar on wings like eagles; You will
run and not grow weary, You will walk and not be
faint.

Congregational Prayer

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

God's Word for Us

*Song ~ CH 11 Come Thou Fount

Scripture Reading ~

Old Testament: Psalm 123

New Testament Lesson: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Message ~ Eye Level

Prayer

*Song ~ CH 572 Blessed Assurance

We Depart to Serve

*God's Parting Blessing

*Closing Song ~ My Friends May you Grow in Grace

RUDYARD CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
THE SUNDAY BULLETIN – August 17, 2025

Nursery is provided in the Educational Building for children up to age three.

Attendants today: Alison Cheney, Wanda Mitchell, Lila Tuzinowski, and Neveah Beelen

Next week: Krystal English, Amber Tuzinowski, Sarah Hoolsema, and Becky Borowski

Junior Worship is provided in the Educational Building for 3, 4, and 5 year olds not yet in school. They will be dismissed before the morning sermon.

Helpers today: Kathy Borowski, Kyle Postma, and Lily Lubben

Next week: Lauren Borowski, Ashlyn Mitchell, and Halle Rogers

Please stay after the morning service for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

Offerings today: A.M. – General Fund

Next week: A.M. – General Fund

2025 Amount Budgeted Weekly for General Fund: \$4338; Building Fund: \$1154.

August 10 Offerings:

General Fund: \$5267; Building Fund: \$310.

THIS WEEK – August 17 - 23

TODAY:

- We welcome Matt Stith as he delivers the message this morning.
- We will have a church potluck at the grounds on Thompson Rd. Gather at 4:00, eat at 5:00. Hot dogs will be provided. Bring your own chair.

MONDAY:

- **Happy Birthday** to Cynthia English!

WEDNESDAY:

- **Women's Prayer Group** will meet in the Council Room at 10:00 am.

SATURDAY:

- **Happy Birthday** to Deb Berkompas!

FAMILY NEWS

~ It's almost time for the fair again! Rudyard Christian School is looking for volunteers to help scoop ice cream (no experience needed). The sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex. See a board member for questions. Thank you for your support!

~ We are starting our Annual Community Outreach to help support our local public elementary school teachers. In the narthex is a display board with items to help supply their classrooms. Please consider helping with this by purchasing items listed on the bells or by making a monetary donation. Items should be turned in by August 24. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Borowski. Thank you.

Please join our prayer team in the library every Sunday from 9:00 – 9:20 am as we pray for our church, our Council, and our church family.