

“And the God of all grace,
who called you to his eternal glory in Christ,
after you have suffered a little while,
will himself restore you
and make you strong, firm and steadfast.”
1 Peter 5:10

October 19, 2025

Order of Worship

Morning Service

Welcome and Announcements

We Come to Worship

Opening Prayer

*Opening Song ~ CH 105 We Will Glorify

*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.

People: For you are God, my Savior. I will praise you with all my heart.

*Song of Praise ~ CH 104 v 1-4 O Worship the King

*God's Greeting

*We Greet One Another

Psalms of Praise ~ from Isaiah 43

Reader: But now, this is what the Lord says—
he who created you, he who formed you:

“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

When you pass through the waters,

I will be with you;

and when you pass through the rivers,

they will not sweep over you.
When you walk through the fire,
you will not be burned;
the flames will not set you ablaze.

For I am the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior;
you are precious and honored in my sight,
and I love you,

Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will gather you
from afar, everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made.”

I, even I, am the Lord, and apart from me there is no savior.

Song ~ CH 748 I Am His and He Is Mine

Message for the Children

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Prayer of Confession ~

Leader: Almighty God, You ask us to take courageous steps of faith. We want to follow You, but when the way is unknown, we often hold back. Sometimes we are afraid; we worry and become anxious. Other times we'd rather stay in control, thinking we know better than You. Forgive us for choosing to rely on our own understanding instead of Your wisdom. Shepherd us, O Lord, especially when we are faced with the burdens we would not have chosen.

People: Comfort us, and remind us that You are always with us, through Christ our Lord we pray, Amen.

Song of Reflection ~ Your Will Be Done

Words of Assurance ~ based on Q & A 27, 28
Heidelberg Catechism

Leader: The Providence of God is His almighty and ever present power. In His hands He holds heaven and earth and all creatures. He rules so that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty— all things, in fact, come to us not by chance but by His fatherly hand.

People: With this knowledge, we can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing in creation will separate us from his love. For all creatures are so completely in God's hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.

Congregational Prayer

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

God's Word for Us

*Song ~ Afflicted Saints to Christ Draw Near

Scripture Reading ~ Job 2:1-13

Message ~ When Suffering Lingers On

Prayer

*Song ~ CH 630 What A Friend We Have in Jesus

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

We Depart to Serve

*God's Parting Blessing

*Closing Song ~ CH 308 v 1-2 There Is a Redeemer

Celebration of The Lord's Supper

The Institution

Leader: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!

People will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at his table in the kingdom of God. When our risen Lord was at the table with his disciples, he took the bread, and blessed and broke it, and gave it them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized them. This is the Lord's table.

People: Our Savior invites those who he calls his own to the feast he has prepared.

The Teaching

Leader: Most righteous God, we remember in this supper the perfect sacrifice, offered once for all on the cross, by our Lord Jesus Christ for the sin of the whole world.

People: In the joy of the resurrection and in the expectation of his coming again, we offer ourselves to you as holy and living sacrifices.

Leader: Send your Holy Spirit upon us, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be to us the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

People: Being joined together in him, may we attain the unity of the faith, and grow up in all things unto Christ, our Lord.

Our Profession – The Apostles Creed

Prayer of Consecration – Conclude with the Lord's Prayer

The Invitation

Leader: All of you who are sorry for your sins and believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and have professed this in a Christian Church, God calls you to take part in this celebration. For those of you who have not yet made this commitment to Christ, God asks that you wait until a time when you are able to profess Him as your Savior.

People: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Leader: Come then, to the joyful feast of our Lord! O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

The Communion

Thanksgiving

Leader: For these gifts of love we thank you, and join with the angels and saints in offering you our praise.

People: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed in the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, who has redeemed us to God by his blood, to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, and honor and glory and praise. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor, glory and power, for ever and ever. (Rev. 5:12-13)

People: Amen!

RUDYARD CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
THE SUNDAY BULLETIN –

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

Attendants today: Amber Tuzinowski, Krystal English, Colleen Rice, and Elsie Mitchell

Next week: Katie Rice, Eve Cheney, Bryce Mitchell, and Halle Rogers

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: Marilyn Hoolsema, MJ Beelen, and Lincoln Hoolsema

Next week: Kathy Borowski, Katie English, and Nevaeh Beelen

Sunday School and Catechism will meet today at 10:45 am.

Offerings today: A.M. – General Fund

Next week: A.M. – General Fund

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

October 12 Offerings:

General Fund: \$4692; Building fund: \$40.

THIS WEEK – October 19 - 25

TODAY:

- We will celebrate the Lord's Supper during the service this morning.

TUESDAY:

- **Bible Study** will meet at 6:30 pm. We will be using the Bible Study Guide, Ezekiel, Life Change Bible study.

WEDNESDAY:

- **Women's Prayer Group** will meet in the Council Room at 10:00 am.
- **Women's Bible Study** will meet at 11:00 in the fellowship room. We are on Lesson 6.

THURSDAY:

- **Council** will meet at 6:30 pm
- **Happy Anniversary** to Don and Cherie Rice! 54 years!

FAMILY NEWS

~ The GEMS will be packing Christmas Shoeboxes in November. Please start thinking about and collecting items for the boxes. Last year we packed well over 50 boxes and we couldn't do it without your donations.

Gentlemen,

You are invited to a free men's breakfast the first Saturday in November.

We hope it will be a good time to gather to find support for the battle. Join us if you are able.

Saturday, November 8th 8-10am

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