**Volga Christian Reformed Church**

Pastor: Joshua Carpenter - phone 269-271-8603

**Sunday, July 28, 2024**

**Morning Worship 9:30 AM:** Worship Leader: Pastor Joshua Carpenter

 Organist; Ellie Vanden Berg

 Pianist: Geraldine Runia

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship - Psalm 119:129-144

Silent Prayer of Preparation

***Song - PH 624 Hear our Prayer, O Lord***

***\*Song - PH 500 How Firm a Foundation***

\*God’s Greeting

\*We Greet Each Other

Responsive Reading of Psalm 51

***Song - RB 156 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross***

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Buillding project & Budget

Children’s Message

***\*Song - LUYH 759 Your Word Sheds Light upon My Path (Verses 1 & 4)***

Scripture Lesson: **2 Timothy 3**

Text: **2 Timothy 3:16-17**

Message: **What is God’s Word Good For?**

Prayer

***\*Song - RB 435 I Love to Tell the Story***

\*Apostles’ Creed

\*God’s Blessing

***\*Doxology: PH 461 Beautiful Savior (Verse 4)***

Postlude

 \*Please stand if you are able

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"One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple." Psalm 27:4

**Welcome!** Let us remind ourselves of the words of the psalmist who proclaimed: “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path” (Psalm 119:105) It is God’s word which can help us find the truth and guidance we need for joyful living. Stay after the morning service for coffee and fellowship.

**Ushers for August:**  Connor Gross, Clyde Ulvestad Alternate; zach Post

**Elevator Attendant for August:** : Henrietta Molengraaf

**Calendar:**

Today: 9:30 AM Morning Worship

Mon: 7:00 Volga Christian School Society Meeting at the school

Sat: 8:30 AM Men’s Bible Study (see note below)

**Prayer Concerns:**

**1.** This past Friday, a number of teens from the combined Junior High Youth Group and a number of leaders left for Power Connection.  Please keep them in prayer as they make their way home and that this weekend would have been spiritually enriching for all in attendance.

**2. Gene Bjorklund** continues torecover from his stroke at home. He is specifically asking for prayers to get his equilibrium back now.  Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

***Announcements:***

**1. Congregational Meeting** - On Sunday, August 18th, following morning worship, we will be having our annual congregational meeting.  Please keep an eye out for various pieces of information in your mailboxes leading up to the meeting.  At the congregational meeting, we will also be voting on two new elders and one new deacon. (retiring: Greg Loss & Larry Tjeerdsma –elders; Sheldon Thompson – deacon)

* Elder nominees are: Ashton Fey, Anthony Kauk, and Doug Post.
* Deacon nominees are: Keith Tofte, and Steve Van Heerde.

Please be prayerfully considering these nominees and praying for them.

**2. Men’s Bible Study** will meet this week on Saturday, August 3rd, in the church basement.  A time of breakfast and fellowship will start at 8:30 AM with the lesson beginning at 9 AM.  Pastor Josh will lead Lesson 6: “The Way, the Truth, and the Life.”  The main passage of Scripture we’ll be taking a look at is John 13:31-14:31, plus some additional passages in the lesson questions.

**3. Bulletin Secretary** - With Katie retiring from serving as bulletin secretary at the end of August, we are looking for someone who is interested in serving as the new bulletin secretary.  Katie has mentioned that she would be willing to help train whoever would be stepping into that role next.  If you are interested, please reach out to someone on council for further information.

**4. Smores Night** - Thank you to all who came out last week Sunday for our second summer S’mores Night!  It was another wonderful time of food and fellowship together.  We’ll be hosting one last S’mores Night for the summer on Sunday, August 18th, once again at 5:30 PM, weather permitting.

**Advance Notices:**

**1. We are excited t**o invite you to our Annual Society Meeting which will be held at Volga Christian School on July 29th at 7:00pm. We look forward to seeing you there and sharing about all the amazing things God is doing through and for Volga Christian School

**2. Dakota Sun Ministry for August 4:** (Next Sunday: In charge: Clyde & Cyndi Ulvestad, Joan Bjorklund – Piano To Visit: Dale & Karen Algood, Ken Fideler, Arlan TeKrony, Gene & Brenda Volkers’ If you are unable to attend at your assigned time, please find someone to go in your place.

**Our Offerings:**

July 28: Building Project & Budget

August 4: Volga Christian School & Budget

August 11: Braunings & Budget

August 18: Option One & Budget

August 25: Building Project & Budget

**Our Council:**  Pastor Joshua Carpenter

Elders: Ron Gross, Greg Loss, Dale Algood

Deacons: Will Davis, Logan Triebwasser, Dan Runia, Sheldon Thompson

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  **July 28, 2024 | What is God’s Word Good For? | 2 Timothy 3:16-17**

Theme: God's \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is "living and active," and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

1. Scripture’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:

2. Scripture’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:

3. Scripture’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:

Weekly Reflection: Keep an eye out in your reading and study of God’s Word ways it may be teaching, rebuking, correcting, or training you for righteousnes