**Sunday,**

 **Oct 6th**

 **2024**

**Volga Christian Reformed Church**

Pastor: Joshua Carpenter - Phone: 269-271-8603

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

 Organist: Katie Hoogwerf

 Pianist: Christy Van Heerde

 Praise Team

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship - 2 John vv. 4-6

Silent Prayer of Preparation

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

**\*Song - All Creatures of Our God and King (Screen)**

\*God’s Greeting

\*We Greet Each Other

Responsive Reading of the Law as a Rule of Gratitude (pg. 1017)

**Song - The Wonderful Cross (Screen)**

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Volga Christian School & Budget

Children’s Message

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

Scripture Lesson: **Matthew 7:21-23**

Text: **Matthew 7:21-23**

Message: **"Examine Yourselves"**

Prayer

**\*Song - PH 287 Have Thine Own Way Lord (Verses 1-2 & 4)**

\*Nicene Creed

\*God’s Blessing

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

Postlude

 \*Please stand if you are able

**As brothers and sisters in Christ,** let us rejoice together in worship of our God. We extend a warm welcome to all who are worshipping together today. Stay after the morning service for coffee and fellowship.

**Ushers for October:**  Jacob Post, Jerry Runia; Alternate: Clyde Ulvestad

**Elevator Attendant for October:**  Cyndi Ulvestad

**Dakota Sun Ministry today:** In charge: Kevin & Tanya Triebwasser, Katie Hoogwerf (Piano) To Visit: Bob Hoogwerf, Chester Vanderzee, Doug Post Family. If you are unable to attend at your assigned time, please find someone to go in your place.

**Calendar:**

Today: 9:30 AM Morning Worship

 11:00 Dakota Sun Ministry

Wed: 7:00 PM Senior High Youth Group

Thurs: 3:45 GEMS

**Prayer Concerns:**

1. May we continue to keep in prayer **Carolyn Hieb’s** brother, **Larry**, who suffered a stroke last week.  He was able to leave the hospital and is currently awaiting a monitor to keep an eye on things moving forward.  Please be praying for healing for him, as well as strength for him and the rest of the family.
2. May we keep in prayer all those affected by the recent hurricane, praying for strength as they recover and for safety during this time.

**Announcements:**

1. **High school catechism** will meet today after worship over in the parsonage around 11 AM.
2. **Youth Group Meal Sign Up -** With youth group underway, Volga CRC will be providing the meal on the third Wednesday of each month as has been done in the past.  If you are interested in serving in this way, please sign up on the sign-up sheet out in the lobby, which you can find on the coffee counter.  Thank you for your consideration!
3. **Senior High Youth Group** will meet this week Wednesday at **First Reformed Church** at **7 PM**.  Bring a friend!
4. **The GEMS card sales** will end on **Thursday, Oct. 10**.  If you would like to purchase cards and have not been contacted, please see any GEMS girl or Geraldine Runia.
5. **Cadets will be selling Puffins** as our annual fundraiser. All funds from this support our club for dues, lesson materials, badges, projects, and Camporee registration. **Puffins are $15 and will be delivered Nov 6**. If a cadet hasn’t found you, please find a cadet or contact Steve 690-6316. General donations are also welcomed.  Thanks for supporting our Community Cadet Club.
6. **There are “No on G” signs** by the church entrance. Whoever would like one is welcome to take one.

**Looking Ahead:**

1. **Reformation Day Combined Service - Calvary Presbyterian Church** invites you to worship with us for a special Reformation Day service **Oct. 27th at 6:30 PM**.  We will have a time of fellowship and snacks to follow after the service.

**Our Offerings:**

* October 6th: Volga Christian School & Budget
* October 13th: Option 1 & Budget
* October 20th: Local Missions (Radio Program) & Budget
* October 27th: Building Project & Budget

**Our Council: Pastor Joshua Carpenter**

* Elders: Ron Gross, Ashton Fey, Doug Post, Dale Algood
* Deacons: Will Davis, Logan Triebwasser, Dan Runia, Keith Tofte
* **e-mail address for council:** volgacrccouncil@gmail.com

**Kids’ Corner:** Beatitude 1: Depend on God - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Matthew 5:3 is all about dependence. But what does it mean to depend on God? Can you think of one way to practice relying on God this week? Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net.

**Groundwork**: Live a Holy Life Set Apart for God - When the culture we live in makes our faith feel restrictive, the apostle Peter encourages believers to embrace a new perspective. Join Groundwork as we study 1 Peter 1:13-2:3 to learn what it means to live a holy life, set apart by God for his purposes, and how God’s Word provides the spiritual sustenance we need to maintain an active faith in all circumstances. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

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