

**Leota Community Church**  
**Morning Worship**  
**March 17, 2024**  
**WE APPROACH OUR GOD**

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Invocation

\* Songs of Praise

"Amazing Grace/My Chains are Gone"

"Oh, To See the Dawn"

Responsive Reading – "Jesus!"

Congregational Prayer

\* Songs of Preparation

"Awesome God"

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

\* Offertory Prayer

(Children dismissed for Children's Worship)

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

Scripture: **John 1, Luke 18:28-36**

Message: **The Glory of Christ – Glory on the Mountain**

Prayer of Application

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

\* Song (vs 1-3)

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

\* Parting Words

\* Closing Song (vs 4)

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

\* Postlude

**Welcome to worship!** We are glad that you could come. We hope that God touches your life as we worship together and that you leave this place today with the peace of God within you.

**Evening Worship: Pastor Mark Groen**

Scripture: **Genesis 45:1-28**

Message: **Joseph Revealed**

**Offering Ebenezer:** Gen Fund/SWCH

**Next Sunday:** Gen Fund/Cuban Ministry

**Offering Bethel:** General Fund

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**OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH AND SERVICE**

SUN 10:45 AM Choir rehearsal

2:30 PM Annual Music Festival at First CRC Edgerton

MON. 7:00 PM Elders' Meeting (Ebenezer)

TUE 5:30 - 7:30 PM SWCH Soup and Dessert Supper

WED 6:30 PM Family Night Ministries

NEXT SUNDAY 9:00 AM Prayer Gathering (Bethel)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**EVERYONE is invited to join us** for fellowship and refreshments following the morning service.

**Ministry Day in Leota** – Pastor Mike will be Monday afternoon/evening. If you would like to meet with him, please contact him.

**Participants Needed for...**

- \* **Maundy Thursday Service** (March 28) – seven families/couples to read a Scripture passage, read a brief meditation, introduce a time of prayer, extinguish a candle.
- \* A **Photographer** to take pictures of the upcoming holiday services, the Wednesday night ministries, and other ministry activities for our Church Profile. Contact Pastor Mike to volunteer!

A bucket is in the foyer for donations to the **Royal Family Kids Camp**. Please put RFKC on the memo line.

**Note from Bethel Deacons** - Please use the memo line on your check as to where you would like your gifts to go. Split amounts can be put on memo as well.

Turn in articles for the **April Newsletter**, deadline is Sunday, March 24th.

**Wednesday Night Ministries** - The entire family is invited to attend.

- \* 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. – a meal for everyone!
- \* 6:45 to 8:00 p.m. – nursery care provided
- \* 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. – children, youth, & middle school ministries
- \* 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. – young adults (single or married) fellowship

**Ministry Group #2** will meet following coffee time this morning in the consistory room of Ebenezer to plan for April: Ivan & Jamie DeJong, Randy & Wanda Landhuis, Wayne & JoAnne Landhuis, Cal & Sal Schaap, Marlene Hofkamp, Tom & Sharon Giese, Beth VanderSteen, Brian & Heidi Tschetter, Marcy Feuerhelm, Keith Blom. Please let Ivan or Jamie know if you cannot attend.

March 17, 2:30 pm: **Annual Music Festival** at First CRC of Edgerton. SWCH Choirs, area churches and choral groups will present individual numbers during this afternoon of praise. Members of the audience will be invited to join the mass choir the Hallelujah Chorus. An offering will be taken for SWCH (sponsored as a fundraiser by Circle #12).

SWCH Circles invite you to their annual **Fall Soup and Dessert Supper** on Tuesday, March 19th. Serving time is 5:30 -7:30 pm. Menu choices include chili, cheesy vegetable, pea, and chicken rice soups, BBQ and desserts. Free will donations are gratefully accepted.

**KINGDOM KIDS PRESCHOOL at Southwest MN Christian Schools** is now open for enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year and we couldn't be more excited! What a wonderful opportunity for your child to explore and discover God's world! Registration forms can be picked up at the elementary campus office at 210 Elizabeth St W, Edgerton, or downloaded at our school website, [swcschools.org](http://swcschools.org). For more information, call the office at 507-442-6181 or email us at [elementary@swcschools.org](mailto:elementary@swcschools.org). If you'd like to tour the school and check out the Preschool area, we'd welcome you to do that as well. Come experience the difference at SWC!

**ATLAS for Life, Pipestone** is excited to announce a new fundraiser! ATLAS will be hosting a greenhouse this spring supplied by VIP Floral and Greenhouse. Currently, we are looking for volunteers to help "man" the greenhouse for the 6–8-week timeframe. We are having an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 19 at 2:30 p.m. at the ATLAS office – 101 2<sup>nd</sup> St. NE in Pipestone (just north of the Ewert Rec Center) to learn more information about this volunteer opportunity for this fundraiser. Green thumbs and enthusiastic individuals are encouraged to attend this meeting for an afternoon of information, snacks, and interaction. Please call the ATLAS office if you are interested in this opportunity and unable to attend the meeting or with questions: 507-562-5777.

**Coffee Break Bible Study** will be hosting a special meeting on March 20 at First CRC in Edgerton and invites all women to attend. Mr. Brian Busker, teacher at SWC will speak on the history and basic beliefs

of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Brunch will be served at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Room. Story Hour and nursery provided. Brian will also speak at the evening session of Coffee Break Bible Study at 6:30 p.m.

There will be a **Red Cross Blood Drive** at the First CRC in Edgerton on Monday, March 25, 2024 from 12:30 until 6:30. Please call Betty at 507-227-8416 or [fbhuisken@gmail.com](mailto:fbhuisken@gmail.com) to make or confirm an appointment. Can we collect 75 units of blood for use by the Red Cross for someone/somewhere? There is a constant need for blood. Every 2 seconds someone/somewhere in the U.S. needs blood. Only 3% of eligible people donate. Anyone 16 years and older and in good health is able to donate. We encourage our younger people to step up and make a donation for someone/somewhere.

First CRC in Edgerton is hosting an **Easter Sunrise Service** (March 31) beginning at 7:00 a.m. We welcome our area church congregations and visiting family and friends to join us as we remember Christ's finished work on the cross and his resurrection on that glorious Easter morning! Please join us for this celebration as we greet Easter morning reflecting on God's word along with songs from the congregation and special numbers that walk us through Jesus' birth to the glorious resurrection day. Following the service, a breakfast will be served in the church's fellowship hall. We hope many of you will be able to join us.

**Cornerstone Prison Church Annual Benefit Banquet** is held Monday, April 1 at Trinity CRC, Rock Valley, IA at 6:30 p.m. Save your spot by March 24 by calling Trinity CRC at 712-476-5292 or go to our website [www.cornerstonepcsd.org](http://www.cornerstonepcsd.org). A free will offering will be taken as an opportunity to financially support Cornerstone's ministry. We look forward to seeing you! If you are unable to attend, you can send your donations to: Cornerstone Prison Church, c/o Dave Vande Kamp, PO Box 88708, Sioux Falls, SD 57109 or donate online at [www.cornerstonepcsd.org](http://www.cornerstonepcsd.org)

**Please get all announcements to Sandy by Thursday @12:00 p.m. at [isschelhaas@gmail.com](mailto:isschelhaas@gmail.com) or call 507-215-6832.**