**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

*The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

**PRELUDE**

*** GATHERING SONG** | *For the Beauty of the Earth*

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO WORSHIP**

GOD CALLS US

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** | Psalm 100

*** SONGS OF PRAISE** *Cornerstone*

*Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me*

*Make Me a Servant*

*** PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

GOD CLEANSES US

**CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN** | 1 John 1:8-9

**CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**

Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the devices and desires
of our own hearts.
We have offended against your holy laws.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not
to have done;
and apart from your grace, there is no health in us.
O Lord, have mercy upon us.
Spare all those who confess their faults.
Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises
declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord.
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

**SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON / DECLARATION OF GRACE**

*** SONG OF GRATITUDE** | *Before the Throne of God Above*

**EXTENDING PEACE TO ONE ANOTHER**

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**Everyone: And also with you.**

GOD CONSECRATES US

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER** [Please conclude with the Lord's Prayer]

**SERMON TEXT** | Revelation 7:9-12

**SERMON** | Where We're Going

GOD COMMUNES WITH US

* **CONFESSION OF FAITH** | *The Apostles' Creed* ( 2nd Century A.D.)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.**
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**
**He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**
**He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.**
**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**
**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**
**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,**
**the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,**
**the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. *Amen*.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC –** Cornerstone Quartet *We Will Remember*

**GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS –** General/EPC World Outreach
*** CLOSING SONG**
Hymn *The Church's One Foundation*

GOD COMMISSIONS US

**COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION**
**DOXOLOGY –** Cornerstone Quartet *The Lord's Prayer*
**POSTLUDE**
* Congregation Stands

**Evening Service: Pastor Stephen Wynja**
**Scripture: Amos 9:1-10**
**Message: You Can Run, But You Can't Hide**

## PRAYERS AND PRAISES

**Cheryl and Milo Feikema and family would like to thank everyone** for their prayers for healing and renewed strength following abdominal surgery on August 22nd. I am feeling better each day. Thank you to the Lord, "the great healer," for the healing so far and in the days to come, as well as for giving wisdom to the doctors to identify the issue quickly. He is always near. Special thanks to everyone who supported us with assistance and meals. We are very thankful for you all.

**Thank you** for the generous donation of school supplies that you blessed us with. They were very much appreciated! -- SWCH

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome** to **Pastor Michael and Joanne** as we begin our ministry together this morning. We pray for God's blessing as we worship together.

**Session** will meet Monday, September 14 at 7:00 p.m. – north campus

Please turn in items for the **October Newsletter**, deadline is September 20.

There was a package of jeans left at South Campus. If you know anything about them, please claim them there.

**Bible League Dinner** on Monday, September 14 at Bethel CRC, Sioux Center for an evening of joy. Adults and teens are invited to the **Bible League Conference – *Hope and Forgiveness in the Midst of Evil,*** on September 15 at Bethel CRC, Sioux Center.

**Cuba Informational Meeting**: Are you interested in finding out about how current economic conditions are affecting brothers and sisters in Reformed Churches in Cuba? The former president of the Christian Reformed Church in Cuba, Pastor Yordanis Diaz, will speak and answer questions in **Bethel church on Wednesday, September 16th, at 7pm**. He will also be an invited speaker at CRC Minnkota Classis on September 17. He currently pastors a small church in Miami and operates a non-profit to help people in Cuba overcome the poor economic conditions.

There will be a **Red Cross Blood Drive** at the First Reformed Church in Edgerton on Thursday, September 17 from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. Please call Betty at 507-227-8416 or fbhuisken@gmail.com to make or confirm an appointment.

The journey of grief is different for everyone, and you don't have to walk that journey alone. You are welcome to join the **Pipestone ATLAS for Life Grief Share support group** on Thursdays from 1:15-3:00 p.m. from September 17 to November 19. Find comfort, practical coping steps, and a caring Christian community through video lessons and discussion to help you move through the grief process and gain solid support each step of the way. Please call the ATLAS office at 507-562-5777 to sign up for this session or for more information.

**Lifewise** is a program that teaches public school kids Biblical education classes under three conditions: 1) off school property, 2) privately funded, and 3) parent permitted. Pipestone School District has approved starting a Lifewise program and Faith Community Church has agreed to host it. Whether our kids are taught at a public school, a private school, a private Christian school, or are homeschooled, as Christians we are responsible to bring the message of Jesus to whomever we can. In order to get this program started, we are looking for financial contributions. There's a $1,000 matching grant until September 18th, 2026. Donations can be made by check and should have your program's name on the memo line (Pipestone, MN School District) and be mailed to: LIFEWISE, Lockbox 4327, Columbus, OH 43260-4327

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH & SERVICE**

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| TODAY | 9:00 AM | Sunday School Classes |
| | 9:15 AM | Prayer Gathering |
| | 10:00 AM | Morning Worship Service |
| | 11:15 AM | Fellowship Time |
| | 6:30 PM | Evening Worship Service |
| MON | 7:00 PM | Session Meeting – north campus |
| WED | 6:30 PM | Community Meal & Wednesday Night Ministries |

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