ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

*** GATHERING SONG |** *As We Gather*

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO WORSHIP

GOD CALLS US

*** CALL TO WORSHIP |** Psalm 34:1-3

*** SONGS OF PRAISE |** #428, *O Worship the King*

The Lord Is My Salvation

*** PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

GOD CLEANSES US

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN | James 4:8

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

*** DECLARATION OF GRACE |** Psalm 103:11-12

*** SONG OF GRATITUDE |** *#557, My Jesus, I Love Thee*

EXTENDING PEACE TO ONE ANOTHER

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

GOD CONSECRATES US

PASTORAL PRAYER [Concluding with all praying the Lord's Prayer]

*** SERMON TEXT |** Colossians 1:1-2

SERMON | "An Introduction: The Letter's What and Why"

From the sermon series *Colossians: Christ Is All!*

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*.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*** CLOSING SONG |** #291, *May the Mind of Christ, My Savior*

GOD COMMISSIONS US

COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY

POSTLUDE

*** Congregation Stands**

Evening Service: Pastor Stephen Wynja
Scripture: Amos 9:11-15
Message: Blessed Forever

Offering Next Sunday: General/Missions

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

A sincere thank you for all the prayers, cards, food, and expressions of sympathy in the recent passing of mom. It was appreciated very much. We are blessed to live in such a caring community.

-- Rod & Marcia De Boer

Congratulations to **Vernon Prins** who celebrates his 80th birthday TODAY!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Cadets and their families are invited to the **Cadet Kick-off** night for a hot-dog roast, smores, and games Wednesday evening, Sept 23. It will be at the Rock River Park just west of Edgerton. Bring roasting sticks, everything else is provided. Cadets need not wear Cadet shirts. We will begin at 6 with Cadet Assembly and devotions, followed with supper for parents and siblings while the cadets play some games. The Cadets will eat after they are finished with games.

First Reformed in Edgerton is hosting the **Rivers and Lakes Fall Presbytery** meeting on September 25–26. First Reformed invites you to evening worship on Friday, September 25, at 6:30 P.M., as we gather with fellow congregations from across the presbytery to lift our voices together in praise. It's a rare chance to worship alongside brothers and sisters from other EPC churches in our presbytery, and we hope you'll make plans to come.

Grandparents Day at SWC – Wednesday, September 30 - We are so thankful for the blessing of grandparents and the special role you play in the lives of your grandchildren! On Wednesday, September 30, we warmly invite you to join us at Southwest Christian for a morning set aside just for YOU. Together, we will celebrate the love, encouragement, and faith you pour into your families and into our school community. If you have grandchildren in both the High School and Elementary, we encourage you to visit BOTH campuses! Be sure to check the Grandparents Day schedule for times and details. You'll find the full schedule and more information on our website at www.swcschools.org. The morning will conclude with our K-12 Grandparents Day worship—a highlight of the day! If you are unable to attend in person, we invite you to join us through the live stream at christensenbroadcastnetwork.com/sports or by using the link on our school website.

Please join us on October 6, at 6:30, as we welcome the **Watoto Children's Choir, from Uganda,** at First Christian Reformed Church in Edgerton.

Edgebrook Candy Drive – We're excited to once again host a fun & safe trick or treating event for the kids this Halloween! To make it extra special, we're asking for candy donations. Drop off location: Edgebrook Business Office; deadline: October 27. Every contribution helps make this spooky night sweet for the kids! Thanks for your support!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH & SERVICE

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
WED	6:00 PM	Cadet Kick-off at Rock River Park
	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.