

Bethel Reformed /Ebenezer CRC  
August 8, 2021  
9:30 a.m.

**We Approach Our God**

Prelude  
Welcome & Announcements  
Call to Worship  
Prayer of Invocation  
God's Greeting  
**\*Songs of Praise:**  
Call to Confession  
Prayer of Confession

L: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;  
**C: according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.**  
L: Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.  
**C: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.**  
L: Against you, you only, have I sinned  
**C: and done what is evil in your sight,**  
L: create in me a pure heart, O God  
**C: and renew a steadfast spirit within me.**  
L: Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit  
**C: Restore to me the joy of your salvation.** /from me.  
**ALL: O Lord, open my lips, and our mouths, will declare your**  
Assurance of Forgiveness /praise.

God's Will for our Lives:  
Congregational Prayer

**We Hear God's Word**

**Hymn of Preparation: #381 "Open My Eyes that I May See"**  
Scripture - 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1  
Message - "How Is Your Vision?"  
Prayer of Application  
**Hymn of Application: #38 "I Will Call Upon the Lord"**

**Departing to Serve**

\*Parting Words  
**\*Closing Hymn: #406 "My Hope Is In the Lord"**  
\*Postlude

~**We Welcome** Pastor Don Plantinga, Spicer, Mn. who is leading our worship this morning in the absence of Pastor Mike.

~**Welcome!** *Some of us are here to seek relief from heavy pressures. Others are reaching out for comfort in sorrow. Still others are here to thank God for recent or ongoing blessings. What we all have in common is a great desire to know God and to be enabled to do his will. Join us in our quest!*

~Join us for fellowship and refreshments provided by Abe Westenberg, Bud Hofkamp, Keith Blom and Jess & Tiffany De Kam.

**THIS WEEK**

~Monday, 6:45 p.m. **Elders Meeting** 7:30 p.m. **Consistory Meeting**

~Thursday, Bulletin notices are due before 4 p.m. Notify me by email, vmtinklenberg@gmail.com (email has changed, please change in your church directory) or call 443-5751.

~Next Sunday, (August 15) Pastor Mike Scott will be leading our service which will be held at Ebenezer CRC.  
" **-Refreshments** by Joann Van Peurse, Bonnie Groen, and Travis & Kim Muyskens.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

~**Announcement for Sunday services @ Ebenezer** If there is concern about using the steps to get to the basement for coffee and fellowship, please consider using the elevator. Someone will be there to assist you in getting up and down to the basement.

~**Elder on Call for the month of** August - Doug Van Peurse - 507-360-5139

~**Needed** (Bethel/Ebenezer) A Sunday School teacher is needed or if you could be a substitute, please contact Randy Landhuis or Ive Schelhaas.

~**The Leota First Responders** are in need of 4-6 people to take a first responders course soon or the squad will cease to exist. If you are interested to take the class or want more information, please contact Lonna Vis, Wayne Landhuis, or Mike Schuller.

**PRAYER REQUESTS & CONCERNS**

- ~Please pray for **Martha Pronk**, as she deals with cancer.
- ~Prayers of thanks for **Diane Sandbulte's** recent reports.
- ~Pray for **Craig Vastenhout** who is hospitalized with kidney failure.
- ~Pray for **Brenda Van Peurse** who is recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- ~Pray for those of our congregation who are in Care Centers:

<b><u>Edgebrook Care Center</u></b>	<b><u>Edgebrook Estates</u></b>	<b><u>Poplar Creek</u></b>
<b>Tena Winkelhorst</b>	<b>Esther Evink</b>	<b>Fran Anker</b>
<b>Betty Engeltjes</b>		<b><u>Dow Rummel</u></b>
<b>Betty Wiekeraad</b>		<b>Craig Vastenhout</b>

**ADVANCE NOTICES**

~**Sunday Morning Services** on (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday) August 15 and (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday) August 29 will be held at Ebenezer CRC.

~**SWC Tractor Ride** – Sat. Sept. 11. Rolls & coffee will be served beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the park shelter in Leota, Mn. We'll hit the road at 9:30 and as we get into Edgerton, we'll parade past the residents at Edgebrook Estates. A noon meal will be served at the SWC cafeteria. We'll return to the route at 1:00 p.m., with a stop at Mark Vander Pol's farm for a tour of the Vander Pol tractor collection. The event will conclude with fresh olie bollen at the Leota City Park. The event is free will donation. With questions or to pre-register, call Kendra Kuipers @ 507-227-0488.

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*“You cannot change anyone,  
you can only change yourself  
and you need God to help you!”*