

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
May 1, 2022

We Approach Our God

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Praise Songs: "Cornerstone"
"Good, Good Father"

Gems Presentation

Special Music: "I Am Not Alone"

Litany

Slideshow

Special Music: "Jesus Strong and Kind"

Congregational Prayer

The Sacrament of Infant Baptism – Palmer Sue Van't Hof

* Hymn – #579 "Jesus Loves Me"

We Hear God's Word

Scripture – **Malachi 1:1-5**

Message – **How I Know God Loves Me**

Prayer of Application

We Respond To God's Word

*Doxology, Presentation of Our Offerings, Dedicatory Prayer

* Parting Words

* Closing Response - #73 "Thou Art Worthy"

* Postlude

THE EVENING SERVICE: Great Faith

Scripture: Matthew 8:5-13

Offering Ebenezer: Gen & Talking Bibles **Next Sunday:** Gen & Bible League

Offering Bethel: Gen & Improvement Fund **Next Sunday:** General Fund

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH AND SERVICE:

SUN 10:45 AM Catechism grades 6-12

MON 7:00 PM Church Board meeting at Bethel

WED 7:00 AM Early Morning Bible Study at Judy Vis

FRI 9:30 AM SWC Elementary School Spring Musical

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

Pray for those in Edgebrook Care Center as there is a rise in COVID cases.
Also please pray for those who deal with ongoing issues with cancer, loneliness and depression.

We would like to **thank everyone** for all the condolences expressed, food, visits and especially the prayers, in the passing of Dave's sister, Velm. It was much appreciated. It is such a blessing to live in Leota and experience the fellowship of God's people. Dave and Brenda Hamm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our services today. We pray that you will be nourished, encouraged, and inspired to go and serve our risen Saviour!

The Sacrament of Infant Baptism will be administered to Palmer Sue Van't Hof, the daughter of Tom & Brook, during our morning worship service. May God bless the vows that will be made on behalf of Palmer!

Leota GEMS Burger and Chicken Breast Sandwich Fundraiser today at 11:15am at Bethel Church, following the GEMS Sunday service.

Pastor for our evening service today is **Stephen Wynja**. Next week our evening service will be led by **Mark Groen**.

Church Newsletter – There is a copy of the first newsletter for both churches in everyone's church box. Make sure to take yours home and look it over to discover what is happening during the month of May within our ministry!

Meeting of the Church Boards – The joint meeting will be held at Bethel tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m. The agenda, the minutes from last month's meeting and other reports will be available for each elder and deacon at the meeting.

The Transition Team Members are invited to attend the meeting of the Church Boards to present the Heritage report to the church leaders. The report is scheduled early in the meeting.

Church Directory – A directory is being put together updating all the information from the individuals/families of Bethel and Ebenezer. An information sheet is in each family's church box. Please fill out the information sheet and return by Sunday, May 22. Thanks!

Pray for the upcoming **CRC Synod 2022** and the decisions that will be made. Synod 2022 will meet in person for the first time in two years on June 10-16, 2022 on the campus of Calvin University in Grand Rapids, MI

GEMS Prayer Partner Party on Wednesday, May 4 from 6pm-8pm at Ebenezer CRC. All current Gems Prayer Partners are encouraged to attend. Supper will be provided. Looking forward to changing the world with you!

The K- 4th grades at SWC Elementary School will present their Spring musical program, **KING OF THE JUNGLE, on Friday, May 6, at 9:30am**. Join us as we travel with Jungle Jean and her reluctant dad on a tram ride through the Animal Kingdom Zoo! By observing the animals, we will learn about Noah's trust and obedience, Daniel's faith in God, being born again like the bullfrogs and butterflies, as well as other Biblical truths. The program will also be live streamed at <http://www.christensenbroadcasting.com/cms/>

BAKE SALE: SWC Circle #5 is teaming up with Circle #12 for their **ANNUAL BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER** immediately AFTER the elementary program Friday morning. Thank you for supporting this Bake Sale Fundraiser for SWC School!

The SWC Class of 2023 will be hosting a **Car Wash** on Friday, May 6 from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. at the high school campus parking lot to raise funds for their senior class trip to Washington D.C. Suggested donations - \$15.00 for cars, \$20.00 for pickups and

\$5.00 for vacuum. Larger contributions for a "dirt loving" vehicle or "busy family lifestyle" vehicles would be greatly appreciated.

If you have a heart for children and are looking to help educate them in the light of God's word, consider a teaching position at Worthington Chr School. WCS is seeking three passionate, inspiring, and Christ-filled educators to work in a full-time or part-time position across multiple elementary and middle school grade levels. Join WCS by helping prepare students for a life of service to God, His Creation, and their community by contacting Deb Vander Kooi at Worthington Christian School today at 507-376-4861, or email wcswarriors@iw.net.

The music department at SWCH is excited to invite you to our annual **Spring Concert** on Monday, May 16, 2022 at 7:00 pm. The Spring Concert will include a fun variety of praise, movie, musical theater and pop music. In addition to great music, we have the opportunity to award the John Phillip Sousa Award for Band, The National Choral Awards for Choir, and Eagle Awards.

Superbook Academy VBS is coming!! More details coming soon.

Please get all announcements to Sandy by Thursday @ 4:00 p.m at isschelhaas@gmail.com or 507-215-6832

Elder on Call, May: Randy Landhuis

Ebenezer Offering Totals, April: General Fund - \$9,759.00; Cuban Ministry - \$795.00; Mission Fund - \$1,000.00; Resonate - \$742.00; SWCS - \$1,010.00 - Tuition Need - \$150.00 - World Renew: \$973.00