

**Hospers Christian Reformed Church**  
**April 21, 2024 - 9:30 A.M.**

**We Are Gathered By God**

Prelude:

Welcome/Announcements

Silent Prayer

\*Call to Worship - Psalm 148:4,11,12,13

Pastor - Praise the Lord in the highest heavens; praise the Lord in the seas.

**People - Praise the Lord from the mountain heights; praise the Lord from earth below.**

Pastor - Praise the Lord all you young men and maidens; praise him you old men and children.

**People - All kings of the earth all princes and rulers; let the name of the Lord be exalted on high.**

Pastor - Grace, mercy and peace be to your from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**People - Amen**

\*Opening Song: #473 (G) "To God Be the Glory"

**We Renew Our Fellowship With God**

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Reading of God's Law

\*Hymn of Preparation: #588 (G) "Tell Your Children" OCCS Hymn of the Month

**We Listen to God's Word**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Ephesians 5:14-18 (p.1822) Isaiah 60:1-5 (p. 1155)

Catechism - Lord's Day #17 & #18 (Q & A 45-49) (p. 878)

Message: **"The Resurrected And Ascended Christ"**

Prayer of Application

**We Respond With Commitment**

\*Song of Response: #186 (R) "Low in the Grave He Lay"

Congregational and Offertory Prayer **Offering - Denominational Quotas**

Closing Hymn: #322 (R) "I Need Thee Every Hour"

**We Go Out To Serve**

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: #633 (G) "He Is Lord"

\*Postlude:

\* All who are able may stand

Organist - Sheila Zevenbergen

**Hospers Christian Reformed Church**  
**Evening Worship**  
**6:00 P.M.**

**Continuing Our Worship**

Prelude: "God Alone"

Welcome

Silent Prayer

\*Hymn of Adoration: 351 (R) "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

**Praying And Praising God**

Congregational Prayer

\*Apostles' Creed

\*Hymn of Adoration: #292 (G) "Living For Jesus"

\*Song of Preparation: #327 (R) "When We Walk with the Lord"

**Listening To God**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Judges 8:1-21 (p. 385)

Message: **"Speak Softly, But Carry..."**

Prayer of Application

**Dedication To God**

\*Song of Application: #328 (R) "Lead On, O King Eternal"

**Concluding Our Worship**

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: #638 (G) "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

\*Postlude

\*All who are able may stand

**Offering is for Family Crisis Center**

Pianist - Dorothy Vander Wilt

**Hospers Christian Reformed Church  
Hospers, Iowa**

	<b>Today</b>	<b>Next Week</b>		
<b>Offerings:</b>	Denominational Quotas Family Crisis Center	Runias Genesis House		
<b>Sound System:</b>	Alan Woudstra	Mike Klynsma		
<b>Projection:</b>	Ed Vander Wilt	Randy Van Kalsbeek		
<b>Prepare:</b>	Becky Vander Wilt	Mike Klynsma		
<b>Video:</b>	Kurt Zevenbergen	Phil Zeutenhorst		
<b>Ushers:</b>	Lance B. Alan W.	Mark R. Al Schoonhoven		
<b>Greeters:</b>	Ed & Becky Vander Wilt	Janice Poppema, Julie Stuit		
<b>Library:</b>	Mary Woudstra	Jo Goslinga		
<b>Coffee:</b>	Alan & Sandy Woudstra	Ed & Becky Vander Wilt		
	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
<b>Nursery:</b>	Avery Z. Anna DG.	Val K.	Sheila Z. Cheryl J.	Jennifer B.

**Our Church Calendar**

**Sunday**

9:30 A.M. Our Morning Worship - Pastor Gonzalez  
 10:45 A.M. Sunday School & Catechism  
 10:45 A.M. Coffee and Fellowship  
 6:00 P.M. Our Evening Worship - Pastor Gonzalez

**Monday**

7:00 P.M. GEMS Mom's Night

**Our Church Family**

**Welcome** to all worshipping here today. We extend a special welcome to those visiting with us and we invite you to join us for coffee and fellowship this morning.

**Our Church Offerings** - General Fund (\$4,056.00) & GEMS (\$568.00).

**Happy Birthday** - Joseph Vander Wilt (23)

**Please remember to pray daily** for any sick and or sorrowing people in the church.  
**Remember** our shut-ins - Ruth Roetman, Nelva Vander Wilt, Arlene Van Otterloo & Mary Bosma.

**Cheryl Jacobsma** is asked to visit the shut-ins in Prairie Ridge Care Center and Landsmeer.  
**Kent Rusches** are asked to visit the shut-ins in Crown Pointe in Sioux Center.

**The Building and Grounds Committee** is looking for volunteers to help Gerald do things like maintaining the planter beds, landscaping and plants outside of church. The committee is also looking for volunteers to help with things like parsonage and building maintenance. Please prayerfully consider serving this way. If you are willing, contact Caleb De Groot 605-251-4899.

**All ladies are invited to a Bridal Shower** for Amanda Woudstra and Janie Schoonhoven this coming Saturday, April 27 at 9:30 A.M. in the fellowship hall. Both girls are registered at Target and Amazon. Please bring a favorite recipe for each.

**From the Council** - After 38 years of dedicated service as our secretary and also serving as our treasurer Jan Vanden Berg will be retiring on June 30. Anyone interested in one or both of these jobs please contact one of the council members.

**NOTE the change of date** - The Widows and Golden Hour Ladies Light Supper and Bingo has been changed to **Wednesday, May 8** at 6:30 P.M. Remember your white elephant gift.

**From the Building and Grounds** - The Church Building is in need of tuckpointing and stone work. After pursuing several options, the Council chose Poppema Sikma to do the work. This will be a multi-stage project spanning over the next 10 years. Stage 1 will repair only the most emergent problem areas, the front sign, front steps and the south elevation. The quote for the Stage 1 repairs comes out to \$44,500.00. We hope to be able to fund and complete this portion of the project this summer. Please prayerfully consider this in your giving. We will be holding a **Congregational Meeting** after the morning service on May 12 to approve this amount and to answer any questions.

**FFA Plant Early Bird Open Greenhouse at Unity Christian High School** is on Friday April 26 from 3:45 p.m.- 6:00 pm. and Saturday, April 27 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The Mother's Day Sale is Friday, May 10 from 3:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 11 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Come and walk through our greenhouses, pick up some plants to use in your garden and enjoy seeing the work of our students! Freewill offering goes towards our FFA Program. Thank you

**Plan to attend Bible League's Spring Salad Luncheon** with your friends on Monday, May 6 at Ireton Christian Reformed Church (301 Maple Street, Ireton IA). Please bring one salad for every four ladies in your group. The Luncheon begins at 11:30 AM; featured speaker is Lindsay Millard of Joie Floral Design in Orange City. She is a Master Gardener and will share ideas for growing your garden/plants. A freewill donation will be received for Bible League International; every \$5 raised puts a Bible in the hands of someone thirsty for God's Word!

**Groundwork: God's Judgment and Hope in Micah** - A contemporary of Isaiah, the prophet Micah is most well-known for the famous verse "He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." Join Groundwork as we study Micah 1-7 to discuss God's judgment and hope woven throughout Micah's prophecies. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

## “The Resurrected and Ascended Christ”

- I. Christ’s resurrection gives us “resurrection” p\_\_\_\_\_ over our “d\_\_\_\_\_ to s\_\_\_\_\_” nature. Therefore, we can o\_\_\_\_\_ (H.C. 45 & Eph 5:14).
- II. Christ’s ascension grants us a\_\_\_\_\_ to the powerful w\_\_\_\_\_ of God’s g\_\_\_\_\_ (H.C. 46 & Is 60:1-2).
- III. Ironically, Christ’s resurrection and ascension g\_\_\_\_\_ his p\_\_\_\_\_ p\_\_\_\_\_ (H.C. 47,48 John 16:7).
- IV. However we can only a\_\_\_\_\_ these gifts by not drinking of the w\_\_\_\_\_ of w\_\_\_\_\_ (Isa 51:16,17) but drinking deep of God’s Spirit (H.C. 49, Eph 5:18 & Isa 59:21-60:1).

## “Speak Softly, but Carry...”

- I. The chapter begins with a\_\_\_\_\_ against Gideon for his v\_\_\_\_\_. This teaches us that the church will always face opposition from w\_\_\_\_\_ and from w\_\_\_\_\_ (Antiquated meaning).
- II. Gideon spoke w\_\_\_\_\_ (“softly”) the first t\_\_\_\_\_ times (v2, v5, v8). But when he was s\_\_\_\_\_ he w\_\_\_\_\_ pulled out the s\_\_\_\_\_ (Ps 2:8).
- III. We must learn that when Israel dealt k\_\_\_\_\_ with the world, the world d\_\_\_\_\_ them (v19).
- IV. Therefore the church is called to imitate her savior. To be w\_\_\_\_\_ as s\_\_\_\_\_ yet gentle as d\_\_\_\_\_ (Matt 10:16). To be both the L\_\_\_\_\_ and the L\_\_\_\_\_ (Rev 5:5-6).



