

Welcome to Graafschap Church • October 8, 2017

"If only you would slay the wicked, O God! Away from me, you bloodthirsty men!" (Psalm 139:19) Even sinners are appalled by sin. But there is a Savior, who is the firstborn from the dead, who was dead and, behold, He is alive forevermore. All hail King Jesus. Welcome to His worship.

MORNING WORSHIP

GATHERING PRELUDE

WELCOME | GOD'S GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAISE *O God Beyond All Praising*
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

CONFESSION GOD'S WILL FOR OUR LIVES
PASSING THE PEACE
My Soul Finds Rest in God Alone

COMMUNITY LIFE MORNING PRAYER
Offering | Graafschap Operating Fund
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
You Shall Love the Lord Your God

WORD WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD
Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-18
Sermon: "What Happened in Vegas Shouldn't Stay in Vegas"
-Rev. Bill Vander Werp

RESPONSE *Be Thou My Vision*

GOING BENEDICTION
We Exalt Thee
POSTLUDE

EVENING WORSHIP

GATHERING PRELUDE

WELCOME | GOD'S GREETING
CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAISE *O Worship the King*
 How Great Thou Art

COMMUNITY LIFE PRAYER REQUESTS

EVENING PRAYER
Offering | GCEOF

WORD *Oh How I Love Jesus*
WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD
Scripture: 1 Kings 19
Sermon: "Elijah's Crash"

RESPONSE *What the Lord Has Done in Me*

GOING BENEDICTION
 Take, O Take Me As I Am
POSTLUDE

*Our AM services are televised on Thursdays at 3 pm, Saturdays at 3 am, and Sundays at 12:30 pm.
Our PM services are televised on Tuesdays at 4:30 pm, Wednesdays at 3:30 am & 8:00 am, and
Sundays at 7:00 pm. Comcast channels are 24 or 916, AT&T U-Verse channel is 99.*

Contact Ron Breuker (396.8143) for **CD's & DVD's** of the services.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Please pray for all who mourn, and thank the Lord for the gospel of the risen Christ. The funerals for Jay Meiste and Bertha Hulst were held on Monday and Tuesday, respectively. In addition to these families, partings like these in our church family awaken many feelings in the hearts of others who have been bereaved. Come, Lord Jesus.

Hold Judy Des Armo, Lottie Scholten's daughter, in prayer as she deals with cancer. The biopsies last week revealed that it is a type of breast cancer that has also moved to her bone tissue.

We pray also for Kelsey Martin, the 14 year-old niece of Rev. Bill and Amy Vander Werp, for God's grace and strength during her cancer treatments.

Please pray for Mary Smearman (daughter of Bud and Sally Hulst). She is beginning another round of chemo; 24/7 for two weeks.

Also, pray for continued healing for Marissa Sanchez, Mike Melling and Matt Viel.

Dick Yskes is back home again. Thank the Lord for healing.

Jeff Busscher has another praise item: the spot discovered in his lung last June has turned out to not be cancerous. Thanks for your prayers and thank the Lord.

Congratulations to Chris Brennan and Katie Plaggemars who were united in marriage last Friday, October 6. May the Lord bless them with the grace to build a long and happy marriage.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parents: If you have not turned in your child's Medical and Release form yet, please do so. They are especially needed for any off-site activities.

Sunday School children in grades 1-5 will meet in the front of the church from 10:45-11:00 today to go over the Christmas Program.

There is a Prayer Partner sign-up sheet on the kiosk for all of our Children and Youth Ministry programs, your prayer support is essential to our many volunteers!

Gather & Grow is in need of Nursery helpers to watch a few children for about 30 minutes on occasion. There is a schedule on the kiosk where you can sign up for a Sunday.

HSM will be meeting tonight from 7:00-9:00 pm in the Loft. Summer 2018 Mission Trip details will be covered, as well as the next lesson from our "Tough Teachings" Series entitled: "You have heard it said...But I tell you." See you at 6:00 pm for worship!

Graafschap Seniors: Today is the last day to sign up at the kiosk for the Fall Color Tour. Come join us for good food, fellowship and enjoying God's creation. Those who sign up for the color tour, please be at church at 10:30 am on Wednesday.

The Annual Mitten-Plus Drive is coming soon! We will again need mittens, gloves, scarves, hats, slippers, sweaters, etc. in ALL sizes – children's and adult's. We especially need larger size mittens and gloves, and slippers in all sizes. All items must be NEW. They can be handmade, machine made, or purchased. Please consider now what you can contribute. Donations are due at Graafschap CRC on November 25.

Are you looking for a place to dig a little deeper in your faith? With other Christians? In a community built on the mutual love of Christ and desire to know him better? A discipleship group might be the right thing for you! Sign up at the kiosk or talk to Noah for more information.

We will be making pig in the blankets on Tuesday, November 7. There is a sign-up sheet on the kiosk for workers and helpers, and also to place your orders. The cost is \$12.00 per dozen. Please sign up as soon as possible to help us prepare for supplies. The proceeds will be for GCEOF (Christian School Tuition Fund). Thanks for your continuing support!

Graafschap Church is participating in Operation Christmas Child. We are asking you to purchase a plastic shoe box from the Dollar Store and select items for a girl or boy, ages 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14. Some items you may wish to include are hygiene items, clothing, accessories, small toys or games, school supplies or sports items. Please do not include toothpaste, food, candy or military items. More gift suggestions and information can be found at: samaritanspurse.org/occ. Please return your shoebox by Sunday, November 12, 2017 to allow time to ship overseas. Thank you for considering this worthwhile project.

Red Cross Blood Drive: There will be a blood drive held here on Saturday, October 21, from 9:45 am-3:45 pm. You may sign up at redcrossblood.org (sponsor code: graafschapcrc) or call 1-800-RED-CROSS. Give Blood. Help Save Lives.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING REPORT:

AM Graafschap Benevolence \$517.41
PM Love INC \$295.00

LAST DEACON'S COUNT (9/25/17) REPORT:

Budgeted: \$22,937 Amount Received: \$17,670 – 77.04%

OFFERINGS NEXT SUNDAY:

AM Disability Concerns

PM Audio Scripture Ministries

NURSERY ATTENDANTS THIS SUNDAY:

AM **Tena Frieling**, Mary Geurink

Jeremy Van Beek, Tyler Ritsema

PM **Heather Alferink**, Reed Frieling

NURSERY ATTENDANTS NEXT SUNDAY:

AM **Meredith Geurink**, Karen Scholten,

Judy Plaggemars, Sara Algera

PM **Crista Holstege**, Ruth DeWys

CALENDAR • October 8-14

SUN. 9:00 am, Prayer Time, Prayer Room

9:45-11:00 am, YCW, Sonshine Room

10:45-11:00 am, Christmas Program Practice, Sanctuary

11:00-11:30 am, Gather & Grow, E. Fellowship Room

11:00-11:40 am, Sunday School & Catechism

7:00-9:00 pm, HSM, Loft

MON. 7:00 pm, Deacons Meeting

7:15 pm, Knitting Group, Sonshine Room

7:30 pm, Men's Bible Fellowship, East Fellowship Room

TUE. 7:00 pm, Heritage Center Committee Meeting

7:00 pm, Finance Committee Meeting

WED. 9:45-11:00 am, Ladies Bible Study, Sonshine Room

10:30 am-5:30 pm, Fall Color Tour Outing

6:00-8:00 pm, MSM, Outing

6:30 pm, House of Prayer, Prayer Room

6:30 pm, Ladies Bible Study, Library

6:30-7:45 pm, Praise Team Practice, Sanctuary

THU. 7:00 pm, Shepherding Elders Meeting