



Walking with Jesus

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WELCOME

January 1, 2023

Thank you for the gift of your presence in worship with us today. We hope that you felt the presence of God touch your life as you touched ours. We welcome you to return and add to our excitement as we enter a new year of our Lord, 2023.

CHURCH INFORMATION

Sunday School—9:00 AM; Worship—10:00 AM

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THIS WEEK AT HOPE

Sunday, January 1

- 9:00AM—Sunday School
- 10:00AM—Worship
- MESA Task Force Meeting?

Wednesday, January 4

- 7:00 PM Catechism, Choir and RCYF

MINISTRIES THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK

Today

Greeters: Paul and Kathy Altena

Nursery: Angie VB and Carly DeLeeuw

Sound System: Pam Grave

Power Point: Ethan Van Briesen

Children's Sermon: Kathy Altena

Fellowship Treats: Happy New Year

Next Week

Greeters: Darin and Nancy Popkes

Nursery: Pam Grave and Kinsly Altena

Sound System: Dorene Chapa

Power Point: Kyle Reitsma

Children's Sermon: Pam Grave

Fellowship Treats: Abby Reitsma

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- CRU—Prayers for Jon and Garcia as they are in the adoption process
- Burdsalls—God will continue to shape people's lives and Burdsalls will be rejuvenated as they spend some time in the States
- Whispers of Love, Hope, and Joy—the gifts given and received will demonstrate the love God for us
- The Banquet—Continued ministry to those in need

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please welcome Verlan Boone to the pulpit today.
- The annual Hope Reformed Church Soup and Pie Supper is scheduled for Wednesday January 11th, 2023 from 5:15 – 7:00 P.M. Snow Date will be January 18th. We will be serving the following soups: Chili, Pea, Chicken and Oyster. We will also serve BBQ's and a large variety of pies. A free will offering will be received.
- Mark your calendar!!!! Spec-n-dicken will be Saturday, January 7, 2023 from 10-2 at the community rooms in George. Please bring a non-perishable food item and/or free will donation for the Food Bank! See you there!
- Installation and Ordination of Elders and Deacons will be on January 15.
- The need for the month of January for the George Food pantry and Bread of Life distribution is soup and crackers.
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WORSHIP

Prelude—Marlene Stubbe

Call to Worship – Matthew 11:28-30 page 1514

Invocation

Hymn—#40 “For the Beauty of the Earth”

Prayer of Confession: Loving and gracious God, we call to you and name you as eternal, ever-present, and boundless in love. Yet there are times when we fail to recognize you in the moments of our lives. Sometimes shame clenches tightly around our hearts, and we hide our true feelings. Sometimes fear makes us small, and we miss the chance to speak from our strength. Sometimes doubt invades our hopefulness, and we degrade our own wisdom.

Loving God, in the daily round from sunrise to sunset, remind us again of your holy presence hovering near us and in us. Free us from shame and self-doubt. Help us to see you in the moment-by-moment possibilities to live honestly, to act courageously, and to speak from our wisdom. Amen.

Words of Assurance: Romans 8:35-39

Ministry of Music: God’s Kids

Announcements and Congregational Prayer

Hymn—#353 “Grace Greater Than Our Sin”

Children’s Message— Kathy Altena

Scripture—Ephesians 2:1-10 page 1818

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon—The Order is Important

Prayer of Application

Offering and Offertory Hymn— #436 “Grace Alone”

*Doxology (# 34) & Offertory Prayer

*Benediction—#472 “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”
