THIS WEEK

Wednesday | March 12

5:45 PM Supper6:10-7:30 PM Adventure Club (Activity)6:30 PM Youth Group meets in Willmar

Thursday | March 13

7:00-7:30 AM | MORNING PRAYER Everyone is welcome!! We meet in the church library

Upcoming Service Reminders Sunday, March 16th, 2025 9:30 A.M.

Service Host: Dohn H. **Assistant Host:** Ryan S.

Cookie Servers: Doug & Karla O. and Paul & Eileen D.

We celebrate the Lord's Supper on the 1st Sunday of each month.

From the Deacons

3-2-2025

General Fund \$ 5,535.00 Benevolent Fund: \$ 240.00 TOTAL \$ 5,775.00



Pastor Brett Barksdale March 9th, 2025

We welcome you to our worship today and invite you to join us in our multi-purpose room after the morning worship service for a time of fellowship.

Prelude
Announcements & Greetings
Call to Worship/Confession
Praise Time
Congregational Prayer
Hymn #559 All the Way My Savior Leads me (vs.1-2)
Children's Message

New Testament Scripture: Acts 21:1-16 Sermon: Discerning the Will of the Lord

Hymn #535 Make Me A Servant (x3)
(General offering gathered.)
Benediction
Closing Hymn #457 Lord, Be Glorified (vs.1-3)

9:30 A.M.....Worship Service

Service Host: Paul B. Assistant Host: Dohn H.

Cookies: Gary & Laura H. and Ben & Sam D.

*Sunday School today

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are invited to a Bridal Shower for Elsa Rosemarie, bride-to-be of Mason Dehmlow | Saturday March 15 at 2pm at Unity Church. The couple is registered at myregistry.com (click - find their gift list/type either name to pull up on the registry).

You are invited to a Bridal Shower for Erica Schramm, bride - to - be of Noah Slagter | Saturday March 29 at 10:30am at Roseland Reformed Church. The couple is registered at Target, Amazon or at https://www.theknot.com/us/erica-schramm-and-noah-slagter-may-2025/registry
If you would like to RSVP, please go to https://www.eventcreate.com/e/ericaisgettingmarried

March is Food Shelf Month! The Kandiyohi County Food Shelf has been helping Kandiyohi County residents since 1982. Their mission is to help relieve the suffering from hunger by providing food assistance.

Families are welcome to come to the Food Shelf once a month. A variety of items are given to them which include frozen meat, dairy, produce and many canned goods. Families are typically going home with an average of 60–80 pounds of food. The Kandiyohi County Food Shelf relies solely on donations from individuals, churches, businesses, civic groups and grants to continue serving the community.

Food Donations are gladly accepted, but monetary donations go a lot further. A \$20 donation to the food shelf can help to purchase almost \$200 worth of food through their Food Bank, Second Harvest Heartland.

There will be a marked container in the Foyer for Food Donations. Feel free to put monetary donations in the offering during the month of March.

More ANNOUNCEMENTS....

North Carolina Helping Hands Mission Trip - Volunteers **Needed:** First CRC of Prinsburg's Helping Hands Team is hoping to gather a group of volunteers to take a trip to Asheville, North Carolina from March 22–29. This area was hit hard last September by flooding caused by Hurricane Helena. Many homes have been damaged or destroyed in its wake. We are looking for volunteers to assist with carpentry of various stages, brush removal, landscaping and other home projects. Adults and Junior and Senior high school students are needed! Prayers are also needed in the continued planning as well as during the trip for travel, work, and support of those affected. Please consider a financial contribution to help cover the cost of transportation, meals and lodging, as well as materials for projects to be completed. Checks can be written to First CRC with "Helping Hands-NC" in the memo line and sent to PO Box 237 - Prinsburg, MN 56281. Please reach out to Mitch Slagter 320-220-1141 or Duane Bonnema 320-212-9660 with any questions or if you are interested in volunteering.

The Central MN Christian School Drama Department is preparing for its Spring Play, "The Glass Slipper," by Vera Morris. The cast includes 17 High School students and two Middle School students in this retelling of the Cinderella story. Performances will be on Thursday, April 3, and Friday, April 4, at 7:00pm in the Central Event Center. A Dinner Theater experience will be offered on Saturday, April 5, at 6:00pm. Tickets go live on Wednesday, March 12, at centralbluejays.org/resources. Tickets for Thursday and Friday will be \$10 a person. Dinner Theater tickets will be \$45 a person.

Save the Date: Roseland Pancake Supper and Church Auction are on April 9th. More details to come.

Operation Christmas Child has also been collecting!

(January- Hats, gloves, and scarves)
(February-Accessories: baseball hats, t-shirts, sunglasses, socks, hairclips, jewelry, watches & flashlights (with extra batteries), empty plastic containers to hold items)

-March: Quality Crafts: Make your own hairbows, finger puppets, friendship bracelets, fishing kits, sewing kits, etc.

Pancake Feed: The Prinsburg Fire Department and First Responders Relief Association invite you to their annual Pancake Feed on Monday, March 17, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Prinsburg Fire Hall. A freewill donation will be taken, and all proceeds will go toward the equipment needs of the Fire Department and First Responders (checks can be made out to Fire Relief Association). Take-outs are available.

Central Minnesota Christian School invites you to

Central Preview, an event for prospective families interested in Christian Education on Tuesday, March 18 at 6:30pm in the Event Center. If you would like to attend Central Preview, where you will receive a tour, meet staff, and learn more about the school, RSVP by March 14 at centralbluejays.org/preview or by contacting the High School office at 320-978-8700.

The Bunde-Raymond Youth Group would like to invite you to join us at our annual Soup & Pie Supper fundraiser! We will be serving up this delicious free will donation meal at Bunde CRC on Wednesday, March 19th from 5pm to 7pm. There will be a to-go option as well. Funds raised from this event will go towards mission trips, activities, and speakers. Thanks for your support!

PRAYERS

General Prayers:

- -Paul's twin brother Phil recent heart procedure, strength and full recovery
- -The passing of Lindsey Knapper, prayers for her parents Paul and Wanda
- -Continued blessing on Christel's shoulder healing
- -Prayers for encouragement for Jaydens grandpa Jeff because of leg amputation
- -Prayers for Maria S. and her families health/work/finances/and decision making
- -Prayers for Anthony's calf infection and procedures
- -For God to keep transforming hearts
- -Recovery of strength and health for Helen
- -Ivan and Emily health and recovery
- -Prayers for Bev's dog Makalya's frequent seizures
- -Mel, Veera P., and Dean's Parkinsons
- -For encouragement and healing for the cancer treatments of:

Success for Gary Wubben treatments

Steve Boonstra Lymphoma treatments

Successful treatment options for Sarah breast cancer Dennis Plummer

Deb Hoekstra

- -Prayer of thanks Terri's niece Sarah's cancer gone
- -Tyler colon cancer making progress but continued prayers
- -prayers for the persecuted church and missionaries in the World
- -The wars in the world would come to an end
- -We pray for our servicemen, police officers, military, EMS, firefighters and others who serve and protect us.
- -For those who couldn't be with us today for LaVonne, Ruth P, Ellanor, Eleanor, Ethel

Pastor Brett Barksdale March 9th, 2025 Discerning the Will of the Lord Acts 21:1-16

Discerning the Will of the Lord, by looking at the past... (Acts 19:21)(Acts 20:22)

Discerning the Will of the Lord, by evaluating what you hear from loved ones... (Acts 21:1-6)

Discerning the Will of the Lord, by considering the input of Godly counselors... (Acts 21:7-12)

Discerning the Will of the Lord, through your current convictions... (Acts 21:13-16)



BOOKS & RESOURCES

recommendations by Pastor Brett

Are you interested in diving deeper into a certain topic or to find more information on something you are challenged with? Pastor Brett has compiled a list of resources for you to explore.

BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

Dinner Table Devotions by Nancy Guthrie
The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry: How to Stay Emotionally
Healthy and Spiritually Alive in the Chaos of the Modern
World

Creative Bible Teaching by Lawerence Richards
The Courage to be Protestant-Reformation Faith in
Today's World

Covenantal Baptism by Jason Helopoulos
Church History in Plain Language by Bruce Shelley
Confessing the Faith by Chad Van Dixhorn
Church Membership by Jonathan Landry Cruse
Work-It's Purpose and Dignity by Dan Dorani
The Meaning of Marriage by Timothy Keller
The Christian Sabbath by Terry L. Johnson
The Lord's Supper: Answers to Common Questions by
Keith A. Mathison
Surprised by Suffering by RC Sproul

Surviving Religion 101-By Michael Kruger

KIDS DISCIPLESHIP

Bible Infographics for Kids: Giants, Ninja Skills, a Talking
Donkey, and What's the Deal with the Tabernacle?
Jesus Saves-The Gospel for Toddlers
The Biggest Story Family Devotional By Crossway, Douglas
Sean O'Donnell
God Came Near to Me By Kristen Wetherell,
God's Big Promises Bible Storybook By Carl Laferton
The Chronicles of Narnia by C.S. Lewis

STUDY BIBLES

The ESV Reformation Study Bible by Reformation Trust Publishing

ONLINE BOOKSTORES, RESOURCES, AND PODCATS

https://www.prpbooks.com

https://www.heritagebooks.org

https://www.wtsbooks.com

https://store.focusonthefamily.com

https://rts.edu/mind-heart-show/

https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/renewing-your-

mind/id110916650

https://corechristianity.com/radio

https://www.modernreformation.org/