



**THE LORD'S DAY**  
*March 12, 2023*  
**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**  
*10:00 a.m.*

PRELUDE *Piano/Chancel Organ*

CALL TO WORSHIP & STRIKING THE HOUR *"Amazing Grace" The Carillon Bells*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† † INTROIT *"What A Mighty God We Serve"* Page 672  
*† Please stand as you are able. (Verse 1)*

† HYMN *"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"* Page 688  
*(Verses 1,2,4)*

† PRAYER OF THE DAY AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

† ANTHEM *"Gloria Patri"* Page 813

† HYMN *"Trust and Obey"* Page 571  
*(Verses 1,4,5)*

**WE PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER AND RECITE GOD'S COVENANT PROMISES**

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSORIAL *"Psalm 84"* *Psalter 84<sup>D</sup>*  
*Sung to the tune of: "Just As I Am, Without One Plea"*  
*(Verses 4,6)*

RESPONSIVE READING: *The Heidelberg Catechism*

**WE RETURN OUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE UNTO THE LORD**

RECEIVING THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

† DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER



**WE LIFT OUR VOICES IN PRAISE**

HYMN *"He Hideth My Soul"* Page 611  
*(Verses 1,3,4)*

SPECIAL MUSIC

**EXPOSITION OF THE WORD AND CONFESSION OF FAITH**

THE SERMON  
*"Peacemaking Is Not Appeasement"*  
**Matthew 5:1-9**

† THE APOSTLES' CREED

† CLOSING HYMN *"Peace like a River"* Page 750  
*(All Verses)*

† BENEDICTION

† ANTHEM *"The Family of God"* Page 419

**DEPART IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD**

*If you are visiting with us today, we're glad you're here.  
 We are ordinary people on an extraordinary journey,  
 learning to love and serve like Jesus. Come with Us!*



In this constantly changing world our goal is to reflect and recapture the historic and classical worship of Almighty God. Central to our service is the proclamation of the Word and a biblical understanding of the Sacraments in the tradition of the Evangelical and Reformed faith

**OUR MISSION**  
 TO PRESENT CHRIST TO EVERYONE,  
 EVERYWHERE, AT EVERY AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITY.



THE LESSONS FOR USE ON THE  
 THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT  
**Exodus 17:1-7 • Romans 5:1-11**  
**Matthew 5:1-9 • Psalm 95**

WE AFFIRM THE FOLLOWING:

- The Holy Trinity of God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- God has revealed Himself fully and decisively in Holy Scripture. We believe the Bible, consisting of the Old and New Testaments, to be the inspired, infallible, and authoritative Word of God and our guide for faith and life.
- There is only one way to Salvation - through Jesus Christ.
- The sanctity of human life based on our creation in the image of God and our election by God for service in His Kingdom. This leads us to respectfully affirm the sanctity of life at every stage, from conception to ordinary death.
- The Biblical guidelines for unalterable gender and sexuality: The exclusive union of one man and one woman in marriage; and fidelity to its vows. And, chastity outside of marriage for the sake of the Kingdom.
- God made all people from one man and although people can be distinguished by different ethnicities and nationalities, we are all one human race and absolute equals before God in creation, the need for repentance, and the offer of redemption.
- That the mission of the Church is to spread the Good News of the Gospel in every word and deed. Proclaiming to the world the atoning death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and seeking to bring every person into a life of faith, discipleship, and submission to Him.

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| ATTENDANCE<br>LAST SUNDAY: 141  |                            | <b>GIVING REPORT</b><br>Week Ending March 5, 2023<br><b>\$6,958</b>  |                       |       |                       |     |                            |              |                     |      |                      |      |                    |              |                   |  |                      |     |           |     |         |    |      |    |             |     |                             |     |          |     |                                |              |             |       |                   |       |                       |                |
| Are you interested in Church Membership?<br><br>We receive new members the last Sunday of each month. If you are interested in joining our Church family, please see Pastor Kler today. |                            | <table border="0"> <tr><td>Sunday General Giving</td><td style="text-align: right;">5,957</td></tr> <tr><td>Online General Giving</td><td style="text-align: right;">196</td></tr> <tr><td><b>Total General Gifts</b></td><td style="text-align: right;"><b>6,153</b></td></tr> <tr><td>Less 3% to Building</td><td style="text-align: right;">-185</td></tr> <tr><td>Less 10% to Missions</td><td style="text-align: right;">-616</td></tr> <tr><td><b>Net General</b></td><td style="text-align: right;"><b>5,352</b></td></tr> <tr><td>Designated Giving</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>  Building Maintenance</td><td style="text-align: right;">285</td></tr> <tr><td>  Education</td><td style="text-align: right;">160</td></tr> <tr><td>  Flowers</td><td style="text-align: right;">50</td></tr> <tr><td>  Gals</td><td style="text-align: right;">25</td></tr> <tr><td>  Hospitality</td><td style="text-align: right;">200</td></tr> <tr><td>  Memorial (flag pole topper)</td><td style="text-align: right;">200</td></tr> <tr><td>  Missions</td><td style="text-align: right;">686</td></tr> <tr><td><b>Total Designated Giving</b></td><td style="text-align: right;"><b>1,606</b></td></tr> <tr><td>Net General</td><td style="text-align: right;">5,352</td></tr> <tr><td>Designated Giving</td><td style="text-align: right;">1,606</td></tr> <tr><td><b>Total Receipts</b></td><td style="text-align: right;"><b>\$6,958</b></td></tr> </table> | Sunday General Giving | 5,957 | Online General Giving | 196 | <b>Total General Gifts</b> | <b>6,153</b> | Less 3% to Building | -185 | Less 10% to Missions | -616 | <b>Net General</b> | <b>5,352</b> | Designated Giving |  | Building Maintenance | 285 | Education | 160 | Flowers | 50 | Gals | 25 | Hospitality | 200 | Memorial (flag pole topper) | 200 | Missions | 686 | <b>Total Designated Giving</b> | <b>1,606</b> | Net General | 5,352 | Designated Giving | 1,606 | <b>Total Receipts</b> | <b>\$6,958</b> |
|   | Sunday General Giving      | 5,957  |                       |       |                       |     |                            |              |                     |      |                      |      |                    |              |                   |  |                      |     |           |     |         |    |      |    |             |     |                             |     |          |     |                                |              |             |       |                   |       |                       |                |
|   | Online General Giving      | 196  |                       |       |                       |     |                            |              |                     |      |                      |      |                    |              |                   |  |                      |     |           |     |         |    |      |    |             |     |                             |     |          |     |                                |              |             |       |                   |       |                       |                |
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|   | Less 3% to Building        | -185   |                       |       |                       |     |                            |              |                     |      |                      |      |                    |              |                   |  |                      |     |           |     |         |    |      |    |             |     |                             |     |          |     |                                |              |             |       |                   |       |                       |                |
|   | Less 10% to Missions       | -616   |                       |       |                       |     |                            |              |                     |      |                      |      |                    |              |                   |  |                      |     |           |     |         |    |      |    |             |     |                             |     |          |     |                                |              |             |       |                   |       |                       |                |
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|   | Building Maintenance       | 285  |                       |       |                       |     |                            |              |                     |      |                      |      |                    |              |                   |  |                      |     |           |     |         |    |      |    |             |     |                             |     |          |     |                                |              |             |       |                   |       |                       |                |
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| Flowers   | 50                         |  |                       |       |                       |     |                            |              |                     |      |                      |      |                    |              |                   |  |                      |     |           |     |         |    |      |    |             |     |                             |     |          |     |                                |              |             |       |                   |       |                       |                |
| Gals  | 25                         |  |                       |       |                       |     |                            |              |                     |      |                      |      |                    |              |                   |  |                      |     |           |     |         |    |      |    |             |     |                             |     |          |     |                                |              |             |       |                   |       |                       |                |
| Hospitality   | 200                        |  |                       |       |                       |     |                            |              |                     |      |                      |      |                    |              |                   |  |                      |     |           |     |         |    |      |    |             |     |                             |     |          |     |                                |              |             |       |                   |       |                       |                |
| Memorial (flag pole topper)   | 200                        |  |                       |       |                       |     |                            |              |                     |      |                      |      |                    |              |                   |  |                      |     |           |     |         |    |      |    |             |     |                             |     |          |     |                                |              |             |       |                   |       |                       |                |
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Monthly reports are posted in the Fellowship Hall.

# WHY DO WE DO THAT?

WHY DO WE REPEAT THE APOSTLES' CREED EVERY SUNDAY?

Have you ever seen those little yellow booklets called Cliff Notes? They provide a sometimes much-needed overview that helps readers understand even the densest novels. They aren't just a shortcut for procrastinators; they are handy tools for navigating complex, multilayered stories. In the same way, the Apostles' Creed is a Cliff Notes-style summary of what the Christian Church believes. The Creed does not replace the Bible but is a helpful tool for understanding it. That is the primary reason that we recite it each week – to affirm and confirm the truths we claim. The other reason is to provide a complete presentation of the Gospel so that if someone only attends our service once, they will be given the whole of God's Truth.

Occasionally when we say the Creed, people have become uncomfortable with the phrase "he [Jesus] descended into hell" because they don't like the idea of Christ going there. Others are uncomfortable with the words because they don't like the concept of hell itself. But there is a simple and comforting explanation of the phrase. The Bible tells us in 2 Corinthians 5:21 "For he [God] hath made him [Jesus] to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." When Christ went to the cross, he did not just bear our sin, he became our sin, and it caused a separation from God the Father so that he cried out, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" (Matthew 27:46, KJV). At that moment, He endured the separation and punishment of hell itself so that you and I wouldn't have to. John Calvin said of this phrase in the Creed: "If Christ had died only a bodily death, it would have been ineffectual. No – it was expedient at the same time for him to undergo the severity of God's vengeance; no wonder, then, if he is said to have descended into hell..." (ICR, II, 16, 8-12)

One final thought: The Apostles' Creed begins with the words "I believe." True belief is always personal. So, do You believe? No one can sit on the fence forever. Eternity hangs on your answer.

## Wednesday Night Bible Study

Don't forget, Wednesday Night Bible Study is on a *one week break* and will resume 03/22/2023 at 4:00 p.m.

ASSISTIVE LISTENING SYSTEMS AVAILABLE



If you have difficulty hearing during Worship, please see one of our Sound Booth Technicians before the service begins.



The Chancel Flowers Are Placed by:



Fred and Barbara Wolfe  
in honor of their 58th Anniversary.

Gary Ashline and mom Verena Ruddnick  
in celebration of Linda's Birthday

Walter and Linda Lougee in honor of their 60th Wedding Anniversary  
and in memory of their parents.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MARCH 2023

Board Meeting.....Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.  
5<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook-Off Set-Up.....Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.  
(Food served at 4:00 p.m.)



"I've never heard him preach a bad sermon... I always turn my hearing aid down."

Did you know our Church offers online giving And text-to-give? They are **Easy and Secure!** You can give online at:  
<https://fcczh.breezechms.com/give/online>

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### THE ELDERS TEACHING & WORSHIP

Rev. H. Joseph Kler  
Senior Pastor / L.F.O.C. Chaplain

Rev. John O. Strauss  
Worship Leader / Minister of Music

### THE DIACONATE Jim Leitzke, Gary Hatrick

OUR MUSICIANS  
Dee Schults, Ann Dantuma  
Pianist/Organist

Donna Zenisek-Huber Flutist

SOUND BOOTH  
Joe Negron, Jonathan Kler

### THE BOARD YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

Board President.....John Vosteen.....

Vice-President.....Cheryl Howard...

Treasurer.....Pam Lain.....

Education.....Linda Walchak...

Women's Fellowship.....Vickie Kler.....

Multi-Media.....Ric Romyn.....

Missions.....Barbara O'Brien..

Music..... Rev. John Strauss

Events/Hospitality.....Clara Vosteen....

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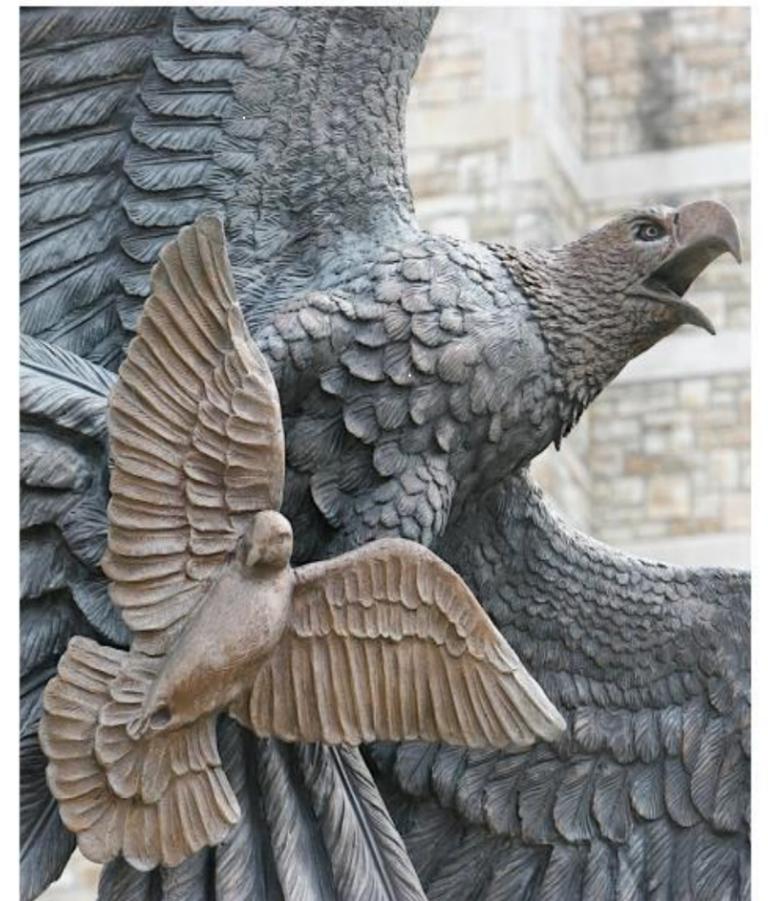
OUR VOLUNTEER STAFFED  
CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:  
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# FAIRVIEW

COMMUNITY CHURCH of ZEPHYRHILLS  
...a Christ-centered, Reformed faith fellowship.

Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing, but encourage one another as the Day of the Lord draws near. -Hebrews 10:25



**Blessed are the Peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.**

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