Welcome visitors! We are glad you could worship with us today.

Please fill out a Welcome Card in the pew and put it in the offering plate to help us connect with you!

Lenten Lunches – Lenten Lunches will be hosted at the Grundy Community Center, 12-1pm. Colfax will host the lunch on March 29. Able to help serve? Please contact Fran Harms (641-869-3463).

Missionary Highlights – "Thankyous" and highlights from our many missionaries are featured on a table in the Narthex.

Chair Meeting – Monday, March 6, at 5:15 – 6:15pm

Spring Women's Bible Study - Starting <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>March 21</u> in the Church Parlor! Our Tuesday morning group (9:30a) offers a chance to participate WITH CHILDCARE, and our Tuesday night group (6:30p) allows you to come after your workday. We will be studying Paul Miller's "Grace Through the Eyes of Jesus," looking at the book of Luke. Busy Spring? No problem! This is a "no homework-just show up" study! Questions? Contact Aimee Wolfe (507-450-4204).

Thank You – Dear WIC Members, you were a true blessing as we celebrated the life of our dear Mother, Dixie. We are grateful for your generosity of time and kindness. Please accept this donation for something you need or anything that could be purchased in Dixie's name.

Sincerely, Dixie Spain Family

Thank You – Thank you so much for the memorial given in honor of JoAnn. She so loved her church family, her women's group & Bible Study. Thank you for helping at the service & the wonderful food. We will miss her terribly - but take comfort in the fact she is reunited with her loved ones. Thank you for everything.

The Family of JoAnn Harken

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March 5, 2023

Reflection Before Worship

This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. Indeed, in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says: "You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive." For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.' But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear. For truly, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.

Matthew 13:13-17

Prelude Announcements

*Call to Worship

Psalm 29:1-4

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness. The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters. The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

*Hymn of Praise

GHF 17 – Come Thou Fount

Call to Confession

Jeremiah 7:23-26

But this command I gave them: 'Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and you shall be my people. And walk in all the way that I command you, that it may be well with you.' But they did not obey or incline their ear, but walked in their own counsels and the stubbornness of their evil hearts, and went backward and not forward. From the day that your fathers came out of the land of Egypt to this day, I have persistently sent all my servants the prophets to them, day after day. Yet they did not listen to me or incline their ear, but stiffened their neck. They did worse than their fathers.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

2 Chronicles 7:11-14

Thus Solomon finished the house of the LORD and the king's house. All that Solomon had planned to do in the house of the LORD and in his own house he successfully accomplished. Then the LORD appeared to Solomon in the night and said to him: "I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a house of sacrifice. When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command the locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people, if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

*Song of Celebration

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Worship Through Giving

General Fund

*Doxology

*Greeting

Leader: "The grace and peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you"

Congregation: "And also with you"

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Supplication

Reading of God's Word

Psalm 81

Sermon

"Hearing the Voice of God"

Pastor Luke

*Confession of Faith

Apostles Creed
(Back of Sermon Outline)

(Duck of Scimon

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

*Song of Response

Behold the Lamb

*Benediction and Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand

This Week Colfax

Sunday, March 5

9:00a - "Colfax Coffee Chat" 9:30a - Morning Worship 10:30a - Coffee Fellowship 11:00a – Sunday School for all ages "The Meaning of Marriage" Class 2:00p – Guys Group

Monday, March 6

5:15 - 6:15p - Chair Meeting

Wednesday, March 8

12-1pm – Lenten Lunch 6:15p – "Chaos" 7:15p – "Friends First"

Sunday, March 12

9:00a - "Colfax Coffee Chat" 9:30a – Morning Worship 10:30a – Colfax Coffee Fellowship 11:00a – Sunday School for all ages "The Meaning of Marriage" Class 2:00p – Guys Group

Call the church, 319-824-5231, or email secretary@colfaxcenterchurch.org of upcoming meetings to ensure building access and up-to-date calendars.

<u>Please communicate all announcements to the church office</u> weekly by 3:00 p.m. Wednesdays.

Serving Sunday, March 12

Coffee Chat: Launstein Family

Coffee Fellowship: Fran, Carol K, Wava H Greeters: Fran & Maxine; Larry & Carolyn Stahl

Nursery Worship: Launstein Family

Nursey during Sunday School: Lori Willis

Elevator Attendant: Jim Beninga

PowerPoint: Caleb Wolfe Camera: Leon Johnson Sound: Sheryl Johnson

CENTER PRAISES & PRAYER CONCERNS

As you go to the Lord in prayer, please read the following scripture: Romans 12:12 "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

Our nation and its leaders.

The ministries of our church:

- > Pastor Luke, Aimee, and their family
- > Elders & Deacons as they lead the church
- Current Elders: Leon Johnson, Dean Salo, Curt Tjepkes, Tom Simms, Larry Stahl, Donn Anderson, Paul Smit
- Current Deacons: Brian Boomgarden, Jesse Willis, Coty Albers, Shawn Albers, Blake Eberline, Bryce Eberline, Jim Beninga, & Curt Bakker
- Our Children's ministries
- > The hearts of our congregation
- > Our Missionaries, especially those in sensitive countries.

Iowa Presbytery:

- Cornerstone Presbyterian Church (Ackley, IA)

Medical Prayer Request

Larry Dreesman – For receiving treatments for cancer.

Connie Doughan – For Bone Marrow Transplant, Her address: Gift of Life Transplant Center, 707 – 2nd Street S.W., Room 54, Rochester, MN. 55902.

Tracy (Kolder) Scheib – For receiving treatments for cancer. Family of JoAnn Harken – mourning her recent passing.

<u>Pray also for</u> Our armed forces, especially <u>Cassidy Bronchick</u>, <u>Mary Pruisner</u>. <u>Jacob Eilers</u>. Also, those who are anxious or discouraged; facing difficult situations in their families; struggling with sin in their or do not know Christ.

Those who are shut-in or in nursing homes:

Mary Bakker; Bernard & Ethel Buskohl; Phyllis DeNeui; Verone Nederhoff; Minetta Tjepkes; Dorothy Westerman; Margie Kuhlman; Viola Vasey

Sermon Outline "Hearing the Voice of God"

1. The Feasts of the Lord

2. Falling on Deaf Ears

3. The Day of Atonement

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen