**Welcome visitors!** We are glad you could worship with us today. Please fill out a <u>Welcome Card</u> in the pew and put it in the offering plate to help us connect with you!

**2023 Annual Report –** Copies of the Annual Report will be available in the Narthex, following the worship service.

**Town Hall Meeting** – Next Sunday, February 4 we will meet during the Sunday School Hour in the Fellowship Hall to present and answer questions pertaining to the 2023 Annual Report. Sunday School teachers and childcare workers will have an opportunity to address their questions after the Sunday School hour. Plan to stay afterward for lunch. A soup lunch will be provided.

**Congregational Meeting** – Sunday, February 11 we will have a Called Congregational Meeting immediately after the worship service for the purpose of reviewing our Annual Report and approving our General and Missions Budgets. (Parents will pick up their children from the nursery prior to the meeting).

**Lenten Lunches** – Colfax will be participating once again in the Grundy Community Lenten Lunches. These are hosted at the Grundy Center Community Center, Wednesdays beginning February 14. Colfax will host the lunch on February 21. Additional Details to follow.

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# Sunday January 28, 2024

#### Reflection Before Service

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek."

Romans 1:16

"But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us."

2 Corinthians 4:7

# Prelude

#### Announcements

# \*Call to Worship

Psalm 19:7-11

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

# \*Hymn of Praise

GHF 34 – Immortal, Invisible (v. 1, 2, 4)

#### Call to Confession

Isaiah 29:13-14

And the Lord said: "Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men, therefore, behold, I will again do wonderful things with this people, with wonder upon wonder; and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden."

### Prayer of Adoration and Confession.

#### Assurance of Pardon

Matthew 11:25-26, 28-30

At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.

...Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

\*Song of Celebration

How Deep the Father's Love

Worship Through Giving

Mission Fund

\*Doxology

\*Confession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism #70-72

Q. 70. Which is the seventh commandment?

A. The seventh commandment is, You shall not commit adultery.

Q. 71. What is required in the seventh commandment?

A. The seventh commandment requires the preservation of our own and our neighbor's chastity, in heart, speech, and behavior.

Q. 72. What is forbidden in the seventh commandment?

A. The seventh commandment forbids all unchaste thoughts, words, and actions.

\*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

1 Corinthians 1:18-2:16

**Sermon** "The Wisdom and Folly of the Gospel"

Pastor Luke Wolfe

\*Song of Response

GHF 334 – Be Thou My Vision

#### Benediction and Postlude

\*Those who are able, please stand

#### This Week at Colfax

#### Sunday, January 28

9:00a – "Coffee Chat"

9:30a - Morning Worship

10:30a – Coffee Fellowship

11:00a – Sunday School All Ages

6:30p – Women's Prayer Group

#### Wednesday, January 31

6:15p – "Chaos"

7:00p – "Friends First"

#### Sunday, February 4

9:00a – "Coffee Chat"

9:30a – Morning Worship

10:30a – Coffee Fellowship

11:00a – Sunday School

11:00a – Town Hall Meeting

(Soup Lunch to Follow)

# Serving Sunday, February 4

Coffee Chat: Andrew & Amanda E Coffee Fellowship: Mike & Karen D Greeters: Morris Family & Elaine S

Nursery Worship: Andrew & Amanda E Nursey (SS): Andrew & Amanda E

Elevator Attendant: Jesse Willis PowerPoint: Macy Boomgarden

**Camera:** Steve Jones **Sound:** Larry Freed

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.

#### COLFAX 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, 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.

<u>Iowa Presbytery:</u> - Westkirk PCA (Urbandale) – Rev. Michael Mudlaff

# **Medical Prayer Request**

Wava Hemmen – Ongoing health troubles

Eldon Kruger – Receiving treatments for cancer.

**Larry Dreesman –** Receiving treatments for cancer.

**Marcia Andersen –** Receiving treatments for cancer.

**Sheryl Johnson** – Receiving treatments for cancer.

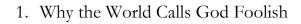
Cathy Janssen - Healing from a respiratory illness.

**Pray also for -** Our armed forces (Cassidy Bronchick, Mary Pruisner, and Jacob Eilers). Also, those who are anxious, discouraged, facing difficult family situations, struggling with sin, or do not know Christ.

#### Those who are shut-in or in nursing homes:

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

# Sermon Outline "The Wisdom and Folly of the Gospel"



2. Why God Calls the World Foolish

3. Where the Foolish Find Wisdom