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!

Welcome Jack Ritsema – Will be preaching during the Worship Service.

Daniel Rust – Will be preaching Sunday, November 23.

Prayer Concerns – For all Prayer concerns, contact Patti Norris. (319-824-5231 or 319-823-0151).

November-December Newsletter – Printed copies of the newsletter are in the Narthex.

Operation Christmas Child - There are two ways to contribute to Operation Christmas Child - 1) fill a shoebox (return by 11/23) or 2) contribute with a monetary donation via offering by 11/9 (note Operation Christmas Child in memo line). More information can be found in the Narthex. Please reach out to Amanda Everts or Judy Harberts with any questions.

Thank you for your support of this mission!

Veterans – Please let us know if there was a Veteran that didn't get honored last Sunday.

Contact Patti Norris (319-824-5231 or 319-823-0151).

Angel Tree - The Colfax Care Team is again sponsoring Wings of Refuge for our Angel Tree mission for this Christmas season. The tree will be set up by Sunday, November 23 in the narthex. Please take a tag (or two) to purchase and then return the gift item by Sunday, December 7. The gifts will be delivered that week to Wings of Refuge in Ames. Please wrap or bag it with Angel gift tag attached. THANK YOU for your generosity in past years in showing love to these women through your giving. We appreciate again your love and generosity to this mission for these young women who have experienced the



unimaginable trauma and abuse of sex trafficking.





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"A Church in the Country, For the Community"

Sunday November 16, 2023

Reflection Before Service

A counterfeit god is anything so central and essential to your life that, should you lose it, your life would feel hardly worth living. An idol has such a controlling position in your heart that you can spend most of your passion and energy, your emotional and financial resources, on it without a second thought. ... An idol is whatever you look at and say, in your heart of hearts, "If I have that, then I'll feel my life has meaning, then I'll know I have value, then I'll feel significant and secure." There are many ways to describe that kind of relationship to something, but perhaps the best one is *worship*.

Rev. Tim Keller

Prelude Announcements

*Call to Worship

Psalm 97:1, 6-7, 12

The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad! ... "The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory. All worshipers of images are put to shame, who make their boast in worthless idols; worship him, all you gods!"..."Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!"

*Hymn of Praise

GHF 70 – Holy, Holy, Holy (vv.1, 3,4)

Call to Confession

Deuteronomy 8:17-20

Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.' You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day. And if you forget the LORD your God and go after other gods and serve them and worship them, I solemnly warn you today that you shall surely perish. Like the nations that the LORD makes to perish before you, so shall you perish, because you would not obey the voice of the LORD your God.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession.

The Lord's Prayer (Back of Sermon Outline)

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 8:31-34, 38-39

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will

us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.... For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*Song of Celebration

Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me

Worship Through Giving

General Fund

*Doxology

*Confession of Faith

Westminster Short Catechism #57

Q. 57. Which is the fourth commandment?

A. The fourth commandment is, Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy. Six days shall you labor, and do all your work: but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord your God: in it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates: For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day: therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and made it holy.

*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

2 Peter 2

Sermon

"Deliver Us from Evil"

Pastor Jack Ritsema

*Song of Response

GHF 125 – Jesus Paid it All

Benediction and Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand

This Week at Colfax

Sunday, November 16

9:00a - "Coffee Chat"

9:30a – Morning Worship

10:30a – Coffee Fellowship

11:00a – Sunday School All Ages

Tuesday, November 18

9:30a - Women's Bible Study

2:00p - Care Team - Arlington

6:30p – Women's Bible Study

Sunday, November 23

9:00a - "Coffee Chat"

9:30a – Morning Worship

10:30a – Coffee Fellowship

11:00a – Sunday School All Ages

6:30p – Women's Prayer Group

Serving Sunday, November 23

Coffee Chat: Andrew & Amanda E Coffee Fellowship: Ruth T & Jan W

Greeters: Harberts & Johnsons

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

Elevator Attendant: Jim B

PowerPoint: Jane L 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.

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:

- Elders & Deacons as they lead the church.
- Current Elders: Dean Salo, Curt Tjepkes, Tom Simms, Paul Smit, Kasey Lyons
- Current Deacons: Jesse Willis, Coty Albers, Shawn Albers, Bryce Eberline, Jim Beninga, Curt Bakker, Trent Siefken, Jason Steinmeyer
- Our Children's Ministries
- > The hearts of our congregation
- ➤ Our Missionaries, especially those in sensitive countries.

<u>Iowa Presbytery:</u> - One Ancient Hope (Iowa City) – Rev. Will Bankston

Medical Prayer Request

Barbara Reiter - Judy Harbert's sister. Healing from a car accident.

Laurie Kessler – Healing from cancer.

Shelby Luwe – Receiving strong Chemo treatments for cancerous tumors that have returned.

Mark Benshoof – Receiving treatments for prostate cancer.

Brian Schissel – Receiving treatments for a brain tumor.

Sheryl Johnson – Receiving treatments for cancer.

Aimee Wolfe – Healing from a broken foot.

Pray also for - Our armed forces (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; Margie Kuhlman, Shirley Luwe, Orene Eberline, Joyce Dreesman.

Sermon Outline "DELIVER US FROM EVIL"

2 Peter 2

The Last Petition in the Lord's Prayer: "Deliver Us from Evil."

- 1. The **7 sources of Evil** are:
- a. The first source of evil we ask God to deliver us from is **the guilt of our sins!**
- b. The second source of evil is the Evil One himself, the devil!
- c. The third source of evil that tries to destroy us is **the many cruel demons** Satan has at his command!
 - d. The fourth source of evil is that of wicked people.
 - e. The fifth source of evil is one we seldom think of: it is **Nature under God's Curse**.
- f. The sixth source of evil is the consequences of our own sins!
 - g. The seventh source of evil is **our own sinful nature**.
 - 2. How God delivers us from all Evil.
 - a. God delivers us from evil when we ask Him to.
 - b. Sometimes **God chooses suffering for us** instead.

God blesses us with favor upon favor, deliverance upon deliverance, as we trust in Him by His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

- He delivers us from all 7 sources of evil as we ask and as He chooses.
- Let us humbly trust in Him as we once again pray that prayer that Jesus, through His Apostles, taught us: the Lord's Prayer.

Amen → Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13 ESV)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever.
Amen