

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

Our Nursery is open. Please have your child (3 years and younger) in the nursery by 9:25 am for worship.

The Pastoral Search Committee would like to thank the congregation for their continued prayers during the long and involved process of finding our next pastor. We have begun to receive applications from interested candidates. Please pray for wisdom and discernment as we move forward. Thank you!

During this transition period, when the pastor search committee is conducting its work, **Pastor Bill Massey** feels greatly privileged to be serving Colfax Center as its interim minister.

RYM 2020: We will be sending a group of our young people to Laguna Beach, FL, July 6-11 to participate in the Reformed Youth Ministries conference. We need your prayers as we work out the details. If you would like to help with individual expenses for those who want to go, it would be greatly appreciated. Indicate your donation is for RYM when contributing to the church offerings. If you have any questions, contact David Pruin 319/939-0502 or davidpruin@gmail.com. Thank you.

If anyone is opposed to **Colfax Center** using their **photograph on the website**, please contact a member of the pastoral search committee. Otherwise we will use random photos from Church activities to add to the website on occasion. If anyone has questions, please contact a PSC member. Thank you.

Saturday, February 22, the **Mobile Pantry** for the Northeast Iowa Food Bank is being hosted at the Grundy Center YMCA (102 G Ave). American Lutheran continues to sponsor this opportunity. Volunteers from area churches are welcome to assist in unloading the truck, distributing food items, and carrying items to vehicles with guests who receive. Volunteers are needed 8:00 – 10:30 am. Persons who wish to volunteer from our congregation are asked to contact Ruth Thoren by Thursday, February 20 so that we can let the folks at American know an approximate count of helpers.

Colfax Center Church

Presbyterian Church in America

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*If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.
The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.*

2 Corinthians 5:17

The Lord's Day

Seventh Sunday of the Year

February 16, 2020

As you enter prepare yourself to worship. Please silence your phone.

For Reflection Before Worship

-- Isaiah 41:10

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

-- Charles Spurgeon

When called to serve or to suffer, we take stock of our strength, and find it to be less than we thought, and less than we need. But let not our heart sink while we have such a word as this to fall back on. It guarantees all that we need. God has strength omnipotent which He can communicate to us; and His promise is that He will. There is no telling how much power God can put into a man. When divine strength comes, human weakness isn't a hindrance. The fact is, that God gives unexpected strength when unusual trials come upon us. We rise out of our feeble selves. Cowards play the man, foolish ones have wisdom given them, and the silent receive in the self-same hour what they shall speak. My own weakness makes me shrink, but God's promise makes me brave.

Prelude

Pat Neessen

Announcements

*Call to Worship

-- Revelation 5:9

"You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation."

*Hymn of Praise GHF #142, *Jesus Shall Reign*

*Invocation

*Responsive Affirmation of Faith

-- Heidelberg Cat. Q. #51-52

Christ ascended to heaven,
there to show that he is head of his church,
and that the Father rules all things through him.
How does our Savior and King's glorious reign
and return comfort you?

First, through his Holy Spirit

he pours out his gifts from heaven
upon us his members.

Second, by his power

he defends us and keeps us safe
from all enemies

Third, in all my distresses and trials

I turn my eyes to the heavens

and confidently await as judge the very One
who has already stood trial in my place before God
and so has removed the whole curse from me.

All his enemies and mine

he will condemn to everlasting punishment:

but me and all his chosen ones

he will take along with him

into the joy and the glory of heaven.

Call to Confession of Sin

-- Romans 8:16-17

*The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.
Now if we are children, then we are heirs--heirs of God and co-heirs
with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may
also share in his glory.*

Pastoral Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Hymn of Confidence: GHF #118, *When I Survey*

Our Tithes and Offerings: General Fund

*Doxology

*Greet One Another

Prayers of the People

Reading of God's Word

-- Philippians 2:19-24

Sermon: *A Portrait of a Servant*

Rev. Bill Massey

*Response GHF #164, *Breathe on me, Breath of God*

*Benediction and Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand

This Week at Colfax

Sunday, February 16

9:30 am	Morning Worship
10:45 am	Coffee Fellowship
11:00 am	Sunday School
6:00 pm	Prayer Meeting

Thursday, February 20

7:00 pm Men's Group

Sunday, February 23

9:30 am	Morning Worship
10:45 am	Coffee Fellowship/ Albers diaper shower
11:00 am	Sunday School
6:00 pm	Prayer Meeting

Serving Sunday, February 23

Sanctuary Flowers: Available
Coffee Fellowship: Chuck and Ruth Thoren
Greeters: Fran Harms and Maxine Hayungs
Elevator Attendant: Paul Smit
Nursery Attendant: Boomgarden Family
SS Nursery Attendant: Sandy Wiers
Camera: Steve Jones
PowerPoint: Trey Morris

COLFAX CENTER PRAISES AND 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 Bill, Valerie and their family
- Elders & Deacons as they lead the church

Current Elders: Donn Anderson, Leon Johnson, Al Harberts

Current Deacons: Mike Dieken, Ken Harken, Paul Smit, Chuck Thoren, Doug Wiers, and Jesse Willis

- Our Children's ministries
- The hearts of our congregation

All of Our Missionaries, especially those in sensitive countries.

Those battling cancer: Karen Arends; Bill Aswegan; Glenn Beckwith, Cindy Klaassen, Megan Hook; Kenny Luhring, Kay Schultz, Brad Wos

Medical prayer requests:

- **Bill Aswegan and Rod Schwab** for encouragement, wisdom and direction.
- **Kim Venenga** for a donor to be found for Kidney transplant
- **Richard Lamfers** for comfort and healing from surgery

Pray also for those on active duty in our armed forces; anxious, or discouraged; facing difficult situations in their families; struggling with sin in their lives or do not know Christ.

Those who are shut-in or in nursing homes:

Pauline Arends; Mary Bakker; Phyllis DeNeui; Eldon & Elna Dieken; Deloris Eilers, Grace Ennenga; Norma Hook; Anna Mae Klaassen; Verone Nederhoff; Darris Smit; Dixie Spain

Please pray for the young people who are attending the Communicants' Class.

Colfax Church is joining other community churches in hosting **Lenten Lunches at the Community Center**. We will host on **Wednesday, March 4** from 11:45 to 12:45. Soup, bread, and dessert will be served. **Volunteers are needed** to help. Please contact Fran Harms at 641-869-3463

A new **Adult Sunday School** class, 'Life Explored' will be held for seven weeks **beginning March 15th**. During the class, we will uncover what people are living for and see how, in Christ, God meets our deepest desire for happiness

A **new members class, 'Intro to Colfax Church'** will be held for six weeks beginning **Sunday, March 29** with Pastor Bill. Find out more about Colfax Church. Indicate your interest on the registration pad

Phyliss DeNeiu's 90th birthday is on February 20. We're having a card shower for her. Phyliss address is:

Phyliss DeNeiu
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W11963 75th Avenue
River Falls, WI. 54022

The Colfax Center Care Team.

February 23rd there will be a **diaper shower for Kierstyn Albers**, daughter of Coty and Kamille Albers. She uses pampers brand diapers. Size 1 and up would be great.

The **flowers** today are in memory of **Tom Morris** from Leon, Sheryl, and family. Tom passed away 20 years ago and it was his birthday this month.

