

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** asks for your continued prayers as our opening has been posted to organizations recommended by McGowan Search. Please pray that the man God is preparing for us senses the guidance of the Holy Spirit to respond to our need.

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

If you are not already part of an Adult Sunday School class, **join Pastor Bill for a new class, "The Prodigal God."** During this six-week class, we'll watch a brief DVD session and then examine **"The Parable of the Prodigal Son" in Luke's gospel.** We will gain helpful insights from each of the characters in Jesus' parable: the irreligious younger son, the moralistic elder son, and the father who lavishes his love on both.

Today, a diaper shower will be held for Andie Ellen Eberline, daughter of Blake and Britny. She wears pampers and is requesting size 3 or larger.

RYM for 2020: We are planning to support our young people and send a group to RYM at Laguna Beach, FL, July 6-11. Because our own student body is small, we will keep things simpler and not help sponsor students from other churches this year. Instead, the church will pay for travel, consistent with funding for individual mission trips. Parents are asked (where able) to pay registration (\$475). Given we are sending a small group, there will be no fund-raising events. We are proposing that the counselor(s) cover up to \$200 for their expenses. We greatly appreciate your individual support for our young people. Please prayerfully consider giving in the next few months to help cover individual costs. If you have any questions, feel free to contact David Pruin, 319/939-0502. Please indicate your donation is for RYM when contributing to church offering. 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.

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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

Fourth Sunday of the Year

January 26, 2020

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

For Reflection Before Worship

-- *Philippians 2:3*

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.

-- Lewis Smedes

Pride is the grand illusion. The fantasy that we can make it as little gods but leaves us empty at the center. Once we decide we have to make it on our own, we are attacked by the demons of fear and anxiety. So, we learn swagger, to bluff, to use symbols to cover up our fears that we lack substance. We force other people to act as buttresses for the shaky ego that pride created. Every time you meet a new person, you are unconsciously wondering, "How can this person contribute to my need to prove that I count?"

Prelude

Carol Krull

Announcements

*Call to Worship

-- *2 Corinthians 8:9*

You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. Let us worship him!

*Hymn of Praise GHF #118, *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

*Invocation

*Affirmation of Faith

-- *Heidelberg Cat. #54*

**I believe that the Son of God
through his Spirit and Word,
out of the entire human race,
from the beginning of the world to its end,
gathers, protects, and preserves for himself
a community chosen for eternal life
and united in truth faith.
And of this community I am and always will be**

A living member.

Call to Confession of Sin

-- *Psalm 18:25-27*

With the merciful you show yourself merciful; with the blameless man you show yourself blameless; with the purified you show yourself pure; and with the crooked you make yourself seem tortuous. For you save a humble people, but the haughty eyes you bring down.

Pastoral Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

-- *2 Corinthians 5:21*

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

*Hymns of Devotion: GHF #442, *Praise Him! Praise Him!*

GHF #57, *Jesus, I Am Resting*

Our Tithes and Offerings: Missions Fund

-- *Matthew 10:8*

Freely you have received, freely give.

*Doxology

*Greet One Another

Prayers of the People

Reading of God's Word

-- *Philippians 2:5-8*

Sermon: *The King Who Stooped to Serve*

Rev. Bill Massey

*Response GHF #44, *And Can It Be That I Should Gain?*

*Benediction and Postlude

**Those who are able, please stand*

This Week at Colfax

Sunday, January 26

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

Thursday, January 30

7:00 pm Elders and Deacons Meeting

Sunday, February 2

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Serving Sunday, February 2

Sanctuary Flowers: Available
Coffee Fellowship: Bill and Janet Aswegan
Greeters: Eldon & Linda Kruger, Leon & Sheryl Johnson
Elevator Attendant: Chuck Thoren
Nursery Attendant: Wiers Family
SS Nursery Attendant: Doug Wiers
Camera: Steve Jones
PowerPoint: Ally Boomgarden

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, David Pruin,
Dean Salo, Curt Tjepkes

Current Deacons: Mike Dieken, Ken Harken, Chad Pruisner,
Paul Smit, Chuck Thoren, Red Werkman

- 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.
- **Bob Getting** for comfort and healing from his fall
- **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.

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