

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

MEET YOUR PASTOR & AIMEE - Please sign up on the table by the south door if you would like to meet with Pastor & Aimee and a small group over coffee. Please note preference of morning, afternoon or evening. We will communicate openings and homes as soon as we have enough people signed up. If you are willing to host these coffees, there is a place to sign up for that. Pastor Luke & Aimee are excited to get to know you.

Colfax Center will celebrate their **150th Anniversary, “ROOTED IN FAITH - HONORING OUR LEGACY”** on June 12 & 13, 2021. If you have items or information to share, please contact Sandy Simms at 319-269-1687 or tsimms@gcmuni.net.

The Care Team is hosting a **baby/diaper shower today for Joey Hill & Heather Lamfers’ son Dawson Daniel Hill**. Please place diapers (Size 2 and up, any brand) on the table in the Narthex.

2020 Annual Reports will be available in the narthex Sunday, January 31st. **Colfax’s Annual meeting** will be held following morning worship on Sunday, February 7th.

By Law Changes: There is a small change being proposed to our church bylaws to keep them in line with the bylaws of the denomination. Details on this change are available on a printout in the Narthex.

The Archive Team is looking for a picture of a neon cross that was on the front of the interior of the church. Please contact Ruth Thoren at 319-239-0593 or gc.ruthie@gmail.com if you can help. Thank you!

Volunteer Opportunities:

- **Video and Sound:** Assist with video recording and sound on Sundays. We will provide adequate training and support as you learn to work the system. Questions? Contact Mike Dieken (319-240-0249; mikedieken@gmail.com)
- **Nursery Volunteers:** We need additional volunteers to care for the youngest in our congregation. Please consider this opportunity to serve the young families of our church and pave the way for more families to join Colfax. Questions? Contact Pastor Luke (763-670-7337; pastor@colfaxcenterchurch.org) or Karen Dieken (319-240-2728; mkdieken@gmail.com).

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January 24, 2021

For Reflection Before Worship

“Then some of the scribes and Pharisees answered him, saying, “Teacher, we wish to see a sign from you.” But he answered them, “An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. For just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here.”

Matthew 12:38-41

“In many places, the Bible describes how the Lord, like a loving parent, brings strong discipline on his wayward children to direct them back to obedience and thus to the good paths in which he wants them to walk...This is exactly what happens here. Jonah had been fleeing from the Lord since the story’s beginning (Jonah 1:3). The Lord disciplines Jonah by propelling him further down this path—to the very bottom of the sea (2:6)! It is as though he says to Jonah, “You want to flee from me? Then let me make very clear where this path will lead!” As a result of such discipline, he brings Jonah to the complete end of his own strength and ability. Jonah comes to his senses and turns back to the Lord, finally “calling out” to him for help (2:2). This is one of the goals of the Lord’s discipline of his children when they disobey: he desires them to turn back to him in obedient faith, walking in his paths and thus in close fellowship with him.”

Jay Sklaar

Prelude

Sandy Simms

Announcements

*Call to Worship

Psalm 31:23-24

Love the LORD, all you his saints! The LORD preserves the faithful but abundantly repays the one who acts in pride. Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the LORD!

*Hymn of Praise

GHF 27 - “I Sing the Mighty Power”

Call to Confession

Psalm 88:1-3, 6-7

O LORD, God of my salvation, I cry out day and night before you.

Let my prayer come before you; incline your ear to my cry! For my soul is full of troubles, and my life draws near to Sheol. You have put me in the depths of the pit, in the regions dark and deep.

Your wrath lies heavy upon me, and you overwhelm me with all your waves.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 40:1, 16-17

I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love your salvation say continually, “Great is the LORD!” As for me, I am poor and needy, but the Lord takes thought for me. You are my help and my deliverer; do not delay, O my God!

Worship Through Giving

(We will continue to collect tithes and offerings in the narthex.)

Special Music

Lord I Need You - Colfax Worship Team

*Praise & Celebration

GHF 212 - “Nothing But the Blood”

*Confession of Faith

New City Catechism Question 18

Q: Will God allow our disobedience and idolatry to go unpunished?

A: No, every sin is against the sovereignty, holiness, and goodness of God, and against his righteous law, and God is righteously angry with our sins and will punish them in his just judgment both in this life, and in the life to come.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Supplication

Reading of God’s Word

Jonah 1:17-2:10

Sermon

“The Sign of Jonah”

Pastor Luke Wolfe

*Responsive Worship

Speak, O Lord

*Doxology

*Benediction and Postlude

**Those who are able, please stand*

This Week at Colfax

Sunday, January 24

9:30 am Morning Worship
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship
11:00 am Sunday School

Tuesday, January 26

9:30 am Archive Team
4:00 pm Praise Team
5:00 pm 150th Anniversary Committee

Wednesday, January 27

7:00 pm Youth @ Orchard Hill

Thursday, January 28

7:00 pm Elders & Deacons

Sunday, January 31

9:30 am Morning Worship
10:30 am Coffee Fellowship
11:00 am Sunday School

**Could you please let Karen Dieken know if a team is meeting? You can reach her at 319-240-2728 or mkdieken@gmail.com. We are trying to be diligent with keeping our calendar up-to-date and want to make sure the church is unlocked for groups/individuals needing access.

Thank you, Pastor Luke

Serving Sunday, January 31

Coffee Fellowship: Curt & Julie Tjepkes

Elevator Attendant: Jesse Willis

Nursery during Worship: Britny & Blake Eberline

SS Nursery Attendant: Karen Dieken

PowerPoint: Taylor Launstein

Sound: Mike Dieken

Camera: Steve Jones

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: Donn Anderson, Al Harberts, Leon Johnson
Current Deacons: Mike Dieken, Paul Smit, Chuck Thoren,
Doug Wiers, Jesse Willis
- Our Children’s ministries
- The hearts of our congregation
- Our Missionaries, especially those in sensitive countries.

Those battling cancer: Cindy Klaassen

Medical prayer requests:

- **Arnold Ennenga** for comfort & recovery of a fractured lumbar in his back
- **Bruce Harberts** for treatments he is receiving for several cancers
- **Rod Schwab** for encouragement, wisdom and direction
- **Kim Venenga** for a kidney donor to be found
- Those suffering with COVID.

Pray also for those on active duty in our armed forces, especially **Cassidy Borwig**, those who are 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; Bernard & Ethel Buskohl;
Phyllis DeNeui; Eldon & Elna Dieken; Deloris Eilers,
Anna Mae Klaassen; Verone Nederhoff; Dixie Spain

You are invited!
Sunday School Schedule

Bell rings at 10:55 a.m. to go to classrooms
5-minute buzzer rings at 11:40
Final buzzer to adjourn 11:45

***Please encourage your child to wear a mask. You can bring one or disposable ones are available in the Fellowship Hall and classrooms.**

****Please pick up your students in their classrooms.**

Reminder: Some classrooms have been relocated to encourage physical distancing from each other.

Ages 4-5, Teachers: Karen Boomgarden, Claire Belson & Linda Kruger, Yellow classroom

First-Third Grade, Teachers: Cathy Janssen, Sandy Simms & Victoria deFrancisco-Pruin - Purple classroom

Junior High and High School, Teacher: Pastor Luke Wolfe, Blue classroom

Adult Sunday School, Teacher: Aimee Wolfe, Fellowship Hall

Those who want to continue coffee fellowship instead of attending Sunday School are invited to move to the Parlor.

Jonah 1:17-2:10

“The Sign of Jonah”

1. Hitting Rock Bottom

2. The Cry of Faith

3. Salvation Belongs to the Lord