

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

Please fill out a Welcome Card in the pew and put it in the offering plate to help us connect with you!

Lenten Lunches – Lenten Lunches will be hosted at the Grundy Community Center, Wednesday, March 15, 12-1pm. Colfax will host the lunch on March 29. Able to help serve? Please contact Fran Harms (641-869-3463).

Spring Women's Bible Study - Starting Tuesday, March 21 in the Church Parlor! Our Tuesday morning group (9:30a) offers a chance to participate WITH CHILDCARE, and our Tuesday night group (6:30p) allows you to come after your workday. We will be studying Paul Miller's "Grace Through the Eyes of Jesus," looking at the book of Luke. Busy Spring? No problem! This is a "no homework-just show up" study! Questions? Contact Aimee Wolfe (507-450-4204).

Charlotte Mark's Address –
Charlotte Mark, c/o Juanita Truelove
8200 Southwestern Blvd, Apt. 1003
Dallas, TX 75206

Thank You - I am writing on behalf of my father, Marvin Nederhoff. He would like to thank you for the cards, concerns, and prayer support before, during, and after his surgery. It was all much appreciated.

Rhonda Deters

Care Team Meeting – Care Team will meet directly after the service today.

Colfax Center Presbyterian Church

Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)
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Holland, IA 50642

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March 12, 2023

Reflection Before Worship

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Matthew 5:43-48

Prelude

Announcements

*Call to Worship

Psalm 9:19-20

Arise, O LORD! Let not man prevail; let the nations be judged before you! Put them in fear, O LORD! Let the nations know that they are but men!

*Hymn of Praise

GHF 36 – A Mighty Fortress
(v. 1, 2 & 4)

Call to Confession

Ephesians 2:1-3

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:6-11

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall

we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Children’s Message

Elder Leon Johnson

*Song of Celebration

Cornerstone

Worship Through Giving

General Fund

*Doxology

*Confession of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism #15 & 16

Q. 15. What was the sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created?

A. The sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created, was their eating the forbidden fruit.

Q. 16. Did all mankind fall in Adam’s first transgression?

A. The covenant being made with Adam, not only for himself, but for his posterity; all mankind, descending from him by ordinary generation, sinned in him, and fell with him, in his first transgression.

*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

Psalm 35

Sermon

“Praying for Our Enemies”

Pastor Luke

*Song of Response

GHF 126 – Rock of Ages

Benediction and Postlude

**Those who are able, please stand*

This Week Colfax

Sunday, March 12

- 9:00a - "Colfax Coffee Chat"
- 9:30a - Morning Worship
- 10:30a - Coffee Fellowship
- 11:00a – Sunday School for all ages
"The Meaning of Marriage" Class
- 2:00p – Guys Group
- 6:30p - Women's Prayer Group

Wednesday, March 15

- 12-1pm – Lenten Lunch

Sunday, March 19

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- 9:30a – Morning Worship
- 10:30a – Colfax Coffee Fellowship
- 11:00a – Sunday School for all ages
"The Meaning of Marriage" Class
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Call the church, 319-824-5231, or email secretary@colfaxcenterchurch.org of upcoming meetings to ensure building access and up-to-date calendars.

Please communicate all announcements to the church office weekly by 3:00 p.m. Wednesdays.

Serving Sunday, March 19

- Coffee Chat:** Launstein Family
- Coffee Fellowship:** Leon & Sheryl Johnson
- Greeters:** Sheila S/Joyce B; Jim & Betty Heeren
- Nursery Worship:** Launstein Family
- Nursery during Sunday School:** Amanda Everts
- Elevator Attendant:** Brian Boomgarden
- PowerPoint:** Macy Boomgarden
- Camera:** Leon Johnson
- Sound:** Sheryl Johnson

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, Larry Stahl, 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.

Iowa Presbytery:

- Cornerstone Presbyterian Church (Ackley, IA)

Medical Prayer Request

Larry Dreesman – For receiving treatments for cancer.

Connie Doughan – For Bone Marrow Transplant, Her address: Gift of Life Transplant Center, 707 – 2nd Street S.W., Room 54, Rochester, MN. 55902.

Tracy (Kolder) Scheib – For receiving treatments for cancer.

Family of JoAnn Harken – Mourning her recent passing.

Family of Karen Boomgarden – Mourning her father's passing.

Pray also for - Our armed forces, especially Cassidy Bronchick, Mary Pruisner, and Jacob Eilers. Also, 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:

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

Sermon Outline
“Praying for Our Enemies”

1. Enemies in the World

2. Enemies of the Church

3. Enemies of the Lord