

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 22, 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).

Easter Services – We’re looking forward to hosting our traditional Easter services! **Good Friday** - 7p; **Sunday Sunrise Service** - 8a; **Easter Breakfast** - 8:30a; **Easter Worship** - 9:30. Want to help with the Good Friday service (lights, readings, PowerPoint, music)? Contact Pastor Luke (pastor@colfaxcenterchurch.org).

Colfax Center Presbyterian Church

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March 19, 2023

Reflection Before Worship

Depth and strength underlie the simplicity of [Psalm 23]. Its peace is not escape; its contentment is not complacency: there is readiness to face deep darkness and imminent attack, and the climax reveals a love which homes towards no material goal but to the Lord Himself.” ~ Derek Kidner

Prelude

Announcements

*Call to Worship

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 23-24

“For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness... And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.

*Hymn of Praise

GHF 37 – How Great Thou Art
(v.1, 3 & 4)

Call to Confession

Ezekiel 34:5-6

So they were scattered, because there was no shepherd, and they became food for all the wild beasts. My sheep were scattered; they wandered over all the mountains and on every high hill. My sheep were scattered over all the face of the earth, with none to search or seek for them.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 43:1-4a

But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: “Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you.”

*Song of Celebration

GHF 204 – Turn Your Eyes

Worship Through Giving

General Fund

*Doxology

*Confession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism #17 & 18

Q. 17. Into what estate did the fall bring mankind?

A. The fall brought mankind into an estate of sin and misery.

Q. 18. Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. The sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell, consists in the guilt of Adam’s first sin, the want of original righteousness, and the corruption of his whole nature, which is commonly called original sin; together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.

*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 23

Sermon

“The LORD is my Shepherd”

Pastor Luke

*Song of Response

GHF 256 – It Is Well

Benediction and Postlude

**Those who are able, please stand*

This Week Colfax

Sunday, March 19

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

Tuesday, March 21

9:30a – Women's Bible Study
6:30p – Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, March 22

12-1pm – Lenten Lunch

Thursday, March 23

6:15p – "Chaos"
7:15p – "Friends First"

Sunday, March 26

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

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 26

Coffee Chat: Dean & Kristie Salo

Coffee Fellowship: Donn & Pam Anderson

Greeters: Chuck/Ruth Thoren; Leon/Sheryl Johnson

Nursery Worship: Jim & Maggie Beninga

Nurse during Sunday School: Kasey & Erin Lyons

Elevator Attendant: Coty Albers

PowerPoint: Jordan Launstein

Camera: Steve Jones

Sound: Larry Freed

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.

Cinda Pankratz – For receiving treatment for a blood infection.

Her Address: Cinda Pankratz, University of Iowa Hospital & Clinics, Room #2376, 200 Hawkins Dr., Iowa City, IA 52242

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
“The LORD is My Shepherd”

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