

**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!*

**Card Shower** – The Care Team is sponsoring a card shower for Ethel Buskohl who will turn 99 on November 26<sup>th</sup>. Her address is:  
1009 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Park View Manor, Reinbeck, IA 50669.

**Christmas in Grundy County** - A two-day event (Dec. 13-14) that allows parents who may be struggling financially this holiday season the opportunity to shop for Christmas gifts for their own children. There are opportunities to donate and volunteer. More information is available in the Narthex.

**Operation Christmas Child** – Only two weeks left! There are lots of empty boxes ready to be filled in the Narthex (return by 11/24). More information can be found in the Narthex. The Children’s ministry will present the boxes, and we will pray for them and the children who receive them on Sunday, Nov. 24. Thank you for your support in this mission!

**Newsletter** – Printed copies of the November-December Newsletter are in the Narthex.



## Colfax Center Presbyterian Church

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**“A Church in the Country, For the Community”**

Sunday November 17, 2024

## Reflection Before Worship

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:1-2

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## Prelude Announcements

**\*Call to Worship** Psalm 25:1-5

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me. Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous. Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.

**\*Hymn of Praise** GHF 37 – How Great Thou Art  
(vv. 1, 3, 4)

**Call to Confession** Psalm 51:1-4, 10-12  
Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment...Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

## Prayer of Adoration and Confession

**Assurance of Pardon** Amos 9:13–15  
“Behold, the days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when the plowman shall overtake the reaper and the treader of grapes him who sows the seed; the mountains shall drip sweet wine, and all the hills shall flow with it. I will restore the fortunes of my people Israel, and they shall rebuild the ruined cities and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and drink their wine, and they shall make gardens and eat their fruit. I will plant them on their land, and they shall never again be uprooted out of the land that I have given them,” says the Lord your God.

**\*Song of Celebration** 10,000 Reasons

**Worship Through Giving** General Fund

**\*Doxology**

**\*Confession of Faith** New City Catechism #15

*Q: Since no one can keep the law, what is its purpose?*

**A: That we may know the holy nature and will of God, and the sinful nature and disobedience of our hearts; and thus our need of a Savior. The law also teaches and exhorts us to live a life worthy of our Savior.**

**\*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** John 2:1-12

**Sermon** “The Glory and Shame of the Gospel” Pastor Luke Wolfe

**\*Song of Response** GHF 127 – Hallelujah, What a Savior  
(vv. 1, 3, 5)

## Benediction and Postlude

*\*Those who are able, please stand*

## **This Week at Colfax**

### **Sunday, November 17**

9:00a – “Coffee Chat”  
9:30a – Morning Worship  
10:30a – Coffee Fellowship  
11:00a – Sunday School All Ages

### **Tuesday, November 19**

9:30a – Women’s Bible Study  
2:00p – Care Team – Arlington - All Invited  
6:30p – Women’s Bible Study

### **Wednesday, November 20**

6:15p – Chaos @ Orchard Hill  
7:00p – Friends First @ Orchard Hill

### **Sunday, November 24**

9:00a – “Coffee Chat”  
9:30a – Morning Worship  
10:30a – Coffee Fellowship  
11:00a – Sunday School All Ages  
6:30p – Women’s Prayer Group

### **Serving Sunday, November 24**

**Coffee Chat:** Trent & Brittney S  
**Coffee Fellowship:** Jesse & Lori W  
**Greeters:** Johnsons & Harberts  
**Nursery Worship:** Trent & Brittney S  
**Nurse (SS):** Trent & Brittney S  
**Elevator Attendant:** Coty A  
**PowerPoint:** Caleb W  
**Camera:** Steve J  
**Sound:** Larry F

Call the church, 319-824-5231, or email [secretary@colfaxcenterchurch.org](mailto: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.**

## 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: Leon Johnson, Dean Salo, Curt Tjepkes, Tom Simms, Donn Anderson, Paul Smit
- Current Deacons: Jesse Willis, Coty Albers, Shawn Albers, Blake Eberline, Bryce Eberline, Jim Beninga, Curt Bakker & Trent Siefken
- Our Children’s ministries
- The hearts of our congregation
- Our Missionaries, especially those in sensitive countries.

**Iowa Presbytery:** - Westkirk PCA (Urbandale, IA)

#### **Medical Prayer Request**

**Marcia Andersen** – for healing of cancer.

**Sheryl Johnson** – Receiving treatments for cancer & surgery.

**Marvin Nederhoff** – for healing from surgery.

**Pray also for** - Our armed forces (Mary Pruisner, and Jacob Eilers). Also, those who are anxious, discouraged, facing difficult family situations, struggling with sin, or do not know Christ.

#### **Those who are shut-in or in nursing homes:**

Mary Bakker; Ethel Buskohl; Marvin & Verone Nederhoff; Margie Kuhlman, Shirley Luwe.

Sermon Notes  
“The Glory and Shame of the Gospel”

1. The Glory of the Wedding Feast
2. Our Ineffective Response to Shame
3. The Glory of the One Who Redeems Our Shame