



"MARTHA, MARTHA," THE LORD ANSWERED

**"YOU ARE WORRIED AND UPSET ABOUT MANY THINGS, BUT FEW THINGS ARE NEEDED-OR INDEED ONLY ONE.MARY HAS CHOSEN WHAT IS BETTER, AND IT WILL NOT BE TAKEN AWAY FROM HER."**

LUKE 10:41-42

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## **We Enter God's Presence**

Call to Worship

Opening Song: *"Made to Thrive"*

Welcome and God's Greeting

Song of Praise: *"One Thing Remains"*

Confession and Assurance

Song: *"He Knows My Name"*

Announcements and Intercessory Prayer

## **We Hear God's Word**

Song: *"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"*

Scripture: Luke 10:38-42

Message: **"One Necessary Thing"** -Mr. Dick Ahlberg

Prayer of Application

Song of Application: *"Lord, I Need You"*

## **We Depart With God's Blessing**

Parting Blessing

Parting Song: *"Draw Me Close"*

# *Sermon Notes*

# "I will sing

of the Lord's great love forever; with my mouth I will  
make your faithfulness known through all generations."

-Psalm 89:1

A HAPPY AND BLESSED NEW YEAR to you in the name of Jesus our Lord! With joy we welcome you to this place of worship and fellowship today. As we look toward another year of God's goodness and faithfulness, let us resolve that this year will be a year of faithful service to Him and others.

This morning we welcome **Mr. Dick Ahlberg** to lead us in worship. Next Sunday, **Pastor Dale Clifton** will be here to worship with us. Please make them both feel welcome.

On January 17, Pastor Michael will begin a 5-part series entitled "Bible Stories Revisited". The first person in the Bible we visit is Noah, with scripture taken from Genesis 6:9-12. Noah did as God commanded him, despite his reservations.

We are in the process of cleaning out the upstairs kitchen to begin our construction project soon. You will find a table in the Narthex laden with treasures-and everything must go! If you or anyone you know can make use of these items, please take whatever you wish!

**The 2021 Budget envelopes are available in your church mailbox.** Please stop by and pick them up to begin using them in January. If you are unable to stop, please call the church office (369-4228) and we will get them to you. For convenience, you are also welcome to let us help you set up online giving, or you may download the church mobile giving app, Tithe.ly.

**SERVE FUNDRAISER** - This summer we have fifteen high school students signed up to travel to Whitinsville, Massachusetts from July 10-17. We are grateful to our church for their support over the years and we are asking for support once more. We are selling **Heggie's Pizza** as a fundraiser to help cover some of the expenses of the trip. You can order from any one of the students attending Serve at any point, or you can **order today in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service.** Thank you for your continued support of our youth!



**FAITH At Home Together** will resume on Monday, January 18. Materials will be distributed the week prior via email and Facebook, as well as on our website. If you would like a hard copy of the study materials, please contact the office and we can provide them for you.

The deacons gratefully acknowledge the following receipts from December 25:  
Guatemala Action Project: \$1,906.00, and from  
December 27: General Fund- \$10,143.38 and The 125 Campaign-\$962.00.

The second offering schedule for January is as follows:

1/3- Community Christian School

1/10- Scholarship Fund

1/17-Cadets

1/24- 125 Campaign

## *Our Church Family*

We wish a very happy birthday to **Joyce Kiel**, who celebrates 92 years on Monday, January 4.

We express our condolences to the family of **Joanne Ruis**, who passed away last week on Christmas Day. There will be a service held in Pease sometime this summer to celebrate her life.

**Maxine Carlson** would like to thank her church family for the Christmas cards and treats, as well as to everyone that took time to write notes to her.

*“Thank you to my church family for all the beautiful Christmas cards and the delicious ‘goodies’ brought to my home this past year. May God be with you and keep you healthy and safe during these troubling times.”*

**~Louise Spoelstra**

*“Thank you so much for your generous giving this holiday season. During this pandemic, Holiday Helping Hands touched the lives of over 235 children. We were unsure how we would do this, but with the grace of God and people like you, we were successful” ~Candy Jacobson & Dar Gould*



### **At-home Faith Formation Tip - The Practice of Engaging Scripture:**

Eugene Peterson says of Scripture engagement, “Reading is an immense gift, but only if the words are assimilated, taken into the soul—eaten, chewed, gnawed, received in unhurried delight.” Read your favorite Scripture passage that way today. Take time to savor and “gnaw” on it, noticing any new insights that come to mind. (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit: [crcna.org/FaithFormation/Practices](http://crcna.org/FaithFormation/Practices).)

**Have you heard?** Lakes and Pines, CAC is here for YOU! Lakes and Pines is a Community Action Program that serves seven counties: Mille Lacs, Kanabec, Isanti, Chisago, Pine, Carlton and Aitkin. Our mission is to build communities by serving local families and individuals. Programs and services include, but are certainly not limited to: Head Start/Early Head Start, Weatherization, Energy Assistance, Housing/Homelessness, Senior Chore Services, Respite Care, Mental Health Resources, MNSure Navigators, Tax Clinics, and so much more. We are here for you! We want to serve you! If you have any questions or unmet needs, please call 320-679-1800. We are happy to help!

## *Calendar for the Week*

### **Sunday, January 3**

9:30 a.m. Morning Worship

### **Wednesday, January 6**

6:30 p.m. REC Jr.

7:45 p.m. REC

## *Advance Notices*

- Sunday Night Live (Kids Club, GEMS and Cadets) will resume Sunday, January 10 at 4:00 p.m.
- Administrative Team meeting will take place on Monday, January 11.
- Shepherding meeting will take place on Monday, January 18.

# Opportunities To Serve

**Sound Board Today, January 3:** Ryan Swanson  
**Next Sunday, January 10:** Bernie Boldt

**Media Today, January 3:** Linda Droogsma  
**Next Sunday, January 10:** Stacy Patten

**Livestream Today, January 3:** Dylan Moorlag  
**Next Sunday, January 10:** Dylan Moorlag

## **Greeters Today, January 3:**

**East Entrance:** Morris Droogsma

**West Entrance:** Shirley Geurkink

## **Next Sunday, January 10:**

**East Entrance:** Terry Kragt

**West Entrance:** Sharry Kragt

## **Ushers Today, January 3:**

**East:** Diana Krueger

**West:** Pam Ruis

**Center:** Bill Ruis

## **Next Sunday, January 10:**

**East:** Mitch & Edie Kuperus

**West:** John Teeler

**Center:** Carol Smith



## **Guidelines for Pease CRC's Resumption of Corporate Worship**

*As we welcome you back to in-person worship, and in an effort to love our neighbor, your adherence to the following guidelines is appreciated!*

*We are happy to have you back!*

- ◆ Social distancing of at least 6 feet between people or families not of the same household is required.
- ◆ Mask wearing is required.
- ◆ Do not touch or open hymn books or Bibles. Everything you need to worship will be on the screen, or you may bring your own.
- ◆ Greeters will be opening the entrance doors for you.
- ◆ Hand sanitizer will be available at both entrances, and you are encouraged to use it.
- ◆ You must allow ushers to seat and dismiss you in the sanctuary. PLEASE DO NOT SEAT YOURSELF.
- ◆ You must proceed immediately to the sanctuary to be seated when you enter the building, and proceed outdoors immediately after you are dismissed.
- ◆ Offering plates will be available on tables in the back of church for you to place your offerings.
- ◆ Families with children 2nd grade and younger will be allowed to gather in the Fellowship Hall, where you may still participate in the service. Activities will be provided for your kids, or you can bring your own.
- ◆ Nursery, Little Lambs, and Worship Center are currently unavailable.

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