REVELATION: THE VICTORY OF THE LAMB

Christian Reformed Church of Pease Pastor Michael Ten Haken September 13, 2020 ~ 9:30 A.M.

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We Enter God's Presence

Call to Worship Opening Song: *"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"* Welcome and God's Greeting Song of Praise: *"Your Grace is Enough"* Confession and Assurance Song of Praise: *"Amazing Grace"* Announcements and Intercessory Prayer

We Hear God's Word

Children's Message-Pastor Michael Scripture: Revelation 4:1-8; 5:1-10 Message: **"Worthy is the Lamb"**

Prayer of Application Song of Application: *"Salvation Belongs to Our God" vs. 1*

We Depart With God's Blessing

Parting Blessing Parting Song: *"Salvation Belongs to Our God" vs. 2*

Sermon Notes

- Families with children 2nd grade and younger are invited to participate in worship from the new Fellowship Hall. Each household is asked to sit at a separate table. Activities will be provided, or you may bring your own.
- As a courtesy, please switch your cell phones off or to silent mode.
- Hearing enhancers are available. Please ask an usher.
- The flow of the worship service is subject to change.



Because He is worthy...that is why we gather for worship. Worship is not for us, it is for Him who created us. Welcome to the worship of our Triune God, the Worthy One!

This morning Pastor Michael will begin a series of 10 messages on the book of Revelation called 'The Victory of the Lamb". We will begin with Revelation 4 and 5 as Jesus takes John through a door to heaven in a vision. Next week, we will look at Revelation 6 and 7.

Pastor Michael will be offering a young adult **Profession of Faith Class** on Wednesday evenings beginning September 16. The class will begin at 6:30 and will be finished at approximately 7:45. If any young person or young adult is interested in taking the next step in their faith in Jesus, please contact the office to register.

Please pray for the **Administrative Team** as they meet tomorrow evening.

The deacons gratefully acknowledge the following receipts from September 6: General Fund– \$5,374.00.00 and Community Christian School- \$576.00.

<u>The second offering schedule for September is as follows:</u> September 13: GEMS and Cadets September 20: Guatemala Action Project September 27: 125 Campaign

<u>Our Church Family</u>

We wish a very happy 80th birthday to **Jerry Baas** on Friday, September 18.

Please continue to pray for **Bob Hastings**. Bob is scheduled to have kidney stone surgery this Tuesday at the U of M Medical Center. Please pray that all goes well.

We rejoice that **Tyler Gunnufson** has been able to return home following surgery. Please keep him and his family in your prayers as doctors continue to work to determine his best course of treatment.

Please continue to keep **Tom Patten** in prayer as he slowly recovers from a blood clot in his lung.

Les Ruis spent a few nights in the hospital this past week for abdominal pain and heart failure. Please keep praying for him as he is back home at Country Meadows, but in quarantine.

We express our sympathy to the family of **Elsie Liepitz**, whose private funeral service was last Sunday. If anyone would care for an obituary, they are available in the back of church.

Dick and Lois Ritzema appreciate and thank the congregation for their prayers, visits, cards and expressions of sympathy in the death of Dick's mom. She's now at home with the Lord she loved and served throughout her long life.

<u>At-home Faith Formation Tip</u>– "God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done." List all the things you "created" last week: work projects, meals, social media posts, family schedules, clean clothes, conversations.... Which of your creations were "very good"? Which helped others flourish? Which did not? Take some time to bring your list to God in prayer. (Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; <u>crcna.org/FaithFormation</u>) **Introducing the Faith Practices Project**! - Faith Formation Ministries invites you to take a dive into transformational Christian practices (also called "spiritual disciplines") with the Faith Practices Project. Each month, find new resources for a particular practice at <u>crcna.org/faithformation/practices</u>. Join us as we start with the practice of Sabbath. We hope these resources will provide new insights for how to engage with God and open ourselves to God's work in our hearts.

FALL KICKOFF for REC and REC Jr. will be <u>today</u>, September 13, at church. REC Jr. will meet from 5:30-6:30 p.m., and REC will meet from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

<u>Advance Notice</u>

On Monday, September 21, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Classis Lake Superior will be offering a learning opportunity led by professor and CRC member RuthAnne Crapo entitled, **'Toward an Anti-Racist Ministry"**. This will be offered via ZOOM so you will be able to attend from the comfort of your own home. We will also be hosting a viewing of the conversation at church. If you are interested or would like more information about the event, please contact Pastor Michael. There are flyers available in the back of church as well.

Our Community

A weekly **grief support group** will be held at the Milaca Free Church Monday evenings from 6:00-7:30 p.m. beginning tomorrow, September 14th. Please contact Susan at 320-362-0878 with any questions.

Milaca Theater presents a free showing of the movie *Caged No More* on Sunday September 27, at 3:00 p.m. For more information, see the bulletin board near the office.

Opportunities To Serve

Greeters:

Today, September 13: Kelly Snell, Denny/Marian Beier Next Sunday, September 20: Carol Smith, John/Brenda Santema

Ushers:

Today, September 13: Mike Larsen, Shirley Geurkink, George Droogsma Next Sunday, September 20: Diana Krueger, Peter Larsen, John Teeler

Sound Board:

Today, September 13: Tom Patten Next Sunday, September 20: Jeff Hanenburg

Media:

Today, September 13: Anita Hubers Next Sunday, September 20: Stacy Patten

Livestream:

Today, September 13: Dylan Moorlag Next Sunday, September 20: Dylan Moorlag



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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 <u>required</u>.
- 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.
- There will be no nursery or Children's Worship at this time, but 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.

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