## WELCOME to the worship service of Omaha Reformed Church!

We are glad you are here and hope you are blessed as you fellowship with us. Please <u>sign our guest book</u> and <u>fill out a visitor card</u>.

As we assemble we enter the LORD's presence through His Spirit and Word. We rely entirely on the one sacrifice of Christ on the cross. We come to HIM Who is supremely worthy of praise:

"And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals; for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood, out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, and have made us kings and priests to our God. And we shall reign on the earth."

Revelation 5:9-10

#### LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

[ Trinity Hymnal

10:30 AM Tr. Psalter Hymnal]

**Opening** (\* Please stand if able)

\*Call to Worship and Greeting

\*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

\*Glory Be to the Father (unannounced) →

\*Apostles Creed (Forms p. 12, 845, 851)

\*Hymn 299

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen Amen.

"Joy to the World"

## **Confession and Prayer**

God's Revealed Will: James 3:1-18

Pastoral Prayer

Responsive Reading: Belgic Confession Article 36b (p. 74)

\*Hymn 32B

"How Blest Is He Whose Trespass"

# **God's Word Read and Proclaimed**

**Scripture: Luke 2:21-52 Text: Luke 2:39-52** 

Sermon: THE BIBLE'S STORY: Christ Our Savior Part 2

I. The Covenant Keeping of Christ's Childhood

II. The Covenant Focus of Christ's Childhood

III. The Covenant Maturation of Christ's Childhood

## **Concluding Worship**

Tithes and Offerings for the Ministry of ORC\*

\*Hymn 196

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

\*Benediction

\*Doxology (unannounced) →

(\* online giving QR Code on back)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, you heavenly host Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

#### Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." Gal. 6:2

- > PRAY FOR THE OMAHA METRO that the Lord would open the eyes of many and give spiritual life thru the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ.
- > CHURCH FAMILY: Keep Denise Lawson and family in prayer.

  Rosemarie and Keith as well. Remember Isaiah Forba as he is deployed. Pray for Benjamin Pratt as he has custody issues with his ex and is facing substantial legal expenses... pray for a good outcome.
- > FRIENDS: Angela's dad, Dick De Groot continues to wait for a kidney. The Bonynge twins continue to thrive. Those struggling with cancer: Dyanne B. and Tracie E., and a friend w/ Parkinson's. Scott Yarbrough as he is now living with a brain tumor.
- > DENOMINATION: Pastor Lee Johnson and family that Lee continues to heal. Pray for Rev. Valentine Alpuche as he labors in Shafter, CA and the Seminario Reformado de las Americas. The new Home Mission work in Bozeman, MT. Retired ministers and their widows.
- > NATION: Our country and those elected to lead. Remember those in civil and military service, judges, and the recently elected.
- > WORLD: Remember those in N. Korea, China, Pakistan, and India. Early Rain Covenant Church. Fikret Bocek. Pastors, missionaries, and believers in Japan, Philippines, Nepal, Myanmar, Kenya, Mexico, Cuba, and other countries around the world.

Tue Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting this Week

7:00 PM

# **Thoughtful Quotations**

"It is grace at the beginning and grace at the end."

--- D. Martyn Lloyd Jones

"Humility is the one thing that, once you think you have it, **you've lost** it." — Troy Lacey

"It is one of the temptations of the devil to tell you not to pray when you do not feel like praying. Pray twice as much then." —Charles Spurgeon

"Worry: Glancing at God while gazing at circumstances. Trust: Glancing at circumstances while gazing at God."—Matt Smethurst

"God gives us eternal life not by our merits but according to His mercy." —Augustine

#### **OUR HERITAGE**

Omaha Reformed Church is a mission work of the Reformed Church in the United States (founded in 1748). Our history goes back to the Protestant Reformation of the sixteenth-century. The Reformers summarized the teachings of Scripture in several historic confessions that came to be known as The Three Forms of Unity: the Heidelberg Catechism (1563), the Belgic Confession (1561) and the Canons of Dort (1619). We embrace these confessions, along with the Apostles, Nicene and Athanasian Creeds of the early church, as our own. We believe they continue to accurately summarize the teachings of God's unchanging word, the Holy Bible.

#### **OUR AUTHORITY**

With the church throughout history we believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the **only divinely inspired, infallible Word of God**. They are the final authority for all questions of doctrine and life. The Spirit of God creates faith in our hearts through the preaching of the Gospel. The Lord Jesus is the only Head of the Church and has appointed pastors, elders and deacons to oversee His people. As officers they affirm and vow to uphold our church confessions, make joint decisions and be accountable to their fellow officers in the Classis and Synod of the Reformed Church in the U.S.

#### **OUR FAITH IN CHRIST**

"There is no other name under heaven given among men, by whom we must be saved" (Acts 4:12). Jesus Christ is the only eternal Son of God and His life of perfect obedience and willing self-sacrifice for our sins is the basis of our salvation. To those who believe, He grants forgiveness of sins, true righteousness, and eternal life. These gifts, which we can neither earn nor deserve, are freely given to those who by true faith are engrafted into Him. In response to this salvation, we will be grateful and strive to live uprightly before Him. As we grow in grace, we will more and more love God, His Word and His Ways, and at the same time come to hate sin and flee from it. We trust in the grace of God to preserve us in this faith to the end. We believe that the Lord Jesus now possesses all authority in heaven and earth (Mt. 28:18) and will, on the appointed day, return to judge the living and the dead.

#### **OUR PRAYER FOR YOU**

If you're a visitor and share these convictions, we encourage you to continue worshipping with us. We have a responsibility to preserve and proclaim "the faith once for all delivered to the saints." We offer rest to the weary, comfort for the distressed and hope for all. Our members and pastor will gladly visit with you about these things.

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**OMAHA REFORMED CHURCH** is a mission work of the Reformed Church in the United States (RCUS) under the oversight of St. John's Reformed Church of Lincoln, NE. Our Pastor, Randy Klynsma has been serving Christ's Church for over 30 years proclaiming "the Faith once for all delivered to the saints" (see Jude 3).

For Assistance call or text Pastor Randy @ (402)281-3263.



# Omaha Reformed Church

"Where the Truth Lives!"

"So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations, from David until the captivity in Babylon are fourteen generations, and from the captivity in Babylon until the Christ are fourteen generations. Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as Follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly." Matthew 1:17-19

**December 11, 2022** 

9:00 AM Discip 10:30 AM V

Discipleship Worship

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