

Cascade Christian Reformed Church

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The Training Ground

February 14, 2010
Morning Worship — 10:30 AM

Welcome to the house of the Lord where we have come to worship our God! May we do this in our singing, praying, giving, preaching, and listening. May God be glorified! Please join us for refreshments and conversation in the lobby following this morning's service.

Prelude.....Jean Hofkamp, Organ
Elaine Zonnefeld, Piano

Welcome

*God's Greeting

Pastor: People of God, receive God's greeting:
Grace and peace to you from God our Father
and from the Lord Jesus Christ
through the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

*Greet One Another

*Opening Song: "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"
(projected on front wall)

*Call to Worship

Leader: Shout with joy to God, all the earth!

**People: Sing the glory of his name;
make his praise glorious!**

Leader: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
So great is your power
that your enemies cringe before you.

**People: All the earth bows down to you;
they sing praise to you,
they sing praise to your name.”**
(Psalm 66:1-4)

Time of Praise *(projected on front wall)*

“I Sing Praises”
“How Great Is Our God”
“Great in Power”
“You’re Worthy of My Praise”
“Blessed Be Your Name”
“The Potter’s Hand”

Morning Prayer

Offering.....General Fund

(The offering is the opportunity for members of the church to give as God has blessed them for the ministries and causes the church has chosen to support. Visitors are invited to show gratitude to God for his gifts by giving as well, but are not expected to do so.)

*Song: Psalter Hymnal # 551 “Oh, for a Closer Walk with God”

(The children age three through kindergarten may be dismissed for Jesus’ Little Lambs.)

Scripture: **Acts 7:20-30** *(page 1084)*
Exodus 2:11-22 *(page 56)*

Message: **LIFE IN THE PENALTY BOX**
Prayer

*Song: Psalter Hymnal # 434 “God Moves in a Mysterious Way”

*God’s Blessing

*Closing Song: Psalter Hymnal # 632 “To God Be the Glory”

Postlude

**Please Stand If Able*

Life in the Penalty Box

Theme: There are some things God wants to teach you that you cannot learn in a palace. There are some things God wants to teach you that you cannot learn through success. Moses had to learn three profound lessons that he could only learn in the desert, that he could only learn through disappointment and heartache.

Moses had it all! Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians. Moses was a BIG man in Egypt! But God needed to hone Moses to be the deliverer of His people. So God placed Moses in the penalty box (the desert) for a purpose:

I. Moses Had to Learn to Be a Humble Servant

II. Moses Had to Learn to Trust

The real question is, “Can you learn to trust God when God is silent?”

III. Moses Had to Learn to Obey

The Bottom Line For Us: The penalty box really is not a penalty box...it’s a proving ground! It’s a training ground! Where a God Who loves us is shaping us!

Evening Worship - 6:00 PM

Prelude.....Elaine Zonnefeld, Piano

Call to Worship

*Opening Song: Psalter Hymnal # 237:1-3 “We Praise You, O God”

*God’s Greeting

Time of Sharing

Evening Prayer

Offering.....Christian Schools

*(All checks without written designation for the above cause
will be applied to the General Fund.)*

*Song: Psalter Hymnal # 551:1, 3, 5

“Oh, for a Closer Walk with God”

Scripture: **Luke 24:13-35** *(page 1047)*

Message: **OUR EMMAUS ROAD**

Prayer

*Song: Psalter Hymnal # 554:1, 2, 4

“In Sweet Communion, Lord, with You”

*Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy universal church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

*God’s Blessing

*Closing Song: Psalter Hymnal # 547:1-3

“Fill Thou My Life, O Lord, My God”

Postlude

**Please Stand If Able*

OUR VISION

*We at the Cascade Christian Reformed Church seek to be a fellowship
growing in understanding of God and His Word causing us to reach out
to those who are unchurched, desiring to bring them into fellowship with God.*

CALENDAR

Today: 9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Worship Services
6:00 PM

Monday: 7:00 PM Property Ministry Team Meeting

Tuesday: 9:45 AM Coffee Break Bible Study/Story Hour
7:00 PM Outreach Ministry Team Meeting

Next Sunday: AM Offering: General Fund and
New Building Fund
PM Offering: Pregnancy Resource
Center

THE CONGREGATION is encouraged to seek God's presence for this time of worship with a moment of personal silent prayer after being seated.

TODAY WE WELCOME Rev. Gordon Terpstra who will be leading our morning worship service and Mr. Keith Houtsma who will be leading our evening service.

JESUS' LITTLE LAMBS is a ministry for children age three through kindergarten and is held during the morning service. The children may be dismissed during the singing of song # 551, "Oh, for a Closer Walk with God." **Parents, please bring your children directly to the classroom. The congregation's policies now require that only a child's mother or father may pick up the child following the worship service.** The children will be in classroom 5.

THIS MORNING'S OFFERING is for the General Fund. Our giving to the General Fund must remain strong throughout the year. We must be as committed to our church as we believe God is committed to us. His love and devotion are unfailing. Let us give this week with conviction so that our ministries may continue.

THIS EVENING'S OFFERING is for Christian Schools and will be applied to the operating expenses of the area Christian schools that our members attend. Please show your support by giving generously today.

PRAY FOR Kayla Sytsma who is going through testing for a muscle disorder and will have a muscle biopsy on March 8 at Children's Hospital.

MISSIONARY SUPPORT FOR FEBRUARY: During the month of February we are asking for contributions to support the work of Cal and Jamie Hofland in Guinea, West Africa. Envelopes were placed in your mailboxes last Sunday and can be placed in the offering any Sunday during February. Additional envelopes are available on the table in the lobby. Thank you for your support of the Hoflands' mission work.

THE PROPERTY MINISTRY TEAM will meet on Monday, February 15, at 7:00 PM.

GIRLFRIENDS UNLIMITED is putting on another social event. All women are invited to attend "Movie Night" on Thursday, February 18, at 7:00 PM in the Youth Group room. Wear your pajamas and slippers, invite your friends, and join us for an evening of fun and fellowship.

WOMEN'S RETREAT: The Cascade Women's Retreat will be held April 30 - May 1 at Sambica Retreat Center in Bellevue on Lake Sammamish. Registration will begin February 21. The cost will be \$100 per person with a \$50 deposit due at registration. If you have any questions, please talk with Cheryl DeJong or Marge Toeset. Grants are available for those who may need financial assistance.

FAITH ALIVE: Lent begins this week! Engage your heart and mind this Lenten season with "Through Tears to Joy," a daily devotional that reflects on the meaning of Jesus' suffering and the meaning of suffering in the world. It's just \$4.95 or less per copy. Visit www.FaithAliveResources.org or call 1-800-333-8300 to order.

CALVIN COLLEGE: The Summer Academy at Calvin is a real life "Calvin try on" for 9th through 12th graders looking for an early or pre-college experience that will test and improve their academic readiness for post high school studies. Real college credit, real campus life, all in Calvin's distinctively Christian learning and living environment. Check out www.calvin.edu/go/summeracademy.

WORLD MISSIONS: Are you interested in serving cross-culturally? If you're a college student or a young adult interested in serving God cross-culturally this summer, visit www.crwmm.org/smp to learn about Christian Reformed World Missions' volunteer opportunities. Options include jail ministry in Guatemala, worship workshops in the Ukraine, teaching opportunities in Nigeria, and more.

CRWRC: The Christian Reformed World Relief Committee (CRWRC) is currently working on a long-term relief response for the people of Haiti. In so doing, they are looking for volunteer Structural Engineers with preference given to those designated as Professional Engineers and specialized in concrete buildings. The main objective is to inspect existing structures. If this is of interest to you or if you want further information, please contact ServiceLink, the denominational volunteer office, at 1-877-279-9994 or volunteer@crcna.org.

BACK TO GOD HOUR—*Can I Know the Will of God?* You want to follow God, but he doesn't seem to reveal his plans to you. Is it possible to know his intentions for your life? If so, how can you know it? Find out on the February 21 *Back to God Hour*. Go to www.BacktoGod.net for local stations and times.

KIDS CORNER—*Liz for the Win (2)*: What do an exciting adventure and this Bible verse—Be doers of the Word and not just hearers—have in common? Find out on this week's *Kids Corner*. Then write to *Kids Corner* at P O Box 506, Worth IL 60482 or at kids@kidscorner.net for your very own Bible study.

CROSSROAD CONNECTION—*Bringing Hope to the Hopeless*: Dr. David Schuringa interviews Kenyan-born Joan Corneleson who is now a chaplain for Hope Network. Joan has great ideas for bringing hope to people with special needs and offers exciting volunteer opportunities. Go to www.cbi.fm to listen to *Crossroad Connection*, a restorative justice ministry of Crossroad Bible Institute.

AREA OF MINISTRY	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
JESUS' LITTLE LAMBS 3-Year-Olds through Kindergarten	Michele Poortinga Kyle Poortinga	Leanne Sytsma Emma Sytsma
NURSERY AM 10:15	Linda Stuhr Katie Hilker Madison Long	Michele Poortinga Michelle Statema Kyle Poortinga
HOSTESSES	Henny Bartholomeus Ginny Boersema	Jill Boersema Jacie DeGroot
GREETERS (West Door)	Don & Elaine Van	Dirk & Eleanor Van Dyke
USHERS	Marv Boersema Dean Lampers Eldon Wichers	Jim Boersema Marv Boersema Dean Lampers
VIDEO	Jim Van Dyke	Jim DeGroot
SOUND AM PM	Phil Zylstra Bernie Sytsma	Ron Haveman Ron Haveman

CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD

Call Bé Grimberg at 425-609-1002 or e-mail her at JGrimberg@bardicgrove.org with your prayer items. Items received by Thursday evening will be included in Sunday's guide.

NEW CONCERNS:

- ✠ Pray for Elaine Van's sister, Hildred Einfeld, who is hospitalized following a stroke.
- ✠ Pray for the Toeset's son-in-law Mark's stepfather, Don Peterson, who has been out of work for some time and is now experiencing health problems.
- ✠ Pray for the weak and vulnerable in Haiti.
- ✠ Pray for healing for Carol Hansen, English teacher at Mount Vernon Christian High School, who had surgery for a cancerous tumor. Pray that she will respond well to chemo and that soon she will be strong enough to return to teaching.
- ✠ Pray for Kathy Wishert's two children, Nathan and Christina, who are both currently unemployed.

CONTINUING CONCERNS:

- ✠ Pray for Michael Chadwick who will be having surgery to close a wound on his knee and surgery to repair a hernia.
- ✠ Pray for Minnie Pohlman who is recuperating from two recent strokes.
- ✠ Pray for guidance and direction in people's decision making.
- ✠ Pray for the youth groups and for their leaders.
- ✠ Pray for John DeGroot who is receiving treatment for prostate cancer.
- ✠ Pray for the spiritual health of the congregation in this new year.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY:

- ✠ Pray for Don and Kathy Medema and the family as they mourn the death of their daughter Karla's three-month-old son, Jayden Wayman.
- ✠ Pray for healing for Ann Sinnema's brother Sidney who recently had heart surgery.
- ✠ Pray for the people of Haiti following the major earthquake and for those who are giving aid.
- ✠ Pray for our military personnel.
- ✠ Pray that peace will be restored to Jos, Nigeria. Thank God for his protection over all CRCNA-related missionaries and families.
- ✠ Pray for those around the world who are dealing with unusual winter weather.
- ✠ Pray for Jack Crombie, Dave Duty's friend, who is dealing with significant health issues. Pray also for his wife Dorothy.
- ✠ Pray for Cory Long's father who has lung cancer and is being cared for at home.

PRAISE THE LORD:

- ☺ Give thanks that Colton, Jean Hofkamp's cousin's young grandson, was able to leave the hospital briefly to spend some time at home.
- ☺ Give thanks that Marge Johnson has a substitute teaching job at Mount Vernon Christian High School.