

July 7, 2019

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today: Reading Services 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

This week Tuesday, July 9, Rev. Adams' farewell service in Corsica at 7:00 p.m. with open house following.

Next Week: 9:30 and 2:30 p.m. services with Rev. Adams

Advance Notices: August 11 9:30 a.m. Rev. Vogelaar preparatory
August 16 7:00 p.m. Rev. Vergunst preparatory
August 18 9:30 a.m. Rev. Vergunst communion
6:30 p.m. reflection

-All the Lord Willing-

Offerings Today: 1st General Fund Next week: 1st General Fund
 2nd School Fund 2nd Living Bread

Membership: The membership papers of Mr. Daniel Breuer and his baptized children were transferred to the Sioux Center congregation at his request. We thank him for his years of service in our congregation and wish him, his wife, and family the Lord's blessing in their new church home.

We Remember in Prayer:

-Those who have been unable to gather with us for some time, our widows and widowers, our elderly, the unborn, prodigal sons and daughters, those who are under doctor's care, and all those who have hidden crosses.

MEDITATIONS

If you are Christians, be consistent. Be Christians out and out; Christians every hour, in every part. Beware of half-hearted discipleship, of compromise with evil, of conformity to the world, of trying to serve two masters – to walk in two ways, the narrow and the broad, at once. It will not do. Half-hearted Christianity will only dishonor God, while it makes you miserable.

Learn self-denying Christianity – not the form or name, but the living thing. "Even Christ pleased not himself" (Rom 15:3). Let us in this respect be His true followers; bearing burdens for Him; doing work for Him; submitting to the sorest toil for Him; not grudging effort, or cost, or sacrifice, or pain; spending and being spent for Him; abjuring the lazy, luxurious, self-pleasing, fashionable religion of the present day. A self-indulgent religion has nothing in common with the cross of the Lord Jesus Christ or with that cross of ours, which He has commanded us to take up and carry after Him, renouncing ease and denying self. Our time, our gifts, our money, our strength are all to be laid upon the altar. We are to be living sacrifices (Rom 12:1)

Christian, dwell alone! Seek not the society of the world. "Know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God?" (Jam 4:4). If you have any sympathies with that world – if it contains attractions for you – if God and the things of God are not enough for you – there is something wrong. Beware of the fascinations of company, the spells which gaiety throws over the young. Stand your ground. Be not whirled away into the tossing current of gay society on any pretext whatever. Seek the things above (Col 3:2).

Let your reading always be select; and whatever you read, begin with seeking God's blessing on it. But see that your relish for the Bible be above every other enjoyment, and the moment you begin to feel greater relish for any other book, lay it down, until you have sought deliverance from such a snare and obtained from the Holy Spirit an intenser relish, a keener appetite for the Word of God. (Jer. 15:16, Psalm 19:7-10) ~ Horatius Bonar

*All glory, might, and honor
Ascribe to God on high;
His arm protects His people
Who on His pow'r rely.
Forth from Thy holy dwelling
Thy awful glories shine;
Thou strengthenest Thy people;
Unending praise be Thine.*

Psalter 183:4

Notes

Netherlands Reformed Congregation

Sioux Falls, SD



*God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and
cause his face to shine upon us; Selah.
Psalm 67:1*

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Church Times: 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 or 6:30 p.m.