

# Abbe Reformed Church

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 8, 2013 – 10:15 AM

## GATHERING IN WORSHIP

Prelude

Call to Worship

\*Choruses

*As The Deer*  
*In My Life Lord, Be Glorified* see insert

\*Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people.  
You have called us to be the church,  
to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world.  
Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active,  
isolated than involved, callous than compassionate,  
stubborn than obedient, legalistic than loving.  
Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins.  
Remove the obstacles preventing us  
from being your representatives to a broken world.  
Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit.  
This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.**

\*Words of Assurance

\*Hymn *Take My Life and Let It Be* #379

\*Sharing in the Peace of Christ

Greeting and Announcements

Children's Time

Sonya Shampoe

**Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to him belong; they are weak but He is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

Special Music

Meagan Legters & Ryan Rice

## THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading Acts 18:24-28 p. 847

Message *The Teaching Ministry of the Church* Pastor Kristen

## OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE

Celebration of the Education Ministry

Offering

Offertory

\*Doxology

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn *I Love to Tell the Story* #297

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song

**I love to tell the story! 'Twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**

Postlude

Pastors Kristen & Noah Livingston  
Jennifer Schruers, Music Director  
Eric Legters, Pianist

*\*Congregation please stand as able*

## 2013 Consistory

### Elders

Scott Bensink - Vice President (2015)  
Duane Williams - Clerk (2014)  
Quentin Bensink (2015)  
Willis Koren (2013)  
Nelson TeCrony (2014)  
Norvel Willink (2013)

### Deacons

(2013) Head Deacon - Steve Holthouse  
(2014) Benevolent Treasurer - Mike Einink  
(2015) Eric Dunnewold  
(2015) Brian Jantzi  
(2013) Esther Nickerson  
(2014) Garret Willink

*"In the name of Christ, we welcome you to the fellowship of Abbe Church, its work and worship, its instruction and service, and to its comfort and blessing."*

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### Church Office

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### Pastors' Study

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**Prayer Concerns and Celebrations:** Please continue to keep all those who are confined to nursing homes and all those who have ongoing physical problems in your thoughts and prayers, including: *Kevin Fardink, Lucas Gibbons, Mary Jane Griffith, Carol Hunink, Skylar MacDonald, John and Carol Neckers, Rose Neckers, Karen Nyweide, Mary Schruers, Paul and Josie TenHuisen, Rake TeWinkle, Kathy Whalen, Bill Wiggers, and Ken Wiggers.*

Also continue to keep each of the older members of our congregation in your prayers.

Pray again this week for our congregation and our community as a whole. Remember *our Pastors, the Consistory, our Sunday School, the Teens On Fire Youth Group, Awana, REACH Ministry, MOPS, and Wee Care Preschool.*

Continue to pray again this week for our country, for our President, as well as our national, state and local leaders.

Continue to pray faithfully for the safety of our armed forces in and returning home from various combat zones and for the cause of peace in our world.

Remember again this week to pray for each of our missionaries and mission projects, especially remembering *Richard and Donna Swart*, in Omo, Ethiopia, as we ask that God will continue to bless their efforts as they reach out to others in Jesus' name.

**AWANA:** The 2013-2014 AWANA year will be starting Oct. 2. We're very excited about a new year full of fun games, scripture memory, guest speakers, special events and lessons from God's word! New this year, registration forms are available electrically on the Abbe Church website. Forms are also available on the back table in the church sanctuary and once completed can be returned to the basket on the same table. Any questions call Louann Heslink, 355-2510 or Janae Ryan, 355-1012.

**HELP NEEDED:** Awana will be having a Fall Carnival Night during club on October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:15-7:30. We are in need of individuals or groups that would like to set up and run a game booth. Those interested, please see, call (355-2510) or email Louann [sheslink@stny.rr.com](mailto:sheslink@stny.rr.com)

#### **Message from Rose Palmer:**

Thank you for the prayer quilt, it is very beautiful and so appreciated and comforting to know so many are praying for me.

**Rally Day** – Join us during the Sunday School hour to kick off the New Sunday School Year “We are growing in God’s Word”. New classes begin September 15<sup>th</sup>. If you are not currently attending or just looking for a change...

Men’s Class - Prayer Meeting Room, Women’s Class - Preschool area, Friendly Corners - Sanctuary, Core Class - Fellowship Hall. 9-12 grades meet in basement, 1-8 grades - Upper rooms, separate classes; 2 year olds - Kindergarten – Little Lambs. We are looking forward to an exciting new year.

**TEENS ON FIRE KICK OFF** "Road Rally" @ Abbe Church, Sept. 8, 3-730pm.....  
Road Rally Scavenger Hunt, Games, Food and Fellowship.....  
Come find out what awaits YOU down the road for the year!!!!

We will have a **church lunch and short congregational meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup>** following Sunday School. Please put this on your calendar and be sure to attend!

**New Bible Study:** Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at Abbe from 7:00 to 8:00pm. This will be a great time to get into God’s Word. The first week we will be studying from the following scriptures: Acts 18-20 and Ephesians 1. So read up and study up. See you THEN!! *Evangelism Committee*

**Dwelling in the Word** Pastors Kristen & Noah are excited to announce Dwelling in the Word on Wednesday evenings, from 6:30-7:30pm. We will gather around the Word and prayer. This group won't require any homework, and will be informal while also being intentional. We will begin on September 18. All are welcome--members of Abbe, or parents who bring their children to Awana!

The next **Prayers & Squares Work Day** will be Saturday, September 21st, in the Abbe Fellowship Hall, 9 am - 3 pm. A baked potato bar will be available for lunch; feel free to bring a snack or a dessert if you wish. Please let Carrie Champoe or Gail Borst know if you plan on helping, so we know how many stations (and potatoes) we need! Remember, you don't have to know how to sew to be of service to this ministry. We have a job for everyone!

**Notice:** The Clymer Area Food Bank is in need of a place to relocate while the Clymer United Methodist Church undergoes renovations. If you have a suitable location or know of one, please talk to Hiram Beckerink @ 355.2278 as soon as possible.

**Holy Hands Women’s Retreat, September 20-21** at Camp Findley - Registration deadline is September 12<sup>th</sup>. More information on bulletin board.

**Today:**

10:15 AM - Morning Worship  
11:30 AM - Rally Day for Sunday School  
3:00-7:30 PM - Teens On Fire Kick Off

**This Week:**

Tuesday - 8:00 PM - Consistory Meeting  
Wednesday - 7:30 PM - Bell Choir Practice  
8:00-9:30 PM - Choir Practice  
Thursday - 1:30 PM - Ladies Ecumenical Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

**SERVING THE LORD AND US THIS WEEK**

Acolytes Justin Massing and Michael Shampoe  
Ushers Tracy and Laurie TeWinkle  
Greeters Willis Koren and Doris Holthouse  
Greeting Elder Scott Bensink  
Nursery Sandy and Tina Koerselman  
Cameraperson Breanna Summers  
Pianist Eric Legters

**SERVING THE LORD AND US NEXT WEEK**

Acolytes Alex Dunnewold and Brant Willink  
Ushers Steve Holthouse and Larry McCray  
Greeters Mark and Cheryl Honey  
Greeting Elder Norvel Willink  
Nursery John and Jodi Massing  
Cameraperson Larry McCray  
Pianist Eric Legters

**Shut in of the Week:** Joan TenHaken at Colonial Terrace

**Missionaries of the Week:** Richard and Donna Swart, in Omo, Ethiopia

**The Abbe Reformed Church Service** is located on channel #96.1 If you have a digital set, you need to reprogram your channels. You also can use a digital box. If you need help, call *Randy Shampoe* at 355-2529.

**Clymer Historical Society Meeting**

The Clymer Historical Society will hold their annual meeting & pie social on Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm at Het HaverKamp Huis. Alice O'Grady will be our guest as Eleanor Roosevelt.

**Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Suggestion.....**

Since back to school sales are going on, now is a great time to stock up on school supplies that you might want to include in your Operation Christmas Child boxes. Items like markers, crayons, colored pencils, sharpeners, notebooks, etc are all great ideas to include in your box. Teens On Fire will be collecting boxes November 1st - 15th this year.

**Deacons report for September 1, 2013**

General Fund \$ 2,633.00  
Benevolent 1,027.00  
Major Projects 145.00  
Organ Fund 50.00

Total Offering \$ 3,855.00

Attendance 186  
Sunday School 68

Needed per Sunday to meet our Budget in 2013 is \$3,123.00 in the General Fund and \$923.00 in the Benevolent Fund. Needed to date in General is \$109,305.00 and \$32,305.00 in Benevolent.

Received for 35 Sundays is \$93,048.68 in the General Fund and \$30,343.00 in the Benevolent Fund.

**REACHing for Health 5K walk/run and Youth Dash** – *Date & Time:* September 14, 2013 at 9:00am and Youth Dash at 10:15am.

*Course:* Scenic Town of Clymer starting at Abbe Reformed Church.

*Entry Fee:* Day of Event fee \$15.00.

Youth Dash fee \$7.00 (ages 4-12)

*Event Day Sign-in and Registration:* 8:00am – 8:45am at Abbe Reformed Church

5K is a non-competitive event. Pre-registered participants will receive a t-shirt.

Forms are available to print online at [abbereformedchurch.org](http://abbereformedchurch.org) and also Abbe and Clymer Hill Reformed churches. All proceeds to benefit Prayers for Squares Quilt Ministry.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Cindy Willink 355-4430 or Willowe Neckers 355-6345.

***As The Deer***

As the deer panteth for the water,  
So my soul longeth after Thee.  
You alone are my heart's desire,  
And I long to worship Thee.

*You alone are my strength, my shield;  
To you alone, may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire,  
And I long to worship you.*

You're my friend and You are my brother,  
Even tho You are a King.  
I love you more than any other,  
So much more than anything.

*You alone are my strength, my shield;  
To you alone, may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire,  
And I long to worship you.*

I want You more than gold or silver,  
Only You can satisfy.  
You alone are the real joy giver,  
And the apple of my eye.

*You alone are my strength, my shield;  
To you alone, may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire,  
And I long to worship you.*

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***In My Life Lord, Be Glorified***

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified,  
In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

In my song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified,  
In my song, Lord, be glorified today

In Your Church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified,  
In Your Church, Lord, be glorified today.

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