

Abbe Reformed Church

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
January 31, 2016 – 10:15 AM

GATHERING IN WORSHIP

*Gathering Hymn *Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken* #278

*Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God,
we confess that we do not expect and long for
the transforming power of your love
to work miracles in these hard hearts of ours.
Yet we secretly long for a rescue, an escape, a miracle,
to relieve us of the responsibilities and the challenges you set before us.**

**Healing Spirit, renew our confidence in your power
and in the power of love to change our lives,
and give us courage to be the fully responsible persons
Christ calls us to be. Amen.**

*Assurance of Pardon

*Song of New Obedience *Here I Am to Worship*

*Sharing in the Peace of Christ

Children's Time

Song of Preparation *Lord, You Are More Precious Than Silver* see insert

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading 2 Kings 5:1-14 see insert

Message *The Healing of Naaman* Pastor Kristen

OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE

Offering
Offertory *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* Choir
*Doxology

Greeting and Announcements
Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Sending Song *Beautiful One*

*Benediction

Pastors Kristen & Noah Livingston
Jennifer Schruers, Music Director

**Congregation please stand as able*

2016 Consistory

Elders

Lucinda Legters - Vice President (2016)
Eleanor Aikens - Clerk (2017)
Mark Summers - Assistant Clerk (2017)
Laurie Holthouse (2018)
Harvey Oonk (2016)
Trudy Williams (2018)

Deacons

(2016) Head Deacon - Jason Stapels
(2016) Benevolent Treasurer - Philip Beckerink
(2017) Scott Neckers
(2018) Esther Nickerson
(2017) Laurie TeWinkle
(2018) Amanda 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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Prayer Concerns and Celebrations: 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: *Linda Bensink, Paul Covey, Dave and Kathy Crowell, Cindy Gabriel, Thelma Heil, Sandy Koerselman, Tara Koerselman, Maxine Legters, Matthew Miller, Mary Schruers, Lois Schutt, Josie TenHuisen, Wilbur and Jo VanEarden, Jeanne Wassink, Doug Whitmore and Judy Willink.*

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 all the unrest around the country and the world, 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 *Dick and Carolyn Otterness* in Hungary, as we ask that God will continue to bless their efforts as they reach out to others in Jesus' name.

The REACH Team will be meeting on Tuesday, February 2nd @ 7:00pm in the Abbe fellowship hall.

Membership Class

Pastors Kristen and Noah are beginning a new members class in the coming weeks. These classes are for youth or adults who are eager to respond to God's call to follow Jesus in the context of partnering more closely with the life and ministry of Abbe Church. The classes' schedule and meeting times will be decided once the class list is gathered. If you have any questions, please see either of the pastors!

American Heart Association Heartsaver CPR/AED course

Saturday, February 27th from 9:00am-12:00pm in the Abbe Reformed Church fellowship hall.

Cost is \$15 for the class; a student workbook is available for an additional \$12.

Class size is limited, so please sign up early. Deadline for signing up is February 21st.

To sign up and/or for questions, please call: Dennis and Janet Heslink @ 355-4465.

Clymer Area Christian Veterans Fund posted a "thank you" letter on the bulletin board. Please take time to read this inspiration.

2016 REACH Ministry Volunteer Sign-ups - Please pray and consider how you could volunteer your time, energy and gifts in the coming year.

Join us in praying for 2016:

- **May God continue to be at the center of REACH; led by the Holy Spirit.**
- **That He would be glorified in every area of this ministry.**
- **For God to raise up, equip and 'fuel' volunteers to carry out the multiple outreach areas.**
- **That we would continue to be the hands and feet of Jesus, open to the Spirit's leading and allow God to work through us.**

For continued unity and growth within the community.

REACH Pocket Prayer Cloth Ministry

We are looking for volunteers to help us begin a new ministry creating pocket prayer cloths. Pocket prayer cloths can be knitted or crocheted, with prayers in every stitch. You can use any yarn, any pattern, and any prayers to make one. Prayer cloths are small (3" or 4"), easy to travel with, and for those who cannot make big projects, prayer cloths are a wonderful smaller project with a lot of meaning and prayers.

Prayer cloths are small enough to be tucked into pockets, purses, backpacks, etc. allowing them to be carried wherever you go. Unlike prayer shawls or prayer quilts, you do not have to 'request' one or receive 'permission'. We all need a little bit of comfort sometimes, but we aren't always comfortable asking for it. These small but powerful reminders of God's love will allow anyone in need of prayer to quietly take one for them self or to give one to someone in need of extra prayer.

To join this ministry, for questions, or if you need some yarn and/or a pattern to get started, please contact: Laurie Holthouse @ [\(716\) 782-3251](tel:7167823251) or Tammy Tenpas @ 355-6586. You may also search the internet for 'pocket prayer cloth' patterns.

Once this ministry is up and running, there will be a basket of prayer cloths available at Abbe, Clymer Hill and Compass.

YMCA Clymer Chair Fit to be held Wednesdays at the Dutch Village. Aerobics will be at 9:30-10:30 and Yoga from 10:30-11:30. Modifications can be made! Cost is \$5/class or free with membership! Will accept a variety of insurances. If you have questions, call (814) 664-7757.

Today:

10:15 AM - Morning Worship
11:30 AM - Sunday School
7:00 PM - Bible Study

This Week:

Tuesday - 7:00 PM - REACH Team Meeting
Wednesday - 6:15 PM - AWANA
7:30 PM - Bell Choir Practice
8:30 PM - Choir Practice
Thursday - 1:30 PM - Ecumenical Women's Bible Study at Abbe

SERVING THE LORD AND US THIS WEEK

Acolytes Karlen Honey and Holly Neckers
Ushers Tracy and Laurie TeWinkle
Greeters Massing Family
Greeting Elder Harvey Oonk
Nursery Anndrea and Lauren Dunnewold
Cameraperson Larry McCray
Sound Volunteer Jason Stapels

SERVING THE LORD AND US NEXT WEEK

Acolytes Trent Shampoe and Porter Willink
Ushers Steve Holthouse and Larry McCray
Greeters Jason and Amanda Stapels
Greeting Elder Laurie Holthouse
Nursery Bryan and Esther Nickerson
Cameraperson Josh Summers
Sound Volunteer Willowe Neckers

Shut in of the Week: Carol Neckers at Corry Manor

Missionaries of the Week: Dick and Carolyn Otterness in Hungary

Deacons report for January 24, 2016

General Fund \$ 2,730.00
Benevolent 1,000.00
Major Projects 310.00

Total Offering \$ 4,040.00

Attendance 125
Sunday School 78

Needed per Sunday to meet our Budget in 2016 is \$3,306.00 in the General Fund and \$922.00 in the Benevolent Fund. Needed to date in General is \$13,224.00 and \$3,688.00 in Benevolent.

Received for 4 Sundays is \$11,863.00 in the General Fund and \$3,759.00 in the Benevolent Fund.

The Clymer-French Creek Free Library is having Story Hour for 3-7 year olds every Saturday in February at 11:00-12:00. Please register before January 30 by contacting the library at 355-8823.

Pastors Drop-in Office Hours

Pastors Kristen & Noah have office hours each week in their church study Tuesday 1-3:00 and Friday 10-11:30. Of course, you're always welcome to schedule a time to meet with us as well!

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