

Abbe Reformed Church

Ascension of the Lord
May 8, 2016 – 10:15 AM

GATHERING IN WORSHIP

*Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn

Revive Us Again

#295

*Prayer of Confession

Almighty God,

you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all.

But we have not always welcomed his rule in our lives.

It's so much easier to trust our own instinct.

It's so much easier to go along with the crowd.

Forgive us and deepen our trust in you,

that we may be your faithful people,

obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.

*Words of Assurance

*Sharing in the Peace of Christ

Children's Chat

Song of Preparation

In His Time

#465

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

see insert

Message

The Perfect Human

Pastor Noah

OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE

Staying What We Believe

The Apostle's Creed

Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

We Remember You

Choir

#625

Greeting and Announcements

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Sending Song

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

*Benediction

Pastors Noah & Kristen 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: *Eleanor Aikens, Paula Anthony, The Barlett Family, The Boozel Family, Paul Covey, Dave and Kathy Crowell, Cindy Gabriel, Thelma Heil, Sandy Koerselman, Maxine Legters, The Lombardozi Family, Gilbert Munger, Bryan Nickerson, Jr., Billy Rick, Mary Schruers, Lois Schutt, Josie TenHuisen, Delores VanderSchaaff, Wilbur and Jo VanEarden, Ann Veal, Bill Wiggers and Sara Yoder.*

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.* Also remember to pray for *our local public schools.*

Continue to pray again this week for our country, for all the unrest around the country and the world, for our President, for the upcoming election process, 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.

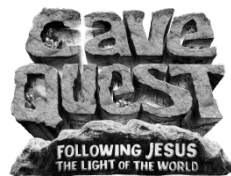
To the churches that made a big difference in my life when I was having such a hard time. I know God is in charge of everything and having people that I don't even know by name, I realize you are my sisters in Christ!

I have been getting better, but I have to go back to the radiologist to see for sure if all the cancer cells are gone. I also have a low platelet count, so I have to go quite often and get that checked, plus other things, but I won't go into details. Just keep me on your 'prayer list' and I'll be very grateful.

In Christ's love,
Ann Veal

Teens On Fire Upcoming Dates:

May 21st at Abbe Reformed Church - 6-8pm



Jesus always shines
through the darkness!

Ready to climb deep down into a dark cavern and help children explore the Light of the World? Cave Quest is now accepting all cave guides. A sign-up sheet for Cave Quest VBS is located at each church in its respective location. The Cavern is filling up fast, so please sign up early for "prime spelunking gear". *Please be sure to mark your T-shirt size as you sign-up.*

Please note that if you sign-up for a highlighted station, there is a team meeting on May 18 @ 6:30 in the Abbe Fellowship Hall. The Cavern is open July 10-14, 6-8:30 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Willowe Neckers 355-6345, Louann Heslink 355-2510, Connie Rice 397-3488, Amy Woods 355-1008, or Megan Heslink 450-0904.

Come Join Us for Groat Klompen Dancing

At the Tulip Festival on May 21

5th grade up through adults!

Practices will be at the Abbe Reformed church on

Monday, May 9th, 7 – 8 pm

Saturday, May 14th, 9:30 – 10:30am

Monday, May 16th, 7 – 8pm (come with your wooden shoes and hat to this practice)

Come to one or all of the practices. Come by yourself or with a group.

There will be a prize for the class with the most participants!

Call with questions: Mindy White 355-4299

Are you springing into action and cleaning out your house, garage, shed, storage areas? Don't know what to do with all of your "treasures"? Donate them to the R.E.A.C.H. Ministry Yard sale that will be held on June 4th at the Abbe Reformed Church. This is the Annual Clymer Yard Sale Day! Your items can be brought to the Abbe Fellowship Hall on Friday, June 3rd. If you have any questions as to what you can bring or need help getting the items there and/or unloaded, please contact Esther Nickerson at 716-355-4131. If anyone would like to volunteer to help set up, work the day of the sale and then help clean up please let Esther know. Any and all help will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you and God Bless,
Esther Nickerson

LifeCare Pregnancy and Family Resource Center would like to stay in touch with you. If you desire to receive our info on your personal email, please send us your email address. You can forward your email address to us at lifecare2@verizon.net

Today:

- 9:30 AM - Prayer Time
- 10:15 AM - Morning Worship
- 11:30 AM - Sunday School
- 7:00 PM - Bible Study

This Week:

- Tuesday - 7:30 PM - Consistory Meeting
- Wednesday - 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 Jonathan Massing and Brant Willink
- Ushers Mark Summers and Duane Williams
- Greeters Judy Bensink and Dianne Einink
- Greeting Elder Trudy Williams
- Nursery Willowe Neckers and Karen Bensink
- Cameraperson Daniel Gustafson
- Sound Volunteer Jason Stapels

SERVING THE LORD AND US NEXT WEEK

- Acolytes Karlen Honey and Holly Neckers
- Ushers Eric Heil and Esther Nickerson
- Greeters Tim and Brenda Rater
- Greeting Elder Mark Summers
- Nursery Donna Marbach and Esther Nickerson
- Cameraperson Larry McCray
- Sound Volunteer Willowe Neckers

Shut in of the Week: Darwin TenHaken at Corry Manor

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

Deacons report for May 1, 2016

General Fund	\$ 3,530.52
Benevolent	800.00
Major Projects	425.00
 Total Offering	 \$ 4,755.52

Attendance	125
Sunday School	71

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 \$59,508.00 and \$16,596.00 in Benevolent.

Received for 18 Sundays is \$54,605.04 in the General Fund and \$15,649.00 in the Benevolent Fund.

The Clymer-French Creek Free Library will be raffling off a 73 x 91 quilt to benefit the library. Tickets are \$1.00 each and can be purchased at the library or from library board members. The drawing will be during the Variety show of the Clymer Tulip Festival, on Saturday, May 21.

Host Families Needed

United Cultures is looking for families to host a student from Spain age 11-18 similar to your children's ages for the month of July. They are still in need of 10 host families. If you would be willing to open your home to these students for a month, please call Heather Espeso at 814-726-2879.

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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