

Abbe Reformed Church

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost
October 9, 2016 – 10:15 AM

GATHERING IN WORSHIP

*Gathering Hymns *God of the Ages* #568

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God,
in baptism you grafted us into the body of Christ,
promising us forgiveness of sin and newness of life.**

**But we fail to live as forgiven people.
We keep destructive habits and hold grudges.
We allow our past to hold us hostage
and are reluctant to welcome newness.**

**In your loving-kindness
have mercy on us and free us from sin.**

**Remind us of the promises you have made to us in baptism
so that we may live as your people,
claimed in the waters of promise. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Sharing in the Peace of Christ

Children's Chat

Hymn of Preparation *He Giveth More Grace* #415

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading Exodus 14:10-31 see insert

Message *Exodus: God's Reality* Pastor Noah

OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE

Offering
Offertory *I Know You're There* Choir
*Doxology #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 Hymn *To God Be the Glory* #66

*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: *Paul Covey, Dave and Kathy Crowell, Bernard Holmes, The Kaufmann Family, Mary Lou Keith, Maxine Legters, Dorothy Meyerink, A.J. Miles, Mike Rater, Billy Rick, Robbie Shaver, Justin Svetz, The Rake TeWinkle Family, Wilbur and Jo VanEarden and Ann Veal.*

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 for America.

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.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Rake TeWinkle's family at his death on Friday, September 30th. His funeral was held here at Abbe on Wednesday.

Dear REACH Ministry,
Thank you so much for the encouraging note and the subway gift card. College has been a big adjustment, and I'm learning to depend on God in new ways, which is teaching me a lot about who He really is. Also, college food gets a little old after a while, so it will be really nice to eat a meal off campus without having to spend money! Thanks again for the mail, and for the love and encouragement.
Love,
Libby

The **Sunday School** year is up and rolling! We are seeking volunteers to help the teachers as substitutes or helpers throughout the year. Each classroom has its own set of curriculum, and so stepping into the lesson plans will be much easier for those who fill in. This is a great way to engage with our children (ages 2 - high school!). Whether you are interested in a certain age group or comfortable with any, please sign up!!

The Thursday Bible Study Group is starting a new book called "A Life God Rewards" by Bruce Wilkinson. We welcome new ones to join us. 1:30pm at Abbe.

Teens on Fire - Saturday, October 22: Youth Night at Abbe from 6 – 8 pm

College Care Packages: It's that time of year again! The REACH Ministry is excited to continue partnering with several area churches (Abbe Reformed Church, Clymer Hill Reformed Church, Clymer United Methodist Church, Compass, Cutting Community Church, Edward's Chapel United Methodist Church, Findley Lake United Methodist, North Clymer United Methodist and St. Matthias/St. Isaac Jogues) to bless our college students with care packages filled with love and prayers this fall. We'd love to have you participate in this outreach by donating items to put in the boxes. Collection boxes will be available at each of the churches listed above. Donations will be accepted through *Sunday, October 16th*. Suggestions of donations include: individually packaged snacks such as: granola bars, cliff bars, fruit snacks/bars, popcorn packets, cheese and cracker packets, gum, hard candy, candy bars, individual drink mixes, highlighters, pens, post-it notes, index cards, etc. If you prefer, you may donate money to cover the cost of postage/supplies.

REACH is offering a class in Tai Chi for Arthritis (but is open to anyone) for 8 weeks which started October 3rd. Classes will be held Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30 at Abbe. Tai Chi, a Chinese form of exercise, is easy to learn and its slow, smooth movements are helpful in improving balance and flexibility. If you would like to be a participant or have questions, please get in touch with Janet Heslink at 355-4465.

We are searching for empty **milk jugs** to make luminaries for the trunk or treat event, if you could help us out by rinsing and saving your empty milk jugs, there will be a tub in the fellowship hall under the coat rack. The tub will be available for collection from Sept 18th until Oct. 23rd. Thank you so much for your help, many hands make light work.

TRUNK or TREAT

On Saturday, October 29th from 5:00-7:30pm, the second annual TRUNK or TREAT event will be held in the Abbe Reformed Church parking lot. NOTE: This is the Saturday *before* Halloween and is the official town of Clymer trick or treating date this year!! This event is sponsored by the REACH Ministry and Teens on Fire Youth Group. It's a free community event that provides a fun and safe way for kids to collect treats in one friendly location by trick or treating from car to car around the parking lot. Hot drinks, snacks & goodie bags will be provided, in addition to the "trunk treats"!

VOLUNTEERS: If you are willing to host a trunk (or donate treats for others to hand out), please call or text Leanna Willink (716.499.4163) or Amanda Stapels (716.969.2595). Hosting a trunk consists of bringing your regular size vehicle (decorated if you are up for the fun challenge!) and providing treats to our community kids from your trunk. To offer a safe environment, we ask that you do not use scary decorations or hand out homemade treats. Please plan for 250-300 kids based on last year's turnout. In an effort to utilize the parking lot space accordingly, be sure to RSVP in advance if you are participating! :) Volunteers will need to arrive at the Abbe parking lot by 4:00pm. Please use the front entrance where you will be directed to park.

Today:

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

This Week:

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	Trent Shampoe and Jonathan Massing
Ushers	Phil Beckerink and Mark Honey
Greeters	Willis Koren and Doris Holthouse
Greeting Elder	Laurie Holthouse
Nursery	Renee' TeCulver and Laurie TeWinkle
Cameraperson	Daniel Gustafson
Sound Volunteer	Jason Stapels

SERVING THE LORD AND US NEXT WEEK

Acolytes	Natalie White and Callie Willink
Ushers	Tracy and Laurie TeWinkle
Greeters	Marlea Brown and Lois King
Greeting Elder	Trudy Williams
Nursery	Esther Nickerson
Cameraperson	Larry McCray
Sound Volunteer	Sonya Shampoe

Shut in of the Week: Darwin TenHaken at Corry Manor

Missionaries of the Week: Dick and Carolyn Otterness in Hungary

Do you have a passion for Christian education and children? Do you feel God calling you to serve in a new way this year?

If so, the Wee Care Christian Preschool Board would like you to consider joining us! We are looking for an Abbe member to fill the position vacant on the Preschool Board. Please see Laurie Holthouse for additional information or any questions. Thank you for praying about this opportunity and allowing the preschool to continue on the road to success!

Deacons report for October 2, 2016

General Fund	\$	2,709.00
Benevolent		830.00
Major Projects		145.00
Memorial		50.00

Total Offering	\$	3,734.00
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Attendance	115
Sunday School	63

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 \$132,240.00 and \$36,880.00 in Benevolent.

Received for 40 Sundays is \$114,845.89 in the General Fund and \$31,755.00 in the Benevolent Fund.

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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