

Worship Celebration
9:30 am ~ March 4, 2018
Interim Pastor Jack Gray

Welcome and Invitation to Worship

"I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord" Gray 169

Call to Worship: **I Peter 3:18**

Prayer

God's Greeting: **John 15:13-15a**

"God Himself is With Us" Gray 244

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory" Green 328

"Beautiful Savior" Gray 461

God's Law for the Third Sunday in Lent

Prayer

Offering: **General Fund**

Little Lambs Prayer – children ages 3-5 dismissed

Congregational Prayer

Scripture Reading: **Mark 14:53-65; 15:1-15**

Text: **Mark 14:63; 15:11**

Message: **"Barabbas and Caiaphas"**

Prayer of Application

"What Wondrous Love" Gray 379

God's Blessing: **Hebrews 13:20,21**

"Christ, the Life of All the Living" Gray 371

GOOD MORNING! We hope that you will find the time we spend together with God in worship to be a source of hope, inspiration, and encouragement. To help you receive the most out of worship this morning, there are large print orders of worship and hearing devices available for you. We also provide a nursery for your little ones, and we have children's bulletins.

We invite you to fill out a **"Communication Card"** that is in the book rack in front of you. You may use it to make a prayer request or just to let us know that you were our guest today. Please place them in the offering bag as it passes.

CD's of the messages are available. **To request, please fill out the yellow card** on the table in the foyer or fellowship hall and drop it in the "secretary" mailbox by our nursery.

Please stay for coffee, cookies, and refreshments which will be served in the social hall after the service.

Today we reflect on two men who squandered their time with Jesus: Caiaphas, the High Priest, and Barabbas whose place Christ took on the cross. Pray we each use wisely our time with Jesus.

Lenten message next week is "Pilate and Procula" — two people God providentially provided for our salvation. We see God at work in the intricate details of life. Pray it helps us see God in the details of our own lives.

Service Project: Calling all ladies! It is time for another **craft night at the Changing Lives Center on Friday, March 9th from 7:00pm - 8:00pm.** No skills are required! Just plan on coming out to talk to and listen to the ladies while they do a fun and simple craft. There is a sign-up in the fellowship hall. Please sign up **TODAY.** Contact **Nicole** if you have any questions.

Prayer Partnership

Our **pastoral search ad** recently posted on the jobs listings of the CRC website and an ad will print in The Banner in April.

We trust God will lead us to pastors who wish to be interviewed. Ask God to give the Search Committee and Council discernment to identify the pastor the Holy Spirit desires to lead our church family in the years ahead

The **Little Lambs and Sunday School children** will be singing in church on **Palm Sunday, March 25.** Please have your children come to the K-1 Sunday School room today for a quick time of singing. Thank you!

The Dordt College Concert Choir from Sioux Center, Iowa, invites you to a concert at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 11, at Phoenix Christian Reformed Church.

The concert is part of a spring music tour with performances in Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, California, and Iowa. Directed by **Mr. Ryan Smit**, the ensembles will perform a wide variety of choral music, including hymn arrangements, gospel, recently composed works, part songs from the Renaissance and Romantic eras, and Hispanic music from Spain and the Southwestern United States. The concert is free, with a freewill offering to help defray tour expenses.

Save the Date: The Valley Male Chorus of Rock Valley, Iowa, consisting of 39 men's voices, will be presenting a sacred music concert here on **Saturday, March 24 at 6:30 pm.**

Church Schedule for 3/04 - 3/10

SUNDAY	8:45 am	Prayer in Council Room
	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Sunday School
MONDAY	6:00 pm	Operation
	6:00 pm	Worship & Arts
TUESDAY	10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study
	6:15 pm	T.E.W.G. Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	6:00 pm	Cadets
	6:30 pm	GEMS / Men's Bible Study
		Prayer Group
FRIDAY	7:00 pm	Women's Craft Night at Changing Life Center

This Week's Birthdays

Leila the 5th & Lynola the 6th

Next Week's Offering: Crossroads Bible Ministry
March "Care Box": Crossroads Bible Ministry

Volunteer Schedule

Hosts – Jeanette & Coleen

Library Today – Florence *Next Week* – Beth

Nursery – Rebekah, Barb, Jill, Cabot (Andrea M.)

Next Week – Carol, Deb G., Norma, Ellie (Becky)

Little Lambs Teacher – Emily *Helper* – Samantha

Next Week – Emily *Helper* – Nicole

Cookies – Kathleen & Kathy

Next Week – We need someone to sign up please!

Sound & Video – Alan & Phil

Next Week – Paul & Steve

Parking Lot Roamers – Phil S. & Marv

Next Week – Richard & Steven B.

Phoenix Christian Reformed Church

We Call Ourselves...

Christian...

because we belong to Jesus Christ and want to be his followers.

Reformed...

because we're part of the historic branch of the Christian church that follows the teachings of the leaders of the Protestant Reformation, who struggled to return Christianity to its biblical roots.

Church...

because God has called us to be a fellowship of his people in the world.

Our Mission

*"We exist to glorify God
by loving Him and serving our neighbors
as we continue the work Jesus began on earth."*

Our Vision

*"Being changed by God's love,
we move ahead in His grace...
lifting our hands to worship the Lord,
joining our hands to nurture one another
and extending our hands to serve our neighbors
...as we walk together in freedom,
joy and faithfulness."*

You are welcome to contact a council member at any time.

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