

OCTOBER 19, 2025
9:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	<i>Praise the Almighty</i>	
Opening Prayer		
* Call to Worship	Psalm 97:1-6 (p. 584)	
* God's Greeting		
* Song of Praise	<i>Come, All You People, Praise Our God</i>	Gray 242
Call to Confession	Psalm 32:1-7 (p. 543)	
Prayer of Confession		
Assurance of Pardon	Titus 3:3-7 (p. 1159)	
* Song of Response	<i>Before the Throne of God Above</i>	Song Sheet
God's Will for Our Lives	The Law As a Rule of Gratitude (Gray p. 1017)	
Congregational Prayer		
Offering Offertory	Freedom House <i>Jesus Calls Us</i>	
* Song of Preparation	<i>Humble Praises, Holy Jesus</i>	Gray 484
* Scripture	Ruth 1:15-2:23 (p. 257)	
Sermon	Faith, Obedience, and Love	
* Song of Dedication	<i>I Know Whom I Have Believed</i>	Blue 527:1-3
* Benediction	2 Thessalonians 2:16-17, 3:18	
* Doxology	<i>Doxology</i>	Blue 814
* Postlude	<i>All People That on Earth Do Dwell</i>	

* *Please stand, if able*

OCTOBER 19, 2025
5:55 P.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Song Service	<i>I Know Whom I Have Believed</i> <i>More Love to Thee</i> <i>All People That on Earth Do Dwell</i>	Blue 527 Blue 634 Blue 101
Opening Prayer		
* Call to Worship	Psalm 145:13b-21 (p. 613)	
* God's Greeting		
* Song of Praise	<i>Praise the LORD! Sing Hallelujah!</i>	Gray 146
* Confession of Faith	Apostles' Creed (in unison, Gray back cover)	
Evening Prayer		
Offering	Joshua Christian Academy	
* Song of Preparation	<i>He Leadeth Me</i>	Gray 452
* Scripture Heidelberg Catechism	John 3:1-21 (p. 1029) Lord's Day 3 (p. 863)	
Sermon	You Must Be Born Again	
* Song of Dedication	<i>How Great Is the Love of the Father</i>	Gray 231
* Benediction		
* Doxology	<i>Abide with Us, Our Savior</i>	Gray 565
* Postlude		

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Welcome to the Peoria Christian Reformed Church. We are glad you have joined us for worship. "May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you. Then the land will yield its harvest, and God, our God, will bless us." Psalm 67:5-6 (NIV)

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
Greeters	Daryl & Le Ann Bouwkamp Mary Roose & Nancy Terpstra	Bob & Deb Bruxvoort Frank & Carm Reitsma
Missionary Correspondents	Gifford - Michele De Boer; Ippel - Jim De Bruin; Mark & JinHee - Norman De Jong; Vander Wal - Melody De Jong	
Morning Prayer Team	Tim Franje Glen Fynaardt	Kathy Franje Sandy Vander Hart
Nursery Attendants	a.m. Ruth De Bruin, Marleigh De Boer p.m. Amber Fynaardt, Beau Van Wyngarden	a.m. Michele De Boer, Taylor Klyn p.m. Davona Fynaardt, Eleanor Fynaardt
Offering	a.m. Freedom House p.m. Joshua Christian Academy	a.m. Missionary Support p.m. Unity Christian School (Clinton, IA)

TODAY

Please join us as we **fellowship** over a cup of coffee or lemonade after the morning worship service.

Church School classes will meet after the morning service and dismiss at 11:30. Preschool and adult classes meet in the church basement; classes for grades K-8 meet in the school; high school class meets in the youth building. Visitors are welcome! Offering: Christian school tuition for children of Tesoros de Dios director (Andrew & Ruth Ippel, Nicaragua)

Home Builders will meet in the basement at 7:30 p.m. (Galatians 1:1-9)

CALENDAR

Monday 7:00 p.m. Elders' Meeting
Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Cadets Game Night
7:00 p.m. GOLD
7:00 p.m. Youth Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Home Builders invite everyone – single, married, younger, older – to join us for a new season of Bible study using Ligonier material on Galatians. We meet after the evening service on the first and third Sundays of the month and are beginning TODAY! We enjoy growing in faith, shared fellowship, and great food! Questions? Contact Tim or Kathy Franje.

Pastor David will be enjoying a time of vacation this week. Please contact an elder with any **pastoral needs**.

Pastor Ralph Pontier will lead our worship services next Sunday, October 26.

Our offering next Sunday evening is for **Unity Christian School** in Fulton, Illinois. Unity Christian School has roots in the Christian Reformed Church, and their mission is to teach students the Truth from a Christ-centered perspective for lives of discipleship. They are in the process of moving across the Mississippi River to Clinton, Iowa, to better serve the larger community of Clinton, as well as to give their families access to the Student First Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) in Iowa. Their new facility will be completed by the end of this year, but they still have some funds to raise to accomplish their goal of having the facility paid for in full by the end of the year.

Classis Central Plains recommended that churches in our classis receive offerings for Unity Christian School to help cover the expenses of their new facility. For more information, visit Unity Christian School's website (www.unitychristian.com).

The **choir** will practice after the evening service next week, October 26, to prepare for our Reformation Worship Service on November 2. All singers, please join us!

Peoria CRC is hosting a combined **Reformation Worship Service** with the Cedar, Ebenezer, Leighton, Peoria, and Tracy congregations at our 5:00 p.m. worship on November 2. Plan to join us as we worship and fellowship together with brothers and sisters in Christ.

SCHOOL NOTES

Sully Christian School is again selling delicious, hand-rolled **Dutch Letters**. Each 12" stick is stuffed with yummy almond filling and comes frozen and ready to bake at your convenience. A box of six Dutch Letters is \$30. Please place your order by using our online order form (<https://sullychristian.org/scs-dutch-letters/>) or by contacting Sandi De Vries (641-780-4049; scsdutchletters@gmail.com). Pick-up date is Friday, November 7, 12:00-8:00 p.m. at Sully Christian School or 4:00-6:00 p.m. at Grace Fellowship Church in Pella. Thank you!

Join us on Friday, November 14, for the **Peoria Christian School Wild West Bazaar!** Doors will open at 3:00 p.m. for the Bake Sale, Coffeetime, and Browse-N-Buy. A roast beef supper will be served from 5:00-6:30 p.m., and the live auction will begin at 7:00 p.m. (childcare available). *"Behold, I am doing something new; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert."* Isaiah 43:19

We need your delicious baked goods and confections for the annual **Peoria Christian School Bazaar & Bake Sale** on November 14! Cookies, bars, pies, bread, rolls, cupcakes, fudge, Christmas cookies and candy, jelly, jam, home canned fruit, vegetables, salsa, gluten free and/or dairy free items, etc., are all welcome. Your items must be in the gym by noon on November 14. Please label your items. Styrofoam trays, bags, and labels will be available at school and in the Peoria CRC basement a few weeks before the bazaar. Questions? Please contact Clarice Meinders (641-780-0126; glennmeinders@iowatelecom.net).

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are invited to join **Des Moines Crossroads CRC** in celebrating their **75th anniversary** on Sunday, November 2, with a worship service at 9:30 a.m., followed by a catered lunch. Please RSVP rogvos@gmail.com TODAY if you plan to attend.

YOUR GIFT OF GRAIN HELPS US GROW! The Board of Directors at **818 Forward With Faith** ask that you prayerfully consider donating grain to raise funds as we start the fundraising project to build our 3rd FWF home! Your contribution, big or small, will help us provide a beautiful home where our residents will feel valued and are able to thrive. We have accounts at the following coops: DFS, Key Coop, Heartland Coop, Pella Feed, and Two Rivers Coop. In-kind gifts are always a blessing, and during harvest 2025 they will help us take the next step in building our third home. To learn more about our mission at 818 Forward With Faith, visit www.forwardwithfaith.org. Please contact Curt Hooyer (641-780-2249) with any questions.

The **Oskaloosa First CRC Ignite Youth Group** invites you to their annual **Dad's Belgian Waffle Supper Fundraiser** (freewill donation). Join us on Wednesday, November 5, 5:00-7:00 p.m., for delicious all-you-can-eat waffles, sausages, and beverages. Gluten-free options are available upon request. Carry out is also available. Proceeds will go toward the 2025 Summer Mission trip. We appreciate your support!

You are invited to a **Hymn Festival** presented by Dordt University music students, "Great One in Three, Eternal Praises Be: A Celebration of the Trinity" on Saturday, November 8, 7:00 p.m., at Peoria CRC. The Hymn festival will include brass, organ, a vocal octet, cello, percussion, and piano. Come and sing timeless hymns of our faith!

Full-time ministry is an extraordinary calling and great privilege and critical for the purposes of God in this world. The gospel is the power of God unto salvation. But “how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent?” If you have ever wondered if God is calling you to serve Him vocationally, whether as a pastor, missionary, chaplain, or something else; if you have questions about what ministry is like; if you wonder if it is worth it; if you don’t know the next steps or process – please join us at Dordt University on November 22 from 10:00-3:00 for ‘**CALLED**’. Stephen Terpstra, John Klompier, and John Lee, along with missions and candidacy experts, will encourage you, talk with you, answer your questions, and explore if God is calling you. The event is free of charge and is for people of all ages, from high school to those nearing retirement, who are exploring full- or part-time ministry. For more information and to register, visit <https://forms.gle/Sg6Zh4Jx6cbPDiE9A> or follow the QR code on the poster on the basement bulletin board. Questions? E-mail pastor@firstcrcoc.org.

Resonate Global Mission is providing an opportunity for you to join an online conversation with Resonate leaders and missionaries worldwide! Join us for an hour of **Ministry Amplified** on Wednesday, November 12, beginning at 11:00 a.m. (CST). Register at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdcpTbWiP3_ClkeTsge8owddKf03P5ofZzDojqGgWPiZtWXFQ/viwwform?pli=1