

Manhattan

CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

7950 **CHURCHILL** RD

Welcome

AUGUST 16, 2020

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

1 Peter 2:9



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AUGUST 16, 2020

AM WORSHIP

10:00 AM

A Time of Worship Preparation

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Words of Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship

*God Greets His People

*We Greet One Another

WE GIVE GOD OUR PRAISE

**Our God*

* *How Great Is Our God*

**How Great Thou Art*

WE OFFER PRAYERS AND GIFTS

Morning Prayer

Offering - General Fund

Special Missions

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

Children's Message -

**Goodness of God* - Special Number

Text: Various Selected

Message: **I Am Accepted**

Prayer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**Who You Say I Am*

WE CONCLUDE IN PRAISE

*God Blesses His People

**Blessed Assurance* - CH #572:1-3

Postlude

**please stand if you are able*

Tim Kuperus

preaching

PM WORSHIP

6:00 PM

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**All People That On Earth Do Dwell*

- LUYH #1:1-4

**The Heavens Declare Your Glory*

- LUYH #3:1-3

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

Text: Exodus 17:1-7

Message: **Water From The Rock**

Prayer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**A Shelter in the Time of Storm*

- CH #693:1,2,4

WE CONCLUDE IN PRAISE

*God Blesses His People

Evening Prayer

Postlude

**please stand if you are able*

Tim Kuperus

preaching

Beth Straatman

keys

MCRC ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUTDOOR SERVICES

This Sunday, August 16, one morning service at 10:00 a.m. will be held outside in the park (weather permitting) for the entire congregation. Please bring your chairs if you are able. Weather permitting, our evening service will also be held outside.

NOMINEES

The following men have been nominated to serve on our church council:

Elders: Wes Asher, Brian Ayers, Chris Hahn, Ben Leep, Patrick Luther, Keith Moss, Terry Sinnema, Dave Tinklenberg, Tim Van Dam

Deacons: Darren Braaksma, Joe David Braaksma, Kent Heidema, Scott Kamps, Larry Klompfen, Brad Moss, Rod Triemstra, Bill Van Egmond, Dallas Van Gelder, Dylan Van Gelder

Ballots for each professing member over 18 were placed in your mailboxes last week. Please read your ballot carefully. We ask that you vote "yes" or "no" for each person on the ballot as to whether they meet the Biblical qualifications for the office to which they have been nominated. If you do not know a nominee we ask that you do NOT vote either way for that person. **Please return your ballot to the marked boxes by today.** Selection by lot will take place on Sunday, August 23 to select 4 elders and 3 deacons. Our annual Congregational Meeting is planned for September 21 at 7:00 pm.

ELDERS' MEETING

The elders are scheduled to meet on Tuesday, August 18, at 7:00 p.m.

LOVE INC'S PERSONAL CARE CLOSET

We are once again collecting baby items for the Personal Care Closet. Please bring diapers, pull-ups, diaper rash ointment, wipes, wash, lotion, etc. to the church by Sunday, August 30. Thank you!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUND UPDATE

Thank you for your generous giving to the Christian Education Fund! We need to collect approximately \$35,000 by the end of August for last year's (2019-2020) school year. Please prayerfully consider how you may be able to give to the Christian Education Fund. Thank you!

MCRC GIVING

Opportunities to give:

- Give your offerings at the doors.
- Send your weekly or monthly gifts to Manhattan CRC, 7950 Churchill Road, Manhattan, MT 59741.
- Give on-line by going to manhattancrc.org and clicking the "Give Now" tab.
- Hold your gifts in an envelope at home, send in monthly, or bring back to church when you feel comfortable.
- If you have any questions about giving please contact Mike Kamp (406-539-1195), chair of the deacons.

COVID – 19 UPDATE

The Worship Committee has outlined how we can worship together while following the physical distancing practices outlined by the governor. It is important that we do all we can to create a safe atmosphere for worship.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Deb, Jana, or your elder.

- Knowing it will be difficult to remain six feet apart while arriving for worship, we urge you to wear a mask during this time.
- When arranging your chairs for worship, please spread out appropriately, keeping the necessary six foot distance between you and other family groups.
- If we can stay appropriately distanced, mask wearing during the actual worship service will not be necessary.
- After the service concludes, please wear a face covering as you head to your car.

MORNING WORSHIP

- Two identical morning worship services (9:00 and 10:45) will be offered. If we are able to have the service outside, there will be one service at 10:00 a.m.
- Life Groups will be divided between services. Anyone not in a Life Group are invited to the 10:45 service.
- Nursery, Tot Church, and coffee/punch time will not be available.

DESIGNATED PEWS

- For those that worship in church, we will be sitting in designated pews in order to keep an appropriate distance according to guidelines given to us.
- Ushers will be help you find a seat.
Ushers August
10:00 am Mike Kamp, Dallas Van Gelder
Ushers August 23
9:00 am Tim Van Dam, Darrel Flikkema
10:45 am Ben Leep, Mel Dyk

PHYSICAL DISTANCING

- Please keep in mind that physical distancing applies not only during worship, but also before and after.
- Maintain appropriate 6' distance between families or household groups (including children). Please arrive on time to avoid bunching up in the back.
- If space runs out in the sanctuary, the service will be livestreamed in the fellowship hall.
- You are welcome to wear a mask, but it will not be required.

VULNERABLE POPULATION

According to CDC guidelines, vulnerable populations include those over 65 and those with heart disease, diabetes, asthma, etc. Those to whom this applies are encouraged to worship via livestream. Also, those exhibiting any symptoms of illness are asked to worship via livestream.

OTHER DETAILS

- Please bring your own Bible. We will seek to avoid using the books in the pew. If you do need to use them, don't put them back in the holders, but set them on the bench so they can be wiped down.
- The upstairs restrooms will be available for use, one person at a time. The downstairs restrooms will be closed.

INVITATION NOT OBLIGATION

Worshipping in the church is an invitation, not an obligation. If you feel uncomfortable coming to church at this time, please worship via livestream. Only the 9:00 service will be livestreamed. Go to our church website (manhattancrc.org) on your computer, scroll to "News", and under this heading find the live stream. The digital archive will be available shortly after the service concludes.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Manhattan Christian Early Learning Center is looking to hire an after school aide for the 2020-2021 school year. Must be 16 years of age or older to apply. Please email all inquiries to Stacy at sburley@manhattanchristian.org

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Churchill Retirement Home is looking to hire an Independent Resident Assistant. Monday-Saturday 3:30-6:30. This is a temporary, part-time position that can be filled by one individual who can commit to six days or two who are willing to job share. Job duties would consist of laundry, light housekeeping chores, making deliveries, and offering help to or spending time with our Independent Residents. Call the office (282-7233) with questions or to apply.

"FINDING STRENGTH AND SUPPORT IN SCRIPTURE"

This four-part Bible study podcast series and ebook from Groundwork can help you or someone you love draw power from God's Word to grow in your faith when dealing with dementia, anxiety, depression, and chronic illness or pain. Get it when you subscribe to Groundwork at groundworkonline.com/findingstrength.

GROUNDWORK

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NEW SCHOOL

Check out our children's programs at www.kidscorner.net. In this week's episode "New School", a new school means new friends, new teachers, and a new challenge—figuring out how they can serve God in this new place. Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for future episodes. Download Power Tools: Taking a Stand Against Bullying, an eBook to help kids and parents talk about bullying. kidscorner.net/activities

AT-HOME FAITH FORMATION TIP

As the start of the school year draws near, many kids feel fearful and anxious. It's a good time to gently remind them that their identity lies not in their accomplishments, their popularity, or what others think of them. Their identity comes from being beloved children of a loving God. "See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!"—1 John 3:1 (Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

JOIN THE TEAM AT WORLD RENEW!

Compelled by God's deep passion for justice & mercy, we join communities around the world to renew hope, reconcile lives, and restore creation - and we have some opportunities for you to join us in this work! Please visit worldrenew.net/ careers for details about our current career and RFP opportunities: Human Resources Manager - Parental Leave, based in Burlington, ON; Country Director - Nigeria; and an RFP for a Freelance Justice Mobilizing Content Creator, based in the US.

PRAYER REQUESTS

We pray fervently that God arrests this spreading virus. We pray for those infected. We pray for health workers on the front lines of this pandemic. We pray for leaders who must make hard choices on how to respond. We pray for calm.

We trust God our Father who is always in control, even when our life feels tenuous and uncertain.

CHURCH FAMILY

Lisa Vanderby requests prayer for her mom, **Betsy Cole**, who is fighting cancer and is quite weak. She is on another round of chemo; please pray for strength and healing for her.

Continue to pray for those who grieve, especially **Ken and Joyce Blanksma and their extended family**. Please cover the entire family in your prayers, that they may have peace and comfort at this difficult time.

Mark Halle will be having open heart surgery this Tuesday, August 18. Pray for peace and also pray that the surgery will go smoothly.

Continue to pray for **John Kamps** as he deals with cancer treatments and keep **Lidea** in your prayers, as well.

Rob & Julie Hager thank you for your prayers. Please pray for strength, peace and wisdom as Rob's health declines. He is on a new medication for involuntary movements, his dementia is significantly worse, and he has other health issues.

Remember to pray for all our senior church members who are living in various retirement homes: **Jerita Andriesen, Ret Blanksma, Ethel Dykstra, Grace Douma, Harold Lucas and Edith Vander Molen** (in Personal Care at the Churchill Retirement Home), and **Jeanette Visser** (at Gallatin County Rest Home.)

Keep **Pastor Tim and Heidi** in your prayers as they minister with us.

Please pray for our part-time staff: **Deb Flikkema, Jana Van Dam, Kathy Eekhoff, Lisa Heidema, Jim & Bonnie Potts, and Bob Poelman**.

Pray for our **council members**.

EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY & COMMUNITY

Wilma Vanderby's friend, Sheryl Linderman was diagnosed with liver cancer. She is scheduled to move from the Bozeman hospital into the Gallatin County Rest Home under Hospice care. Please pray for her.

Pray for **Eric Danhof**. His pain level has worsened again. Pray that the radiation he receives will be helpful. Give praise for family who came and the many friends who did a drive-by in support for his birthday.

Continue to pray for a good recovery for **Joe David Braaksma's sister, Vicki**, who had a stroke on July 24.

SUPPORTED MISSIONARIES & THE GLOBAL CHURCH

Pray for **Daryl and Carol Van Dyken** as they work in Cyprus with TWR. They are thankful that the TWR transmitters in their area are functioning well. Their prayer requests:

- Praise God for the increase in new applications for missionary service with TWR. Pray for more staff!
- Pray for evaluation of new media outlets in Russia and the Middle East.
- Pray for our co-workers in places like India and Brazil where the Coronavirus is increasing.

Continue to pray for **Mark Eekhoff**. He is working on an outreach to the Shepherds in Lesotho where he lived for two years, so that they may continue to hear the Gospel. Pray for God's blessings on his future plans.

A note from **Dorothea Kirkendall**: "We rejoice, that in this time of isolation, God's Word continues to reach communities that have never been exposed to it before. Thank you for your prayers and gifts supporting this Wycliffe ministry."

Pray for Lauren and Connie Runia and their work with Wycliffe Bible translation.

An update from **Rick and Becky Luth**: They still have received no word from US Immigration regarding the status of Rick's Green Card interview. Pray that this issue can be resolved. Also, please pray for Josh and Jeremy, who will be returning to Canada (Salmon Arm, BC) on their own. They were scheduled to fly out on Thursday night, so please pray that their re-entry into Canada goes smoothly. Josh will start his Firefighting college courses on-line while in quarantine, and Jeremy will return to his former school in September. Darin wanted to remain with mom and dad, so he will start his first few weeks of school on-line.

Keep **Sosthene and Kara Maletougou** in your prayers as they work in West Africa.

Pray for **Jeffery and Melissa Bos** and their family as they minister in Oman.

A prayer request from **Chaplain Randy Jones**: "Pray for the physical, emotional and spiritual wellbeing of our **officers, 1st responders and dispatchers**. Pray for their protection during this pandemic. Pray that I'll know how best to be an encouragement."

DO YOU HAVE AN UPDATE FOR THE PRAYER LIST?

Call the office at 282-7442, your district elder, or John and Eileen Scheffer 388-3032

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY

10:00 AM Outdoor Worship Service
 6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

TUESDAY

7:00 PM Elders' Meeting

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY

10:00 AM Outdoor Worship Service
 6:00 PM Outdoor Worship Service

OUR GIFTS

Giving as of 7/31/2020

Month Year

GENERAL FUND

Goal	\$28,882	\$346,582
Rec'd	<u>\$23,495</u>	<u>\$285,312</u>
Over (Short)	(\$5,387)	(\$61,270)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUND

Goal	\$32,802	\$393,626
Rec'd	<u>\$19,303</u>	<u>\$346,632</u>
Over (Short)	(\$13,499)	(\$46,994)

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

Goal	\$2,000	\$24,000
Rec'd	<u>\$2,170</u>	<u>\$15,217</u>
Over (Short)	\$170	(\$8,783)

OFFERINGS

TODAY

UPCOMING

SPECIAL MISSIONS

This offering goes for the support of all of the missionaries supported by our church both here at home and abroad. If you are not prepared to give your Faith Promise offerings today, you can do so any Sunday by simply putting the offering in an envelope and marking it as "Faith Promise Offering".

- AUG 23 GENERAL FUND
- AUG 23 #2 **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUND**
- AUG 30 GENERAL FUND
- AUG 30 #2 **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUND**

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SONG SHEET FOR AUGUST 16 AM SERVICE

Our God

1 Water You turned into wine
Opened the eyes of the blind
There's no one like You
None like You

2 Into the darkness You shine
Out of the ashes we rise
There's no one like You
None like You

Chorus

*Our God is greater
Our God is stronger
God You are higher than any other
Our God is healer
Awesome in power our God our God*

Bridge

And if our God is for us
Then who could ever stop us
And if our God is with us
Then what could stand against

And if our God is for us
Then who could ever stop us
And if our God is with us
Then what could stand against
(Then) what could stand against

Chorus

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Awesome in power our God our God*

Chris Tomlin | Jesse Reeves | Jonas Myrin | Matt Redman

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How Great Is Our God

1 The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
And trembles at His voice

Chorus

*How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God*

2 And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one
Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

Chorus

*How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God*

Bridge

*Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God*

Chris Tomlin | Ed Cash | Jesse Reeves

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How Great Thou Art

1 O Lord my God
When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds
Thy hands have made
I see the stars
I hear the rolling thunder
Thy pow'r thru'out
The universe displayed

Chorus

*Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art*

3 But when I think
That God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die
I scarce can take it in
That on the cross
My burden gladly bearing
He bled and died
To take away my sin *Chorus*

4 When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home
What joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow
In humble adoration
And there proclaim
My God how great Thou art *Chorus*

Stuart Wesley Keene Hine

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Goodness of God

Written by Jenn Johnson, Jason Ingram, Ben Fielding, Ed Cash, Brian Johnson

Verse 1

I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus

*All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God*

Verse 2

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest nights
You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God
Chorus

Bridge

Your goodness is running after,
it's running after me

Your goodness is running after,
it's running after me

With my life laid down,
I'm surrendered now,
I give You everything

Your goodness is running after,
it's running after me

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Who You Say I Am

Songwriters: Ben Fielding / Reuben Morgan

1 Who am I that the highest King
Would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me Oh His love for
me

Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God Yes I am

2 Free at last, He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me Yes He died for me

In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God Yes I am

Bridge

I am chosen Not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me Not against me
I am who You say I am

I am chosen Not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me Not against me
I am who You say I am
I am who You say I am

In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God Yes I am

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Blessed Assurance

Fanny Crosby

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine;
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His
blood.

Chorus

*This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.*

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my
sight;
Angels descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Chorus

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His
love.

Chorus

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SONG SHEET FOR AUGUST 16 PM SERVICE

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

William Kethe

1 All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the LORD with cheerful voice.
Serve him with joy, his praises tell,
come now before him and rejoice!

2 Know that the LORD is God indeed;
he formed us all without our aid.
We are the flock he comes to feed,
the sheep who by his hand were made.

3 O enter then his gates with joy,
within his courts his praise proclaim!
Let thankful songs
your tongues employ.
O bless and magnify his name!

4 Because the LORD our God is good,
his mercy is forever sure.
His faithfulness at all times stood
and shall from age to age endure.

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The Heavens Declare Your Glory

Thomas R. Burkes

1 The heavens declare your glory,
the firmament your power;
day unto day the story
repeats from hour to hour.
Night unto night replying,
proclaims in every land,
O Lord, with voice undying,
the wonders of your hand.

2 The sun with royal splendor
goes forth to chant your praise,
and moonbeams soft and tender
their gentler anthem raise.
O'er every tribe and nation
the music is outpoured,
the song of all creation
to you, creation's Lord.

3 All heaven on high rejoices
to do its Maker's will;
the stars with solemn voices
resound your praises still.
So let my whole behavior,
each thought, each deed I do,
be, Lord, my strength, my Savior,
a ceaseless song to you.

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A Shelter In the Time of Storm

Vernon J. Charlesworth (ca. 1880)

1 The Lord's our Rock, in Him we hide
A shelter in the time of storm;
Secure whatever ill betide
A shelter in the time of storm.

Refrain:

*O Jesus is a Rock in a weary land,
A weary land, a weary land;
O Jesus is a Rock in a weary land
A shelter in the time of storm.*

2 A shade by day, defense by night
A shelter in the time of storm;
No fears alarm, no foes affright
A shelter in the time of storm. [Refrain]

4 O Rock divine, O Refuge dear
A shelter in the time of storm;
Be Thou our helper ever near
A shelter in the time of storm. [Refrain]

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