

## LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

10:30 AM

### Welcome and Announcements

#### Opening (\* Please stand if able)

- \*Call to Worship and Greeting
- \*Invocation and Lord's Prayer
- \***Glory Be to the Father** →
- \***Nicene Creed** (p.13)
- \***Hymn 598** "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

"Glory be to the Father  
and to the Son and to the Holy  
Ghost. As it was in the  
beginning, is now and ever  
shall be, world without end."

#### Confession and Prayer

- The Reading of God's Revealed Will: **Exodus 19, 20**
- Pastoral Prayer
- Responsive Reading: **Lord's Day 49** (p.48)
- \***Hymn 486** "God, Be Merciful to Me"

#### God's Word Read and Applied

- Scripture: **Genesis 2:8-17; 3:20-24** Text: same
- Sermon: **THE TREE OF LIFE AND BEGINNING OF REDEMPTION!**
- Points: **I. The Purpose of the Tree of Life**  
**II. The Separation from the Tree of Life**  
**III. The Restoration of the Tree of Life**

#### Concluding Worship

Tithes and Offerings for the Ministry of ORC

- \***Hymn 195** "Joy to the World"
- \*Benediction
- \*Doxology →

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, you heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost."

**WELCOME in the Name of the Lord Jesus!** We are glad you are here and hope you are blessed worshipping with us. Please sign our guest book and fill out a visitor card to help us get to know you. As we worship we enter into the presence of Almighty God through His Spirit and Word. We come to Him who is worthy of praise for he has redeemed us to God by His blood:

***"You are worthy...and have redeemed us to God by Your blood, out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, and have made us kings and priests to our God...."*** Rev. 4:9,10

**"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." Gal. 6:2**

- **PRAY FOR OUR OUTREACH TO OMAHA** that the Lord would bless our efforts to plant and grow a congregation here. We can plant and water the seed, but only God can make it grow. Remember to pray!
- **HEALTH CONCERNS:** the **Boucher's Grandmother** and **Mary and Sienna Lincoln**. **Monte Bernhagen's** health concerns (son of **Keith and RoseMarie**). **Julie's** continued recovery. X-rays show that **Maggie Klynsma's** foot is healing.
- **CULTURAL CONCERNS:** Pray for our country, especially those in civil and military service and serving in elected office.
- **MISSIONS:** Pray for the **Mission Works in the RCUS**. This week pray especially for **Rev. Michael Voytek** and his labors in **Cerritos, CA**.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>WED EVENING STUDIES (LESSON 11 THE TRUTH PROJECT) 7:00 PM</b>
<b>DEC 23 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: READINGS, SPECIAL MUSIC, MESSAGE</b>

#### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PLANNED FOR DECEMBER 23

On the Friday Evening before Christmas we are planning a Christmas Program. We are hoping that there will be young people and adults that will want to participate. If someone would be interested in organizing this, let Pastor Randy know.

#### INSTRUCTIVE QUOTATIONS

"God is not a killjoy; he just opposes what kills joy." —John Piper

"It's one thing to believe in Christian orthodoxy. It is another thing not to be embarrassed about it." —Andrew Walker

"Sometimes we need to stop praying for opportunities to evangelize, but for boldness to use the opportunities God is giving." —Dhati Lewis

"There is no greater delusion than the common idea that it is possible to live wickedly, and yet rise again gloriously." —J.C. Ryle.

### OUR HERITAGE

**Omaha Reformed Church** is a mission work of the Reformed Church in the United States (founded in 1748). Our history goes back to the Protestant Reformation of the sixteenth-century. The Reformers summarized the teachings of Scripture in several historic confessions that came to be known as **The Three Forms of Unity**: the **Heidelberg Catechism** (1563), the **Belgic Confession** (1561) and the **Canons of Dort** (1619). We embrace these confessions, along with the **Apostles, Nicene and Athanasian Creeds** of the early church, as our own. We believe they continue to accurately summarize the teachings of God's unchanging word, the Holy Bible.

### OUR AUTHORITY

With the church throughout history we believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the **only divinely inspired, infallible Word of God**. They are the final authority for all questions of doctrine and life. The Spirit of God creates faith in our hearts through the preaching of the Gospel. The Lord Jesus is the only Head of the Church and has appointed pastors, elders and deacons to oversee His people. As officers they affirm and vow to uphold our church confessions, make joint decisions and be accountable to their fellow officers in the Classis and Synod of the Reformed Church in the U.S.

### OUR FAITH IN CHRIST

**"There is no other name under heaven given among men, by whom we must be saved"** (*Acts 4:12*). Jesus Christ is the only eternal Son of God and His life of perfect obedience and willing self-sacrifice for our sins is the basis of our salvation. To those who believe, He grants forgiveness of sins, true righteousness, and eternal life. These gifts, which we can neither earn nor deserve, are freely given to those who by true faith are engrafted into Him. In response to this salvation, we will be grateful and strive to live uprightly before Him. As we grow in grace, we will more and more love God, His Word and His Ways, and at the same time come to hate sin and flee from it. We trust in the grace of God to preserve us in this faith to the end. We believe that the Lord Jesus now possesses all authority in heaven and earth (Mt. 28:18) and will, on the appointed day, return to judge the living and the dead.

### OUR PRAYER FOR YOU

If you're a visitor and share these convictions, we encourage you to continue worshipping with us. We have a responsibility to preserve and proclaim **"the faith once for all delivered to the saints."** We offer **rest** to the weary, **comfort** for the distressed and **hope** for all. Our members and pastor will gladly visit with you about these things.

#### OMAHA REFORMED CHURCH

is a mission work of the **Reformed Church in the United States (RCUS)** under the oversight of **St. John's Reformed Church of Lincoln, NE.**

**Pastor Randy Klynsma** is our pastor and has been serving Christ's Church for over 25 years, earnestly proclaiming **"the faith once for all delivered to the saints"** Jude 3. He can be reached at the church phone # **(402)281-3263**

# Omaha Reformed Church

*"Where the Truth Lives!"*

**"Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."**

**Genesis 2:16,17**

**December 4, 2016**

**Sunday Worship at  
4905 N 96th Street  
Omaha, NE 68134**

**10:30 AM**

**Discipleship 9:00 AM  
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