

April 28 **SUNDAY, THE LORD'S DAY** **2024**

MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM

GEMS Sunday

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GEMS LITANY: *(responsive)*

GEMS PRESENTATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*GOD'S GREETING

*MUTUAL GREETING

*SONGS OF PRAISE:

 "Come, Thou Almighty King" *TCH #8:1,4*

 "Majesty" *TCH #10*

*STATEMENT OF FAITH: Apostles' Creed *(unison)*

CALL TO HOLY LIVING

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SONG OF ASSURANCE: "Blessed Assurance" *TCH #572:1-3*

DEACON'S PRAYER

OFFERING: *GEMS International*

OFFERTORY: *GEMS Slideshow*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING: *Deuteronomy 4:5-24*

(pg. 279)

*NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING: *Colossians 1:9-23*

(pg. 1832)

MESSAGE: **THE WORSHIP OF GOD AND THE HUMAN HEART**

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*SONG OF RESPONSE: "O For a Closer Walk with God" *v. 1,5*

*PARTING BLESSING

*CLOSING SONG: "Benediction/My Friends, May You Grow in Grace"

*POSTLUDE

Lynn Marshall, Worship Leader; Erik De Vries, Organist
PsH=Psalter Hymnal (grey); TCH=The Celebration Hymnal (red)

**If you are able, please stand*

WELCOME to New Life Christian Reformed Church! We are glad you are here today! If you are a guest, please enjoy some coffee and fellowship after the morning service. We pray you will be blessed as you worship with us.

THIS MORNING, we welcome **LYNN MARSHALL** and thank him for leading our morning worship service. Lynn was formerly a licensed preacher/ordained minister in the PCA from 2005 through 2018, and he served as pastor for two congregations in North Dakota.

THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

LORD'S DAY 35

96 Q. What is God's will for us in the second commandment?

- A.** That we in no way make any image of God nor worship him in any other way than he has commanded in his Word.

97 Q. May we then not make any image at all?

- A.** God can not and may not be visibly portrayed in any way.
- Although creatures may be portrayed, yet God forbids making or having such images if one's intention is to worship them or to serve God through them.

98 Q. But may not images be permitted in the churches as teaching aids for the unlearned?

- A.** No, we shouldn't try to be wiser than God. He wants his people instructed by the living preaching of his Word—not by idols that cannot even talk.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR TODAY

GREETERS: Mark & Tina Hoeksema/Rod Otte/Tim Piatek

NURSERY: Tamie Kuiper/Traci Leep

SOUND OPERATOR: Joe Jacobs

POWERPOINT OPERATOR: Lilly Armendariz

ROVING ELDER: Rod Otte

DEACON'S PRAYER: Chris Porter

COFFEE & COOKIE SERVERS: Sam & Judy Van Til

NURSERY CARE is available during our morning worship service for children 0-3 years of age. The nursery is located on our main floor in the east wing of the church at the end of the hallway.

WORSHIP CENTER will not be meeting today.

EDUCATION HOUR: 10:45 - 11:45 AM

- **SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** (3rd - 8th grade) meets in **Room 4**.
- **SENIOR CATECHISM CLASS** (9th - 12th grade) meets in the **Old Nursery (basement)**.
- **ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** meets in the **Fireside Room**.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Paul Armendariz—4/29

Candy Piersma—5/2