

MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*GOD'S GREETING

*MUTUAL GREETING

*SONGS OF PRAISE:

"O Worship the King" *PsH #428:1,2,4,5*"When Morning Gilds the Sky" *PsH #438:1,2,4,5*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SONG OF CONFESSION: "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" *PsH 287:1-4*

DEACON'S PRAYER

OFFERING: *Ministry Opportunity Fund*OFFERTORY:..... "All I Ever Want to Be/Lord, Be Glorified"
(Choir)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE:.....Luke 15:11-32 (pg. 1624)

MESSAGE:

THE STORY OF TWO SONS AND GOD'S AMAZING GRACE

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*SONG: "Amazing Grace-How Sweet the Sound" *PsH #462:1-5*

*PARTING BLESSING

*CLOSING SONG: "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"
PsH #501:1-2

*POSTLUDE

Rev. Laryn Zoerhof, Worship Leader; Lori Hofstra, 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 **REV. LARYN ZOERHOF** and thank him for leading our morning service. He is a retired pastor who served five congregations. He continues to serve the churches of Classis Illiana as the stated clerk.

SERMON NOTES

SERMON TITLE: A Story of Two Sons and God's Amazing Grace

SERMON TEXT: Luke 15:11-32

A. The Younger Son decides to leave home.

1. He was selfish.
2. He acted hastily.
3. He wasted everything he had.
4. He separated himself from every relationship he had.
5. He made a long string of bad decisions.

B. The Younger Son decides to return home.

1. There was an awakening.
2. There was repentance.
3. There was honesty.
4. There was humility.
5. There was resolution.

C. The Father's Response to the Younger Son.

1. The kiss represented forgiveness.
2. The best robe was a status symbol.
3. The ring was a sign of authority.
4. The sandals were a sign of freedom.
5. The feast was the sign of joyful welcome.

D. The Self-righteousness of the Older Son.

1. A sense of being treated unfairly.
2. An over-inflated view of self.
3. His blame of his father and his contempt for his brother.

E. The Father's Response to the Older Son.

1. The Father comes out to meet the angry son.
2. The Father offers grace to the son.

CONCLUSION: The Father has enough grace for both sons. He welcomes sorry sinners and smug saints. Come to Him now!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR TODAY

GREETERS: Drew Eenigenburg/Herb Sitter/Doug Van Til

NURSERY: Cathie Bennett/Tina Hoeksema

SOUND OPERATOR: Brad Gossman

POWERPOINT OPERATOR: Jackson Armendariz

ROVING ELDER: Larry Moes

DEACON'S PRAYER: P.J. Wiltjer

COFFEE & COOKIE SERVERS: Bill & Kathi Fulton

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.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS to **CAMERON & HOLLY (SCHOON) ZANDSTRA** who were married at our church on Saturday, August 10! They are thankful for the prayers that supported them as they prepared for this new stage in their lives.

AFTER THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE, cake will be served in honor of **RY & JAN BRUMMEL'S 65th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!**

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Florence Lagestee–8/14

Herb Sitter–8/16

Ry and Jan Brummel's 65th Wedding Anniversary–8/14

EXPRESSION OF THANKS: "Thank you very much to everyone who participated in our Wednesday Night Live Event! We had a successful evening, and your help was greatly appreciated!" **-Picnic Committee**