MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM

First Sunday of Lent

PRELUDE

LENT VIDEO: "Forgive Me"

CHOIR:"Ah, Holy Jesus"

OPENING PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP: (responsive)

*GOD'S GREETING

*MUTUAL GREETING

*SONGS OF PRAISE:

"God Himself Is with Us" PsH #244:1-3

"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" *PsH* #501:1,2,3,4,6,7 {Children 4 years old – 1st grade are invited to join the Worship Center leaders in the back during the last song}

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SONG: "My Lord, I Did Not Choose You" PsH #496:1-2

DEACON'S PRAYER

OFFERING: Gideons International

OFFERTORY: "Near to the Heart of God"

Choir

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*SONG: "Man of Sorrows-What a Name" PsH #482:1-4

*PARTING BLESSING

*CLOSING SONG: "Man of Sorrows-What a Name" PsH #482:5

*POSTLUDE

Pastor Cedric Parsels, 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.

NEXT SUNDAY, **March 16**, we plan to commemorate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. If you are unable to come to church and would like to receive communion in your home, please contact your district Elder this week.

DURING THE SEASON OF LENT, the church travels with Jesus on the road to the cross. As we prepare to remember our Savior's betrayal, arrest, suffering, and death, we reflect on what things in our lives we may need to put to death so we can live in the newness of Jesus' resurrection and ascension. May the light of Christ shine more deeply into our hearts as we walk this road with Him, revealing the darkness within us and making us new.

SERVING TODAY

GREETERS: John Boender/Ry & Jan Brummel/P.J. Wiltjer

NURSERY: Cathie Bennett/Amanda Piatek POWERPOINT OPERATOR: Kathi Fulton SOUND OPERATOR: Matthew Fulton

ROVING ELDER: Fred Leep

DEACON'S PRAYER: Dale Ketelaar

COFFEE & COOKIE SERVERS: Kevin & Carla Van Til

OPPORTUNITIES FOR TODAY

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

<u>WORSHIP CENTER</u>: Children's Church (4 years old - 1st grade) meets on the main floor in Room 3. Teachers will escort children there during the morning worship service (see order of worship).

EDUCATION HOUR: 10:45 - 11:45 AM

- ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CLASS (2nd 5th grade) meets on the main floor in Room 4.
- MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASS (6th 8th grade) meets in the basement in Room 11.
- HIGH SCHOOL CATECHISM CLASS (9th 12th grade) meets in the old nursery in the basement.
- ADULT EDUCATION CLASS meets in the Fireside Room.

The nursery will be staffed and open during the Sunday School hour for newborns - 1st grade.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

MEMBERSHIP NEWS: On March 5, the Elders heard and accepted the Profession of Faith of Victoria Wondaal. She will make her public profession on Sunday, March 16. The Elders previously received and accepted the confessing membership statement of Tony Wondaal and the baptized membership statements of Elise and Charles from Faith Church in Dyer, Indiana. We welcome them wholeheartedly and pray that our congregation may be a blessing to them.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Carole Gilbert (84)–3/10
Ella Van Til–3/11
Robin Natelborg–3/13
Jackson Armendariz, Cameron Zandstra–3/14