

March 10, 2024



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We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements

Jr Choir – “I Thank God”

Praise Singing

“Build Your Kingdom Here”

“One Thing Remains”

“Make Room”

Congregational Prayer

We Hear God’s Word

Children’s Message – Amber Gordon

Message – God’s Monkey Wrench: A Disruptor’s ~~Survival~~/Thrival Guide

Scripture – Philippians 1:12-19

We Respond to God

Prayer

“I Surrender All” Hymn #404

Blessing

If you are newer to Alto Reformed Church, we invite you to fill out a Connection Card, located at the entrance to the sanctuary, and turn it in at the Fellowship Kitchen for a small gift.



God's Monkey Wrench:

How God Disrupts Our Lives and Sets Us Straight

A Disruptor's Survival/Thrival Guide

Phil. 1:12-19

WHAT HAPPENED?

1. Paul _____ of Christ (1:15,17,18; Acts 17:16-18; 16:31; 19)
2. Paul _____ for Christ (1:13-14,15-18; Acts 21-25)

He stresses therefore the masses of dark threads that the recent years had woven into the pattern of his life—the animosities and bodily pains, the lies, misrepresentations and deceitfulness, the miscarriage of justice, the chains which forcibly kept him from travelling for the gospel, the mental turmoil of appealing to Caesar against his own people, the nearness of death and the... [diminishing] of hope, the triumph of wickedness and the continued suppression of the truth.

J. A. Motyer, [The Message of Philippians](#), The Bible Speaks Today (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1984), 65.

3. Paul _____ God Work (1:12-14; 4:22)

RESULTS:

A. Believers were _____ knowing God was using Paul's _____ and _____ to _____ others. (1:14)

B. Paul was strengthened _____ that through the believer's _____ & God's _____ of the Spirit, he would be _____! (1:19)

APPLICATION:

They were strengthened, so that they would _____...

TWO DISRUPTIVE ACTIONS

1. _____ of your Savior (1:14)
2. _____ your ~~situation~~ Savior (1:18, 25; 3:1; 4:4)

Consider Prison Ministry: •Pray for prisoners and guards to know Jesus and be radically changed by him. •Pray for the volunteers to be empowered to advance the gospel. •Talk with Jerry Medema about opportunities in the prison.

This Week's Events

- Mar 10** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
 9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Jr Choir
 10:45am – Sunday School, Outreach Team Meeting
 11:30am – Partnership Class
 7:00pm – Community Prayer Service
- Mar 12** 8:00am – Prayer Meeting
 9:30am – Women's Bible Study – Thessalonians
 6:30pm – Equipping Children & Families Team Meeting
 7:00pm – Consistory Meeting
- Mar 13** Megan on vacation through 3/17, please contact Pastor Kevin with prayer requests, etc.
 9:30am – Golden Lifers
 5:50pm – Elementary Praise Band
 6:00pm – Men's Chorus at Prairie Ridge Assisted Living
 6:20pm – Sonshine Singers, Jr Choir
 6:45pm – Bible Class
 7:30pm – High School Youth Group
- Mar 17** 8:30am – Prayer Meeting
 9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Mixed Choir
 10:45am – Sunday School
 12:00pm – Youth Director Search Team Meeting
 5:30pm – Middle School Praise Band
 6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group

To view the church calendar, go to www.altoreformedchurch.org

Youth News

Middle School – Tonight is the Community Prayer service! Please arrive at 6:30pm (band at 6pm), service will go 7-8pm.

High School – Wednesday we're splitting into guys and girls groups to talk about temptation. God promises in scripture to always provide a way out when we are tempted - but what does that look like? See you at 7:30 to talk about it.

Opportunities to Get Involved

Community Prayer Service – Join us for a Community Prayer Service (formerly known as the Crops, Livestock & Industry Prayer Service) as we draw closer to God through prayer and worship on tonight at 7pm.

All Church Retreat – Join us for our the All Church Retreat at Silver Birch Ranch on April 19-21. Brochures with information are in your church mailbox or at the Information Center. Register by March 31st or contact Megan to get help with registration. Any questions, reach out to Lynnae or Jessa.

Pinewood Derby Family Night – Join us at the Alto Community Center on Wednesday, April 17th from 5:30-7:30pm for a fun, free night. We'll have a meal at 5:30pm and races will start at 6pm. Sign-up and grab a car kit with instructions at the Children & Families Resource Center by April 10th. Classes range from 1st grade to adult. Want to check the weight of your car? Stop in by Lynnae or Megan. Don't want to race a car? Join us anyway.

Bulletin Board News

Offering may be placed in one of the three white offering boxes located in the lobby, may be given online, or through autopay. For more info or to set up autopay, please contact Megan. Upcoming benevolent schedule: 3/10 Gideons International, 3/17 Missionary Salary, 3/24 Waupun Food Pantry, 3/31 Brandon Food Pantry. If you feel led to give specifically towards the ceiling project, please put your check in a separate marked envelope in one of the offering boxes. The deacons are keeping track separately of what has been contributed towards the project, which will be shown on the monthly financial reports. Thank you.

Congrats to Barrie & Ardyce Tenpas as they celebrate their 67th wedding anniversary on March 15th.

Donations for VBS – We are in need of empty 8oz water bottles and empty cool whip containers. Donations may be placed in the tote at the Equipping Children & Families Resource Center.

P - praise R - repent A - ask Y – yield

Praise: Gracious Savior, we celebrate your gospel of grace. We thank you for speaking through others and showing faithfulness in their suffering that we might understand your love and truth.

Repent: Forgive us for wallowing in our suffering and letting our situation undermine our attitude and hope in you.

Ask: Lord, strengthen us through the prayers of others and the provision of the Spirit that we might see you advance the gospel through our speaking and in our suffering. Surround us with godly disruptors who will help us disrupt this world with your love and truth.

- Empower and strengthen the oppressed, especially persecuted Christians around the world. Use their bold faith to disrupt corrupt men.
- Stir up a conviction in our political leaders to support life, liberty, and justice. Uncover evil and deception in our leaders that they may lead us toward truth.
- Guide our consistory in every decision so that your mission will be pursued and lives disrupted by grace and truth.
- Bring healing, strength and peace to those listed below as they face challenges each day. Renew their hearts, minds, and bodies to continue to live faithfully in this world.

Yield: In my suffering, I will rejoice in you! I will make every effort to confirm my calling and election. I will maintain a life of prayer, study your Word, participate in the Lord's supper, gather with believers regularly, use my spiritual gifts and financial resources to further the mission of Jesus through the local church, live a life pleasing to you and accept the spiritual guidance of the church leadership.

THIS WEEK... Pray for Deb Bruins and family as her mom passed away this week.

Healing: Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery/illness, etc.: Dewey Bille, Betty Daane, Elaine Daane, Sharon DeMotts, Barbara Gordon, Alvin Harmsen, Faye Janey, Melene Kraemer, Jim Parrish, Dave Rumley, Dale Schultz, Jean Stelsel, Jim Stelsel, Rick Stelsel, Emma Ter Beest, Jodi Vande Berg, Ron Vande Zande, Harold VanRuiswyk, Joe Ware, and Sheila Winter.

Military Personnel:

Aaron Zeatlow, stationed in Las Vegas;
Sebastian Hoenisch, stationed in San Diego, grandson of Larry & Gloria Mulder;
Matt Saunders, stationed in east Africa, nephew to David Grulich & Rosemary Tschinkel
Cyler Ruis, stationed in California, nephew to Joel & Pamela Ruis

Shut-ins: Members in assisted living, nursing homes or those confined to their home: **Barrett House:** Lowell Glewen **Charleston House:** Brian Hemp **Beaver Dam Memory Care:** Cora Hemp **Christian Home:** Elaine Daane, Sharon Harmsen, Barrie & Ardyce Tenpas, Dayton TerBeest, Kay Vande Zande, Marilyn Westerveld **Home:** Margaret Hoekstra, Julie Medema, Marion Tolsma, **Christian Homestead:** Betty Bruins, Don Vande Zande **Marvin's Manor:** Eleanor Loomans **Prairie Ridge:** Annice Hopp

Missionaries: Bob Abel – Remember Nhu, Steve & Amanda Bialy – Converge, Chris Briggs – CCCD, Andy Lickel – InterVarsity, Jersey & Preston Sheldon – Overland Missions, Randy & Wanda Potratz – SIM, Scott Ritzema – Youth for Christ