



REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA
FOLLOWING CHRIST IN MISSION

JULY 2, 2017

9:30 A.M.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

We Approach God in Praise and Prayer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***OPENING HYMN #728** “God of the Ages”

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION / ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***PRAISE SONGS** – #654 “Holy Ground”; #652 “This is the Day”

CHILDREN’S SERMON

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

The Word of God

SCRIPTURE Genesis 22:1-14; Romans 6:12-23

SERMON “Going to the Mountain to.....”

Reverend Bill Appleyard-Pekich

We Respond to God's Word

THE OFFERING

INTROIT **We give thee but thine own,
Whate’er the gift may be:
All that we have is thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from thee.**

PRAYER AND GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY #34** “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

***HYMN #727** “America the Beautiful”

***BENEDICTION**

***CLOSING SONG #305** “He is Lord”

***POSTLUDE**

Welcome!

Sisters and brothers, welcome as we gather to praise our Lord Jesus Christ. Please greet one another warmly.

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**Our shut-ins:** Lois Eertmoed, Ruth McClellan, Ida Stauthammer, Pat Stauthammer, Mary Thorne, Ruth Topper and Viola Wolfer. Please remember them all in your prayers.

**Prayer request:** Please pray for our church partnership with Mvera CCAP church in Malawi, Africa.

**Consistory members:** If you have any questions or concerns please contact one of our consistory members:

## **Elders**

Nancy Munkhondya – *Education*  
Jim Ash – *Missions / outreach*  
Larry Sims – *Property*  
Gloria Busman – *Congregational care*  
Mark Busman – *Education*

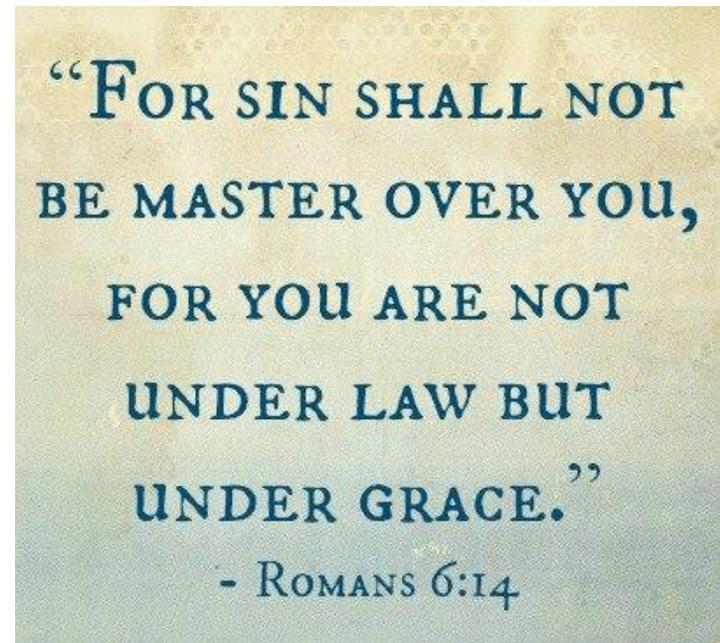
## **Deacons**

Randy Bowers – *Property*  
Jenni Bowers – *Congregational care*  
Paul Sims – *Worship*  
Sharron Proehl – *Worship*  
Bev Cornwell – *Missions / outreach*

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*“Second Reformed Church seeks to invite all people to follow Jesus Christ. Learning and doing, together, all God teaches in the Bible”.*



Reverend Bill Appleyard-Pekich  
Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 AM  
Sunday School 10:45 AM

## *Announcements*

Today 9:30 AM Worship Service  
10:45 AM Sunday School

**Mission of the month:** The July mission of the month is for Words of Hope. The offering will be received July 30.

**Boiler fund:** We continue to solicit donations for the eventual replacement of the boiler that heats the main part of the church building. Please give by placing your contribution in the offering plate (in an envelope labeled “Boiler Fund”). The account that has been set up, exclusively for the boiler replacement, currently has a balance of \$3300.00.

## Those Who Serve

### Today (7/2/17)

Greeters: Joseph and Nancy  
Munkhondya  
Scripture: Cole Jordan  
Lawn care: Jim Ash

### Next Sunday (7/9/17)

Paula Sims and Carol  
Breedlove  
Nancy Munkhondya  
Randy Bowers

### ATTENDANCE

Worship service – 41  
Sunday School – 29

### STEWARSHIP

Needed weekly: \$1870.00  
6/18/17 offering: \$953.65  
6/25/17 offering: \$596.01

Mission of the month offering: \$88.53

### Prayer of Confession:

Mighty God, on Tuesday we celebrate our nation’s independence and our freedom. And today we have come confessing that we are sinners. So many ways and times, we have preferred our will to yours through our thoughts words and our deeds. Forgive us, and give us the strength to live as you have called, to respond with gratitude for the freedom we have from sin. Amen.

# Words of Hope History

## (Our Mission of the Month for July)

# WORDS OF HOPE

Good News.  
No Boundaries.

In 1944, the Rev. Howard Teusink, then pastor of the Trinity Reformed Church of Kalamazoo, Michigan, stayed home one Sunday morning, too sick to preach. From his bed he turned his radio dial, searching for a gospel broadcast. After listening for some time, he became convinced of the need for a radio broadcast with a sound, well-balanced biblical witness.

At the urging of Rev. Teusink's consistory, the ministry of Words of Hope officially began under the name "Temple Time." The ministry's purpose statement was: "to preach through broadcasting Jesus Christ as the only Savior."

The first broadcast of the new ministry aired on July 22, 1945, from the Central Reformed Church of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Dr. William Goulooze, then Professor of Church History at Western Theological Seminary in Holland,

Michigan, presented a message titled, "Consider Christ Jesus." Within months of this first broadcast, the gospel-proclaiming work of Temple Time was soon adopted by three regional synods of the RCA as their official broadcast.

Preaching Christ as Savior remains the core goal of the ministry of Words of Hope today, as we continue to expand our reach into new countries and languages, utilizing new media formats as they become available.

Ministering today in more than 35 languages, Words of Hope is a leader in international Christian radio production. For over 70 years, Words of Hope has maintained its core vision: to share Jesus Christ with the world.

