

To Our Visitors, Welcome!

To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come – this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of Jesus her Lord.

We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning, and we invite you to join us for fellowship, coffee, and cookies after the service in the parlor.

Children are welcomed and encouraged to remain in the Worship service, however an unstaffed nursery is available for parents and children who might need a little break. Ask anyone with a nametag for directions!

Minute for Mission

~ The Road to Kamwangu ~

The Evangelism Committee is excited to share that we have heard from two of our new brothers in Christ in Kamwangu Nendini, Kenya ... Pastor Mackylas, the pastor we are supporting, and Rev. Mpengu, the clerk of the Central Chogoria Presbytery, Kenya.

We have learned that Pastor Mackylas is serving THREE churches in the wide area that covers the Kamwangu Nendini or mission area. The Chogoria Presbytery has been asked to provide him with a motorcycle in order to cover the entire area. He has been preaching in the churches on Sunday and started right away visiting and praying with the people in their homes during the week.

David Mbae, our Kenyan liaison, took time recently to tour on motorcycle around the Kamwangu Nendini to photograph two of the Kamwangu churches for us. You'll see some of these pictures in the April newsletter, and they also will soon appear on the new Evangelism bulletin board in the hallway between the education wing and the parlor. Both congregations in this very poor area have begun new church buildings but have run out of funding, so construction has stopped. Please pray for funding. We look forward with excitement to our Christian journey with these people!

~ An Opportunity to be Involved ~

The Evangelism Committee is looking for one friendly person each week to be in the Narthex prior to Worship to greet our new visitors. If you would like to be one of those friendly folks, there is a sign-up sheet in the Parlor. Look for it when you go there for the coffee hour after the service today!

Prayer Concerns

✠ For Pastor Paul and family, Matt Martin, Johnny Ussery, Justen Christensen, Bobbie Waldram, Sue Robertson, Carol Palomo, Jan Capps, Heather Milliken, Ardis Milliken, Paula Gardner, Marielle Bondurant, Margarete Krans, Kathy Aeschliman, Joanna Volker, Barbara Scifers, Jo Moreland, Allan Irwin, Tom Hoffman, the families and friends of Harold Moore and Bernadine Reed.

✠ For our country; the President, Cabinet and other government officials and staff; for our Congressional Delegation: Senators Mike Enzi and John Barrasso, Representative Cynthia Lummis and for Judge Brian D. Christensen.

✠ For all military men and women and their families, especially Brian Barksdale, Travis Gitthens and for others serving in dangerous positions.

✠ For the Presbytery of Wyoming; for the EPC Presbytery of the West, for our Elders and Deacons, for Christ Reformed Presbyterian Church (EPC) in Lingle; for Chogoria South Presbytery in Kenya, the Nendini of Kamwangu and Pastor Mackylas Mutegi Linus; for Channel North Africa's outreach to new Christians and to Muslims

✠ For Christians suffering persecution in Libya, Iraq, Pakistan, Syria, and wherever else they may suffer, for Christians at risk in Nigeria, Kenya, Algeria and other places.

Please keep updating the office about those you have added to these Prayer Concerns.

Upcoming Events for the week of April 7th - April 13th

MONDAY

2 pm Parish Life

5:30 pm Christian Growth

Tuesday

10 am Bible Study - Colossians

4:15 & 6:15 pm Companions in Christ

Wednesday

9:30 am Bible Study - Jeremiah

7 pm Choir Practice

8 pm Bell Choir practice

Palm Sunday

9 am Sunday school

9 am Inquirers' Class – meet in the small conference room on the 2nd floor

10:30 am Worship

Sermon: "Who is Doing the Shouting"

Text: Zechariah 9:9-13

Luke 19:28-40

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Order for the Worship of God

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Prelude *Prelude and Fugue in E minor* J.S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Grace and Peace to you.

People: And also to you.

***Introit** *Light of Light, Enlighten Me* Insert

***Call to Worship** Psalm 34:1-4

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD, let the afflicted hear and be glad.

Leader: O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

People: I sought the LORD, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. Praise the LORD!

*Invocation

***Hymn** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* #38

Psalter Psalm 138
Pew Bible [Blue p. 521] [Red p. 661]

Reading alternate verses, last verse in unison

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Most holy and merciful Father; We acknowledge and confess in your presence: our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good; and all our shortcomings and offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned: in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. But please, O Lord, have pity on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors. Cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of your dear Son our Savior. And O most holy and loving Father, send your purifying grace into our hearts, we beseech You, that we may henceforth live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

~ Silent prayer ~ Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (responsively)

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri** #734

Anthem *Praise! Praise!* Arr. Patrick Liebergen

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Text Psalm 44:1-8
Pew Bible [Blue p. 470] [Red p. 596]

New Testament Text Acts 5:27-32
Pew Bible [Blue p. 913] [Red p. 1162]

Sermon *Jesus Sits at the Right Hand* Elder Greg Irwin

***Hymn** *Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power* #300

Prayers of the People

Thanksgiving
Intercession
For the Church
For the Ministry
For the Nation
For all People
The Lord's Prayer

Tithes and Offerings

***Offertory** *My Song is Love Unknown* arr. Michael Burkhardt

***Doxology** #731

***Hymn** *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* #164

*Benediction

***Postlude** *Variation on AZMON* Robert Hobby

***Please stand if you are able**



Participants in Today's Service

Preaching	Elder Greg Irwin
Liturgist	Henry Groenenberg
Head Usher	Patti Christensen
Organist	Beverly McAmis Reese
Choir Master	Zach Vreeman
Greeter	MH Hennagin

Information

- ✚ Please call the church office (237-9509) ...
 - ✓ If you or a member of your family would like a visit when you are recuperating in the hospital or at home.
 - ✓ If you would like your name added to the Prayer Band.
 - ✓ If you would like your name in the Bulletin for prayer.
- ✚ The Session would like for each member to have a copy of the EPC Leadership Training Guide. You can pick up a free copy from the literature rack by the office door.
- ✚ The Tuesday afternoon and evening Companions in Christ small groups will be starting a new study soon ... Beth Moore's "Jesus the One and Only" (a study of the Gospel of Luke). Please contact Phyllis Karns or Judy Schenk if you are interested in joining either group and want a workbook.
- ✚ Session is asking for a per capita payment of \$40.00 for 2014 (above and beyond your pledge).

Our Mission Statement

Recognizing that we are a broken and sinful people in a fallen world in need of a Savior and a transforming, everlasting relationship with the one triune God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, our mission is to glorify God as a theologically reformed Presbyterian congregation through

- ❖ Christ-centered liturgical worship to strengthen our faith,
- ❖ Biblically-grounded teaching and preaching to equip disciples,
- ❖ Family-focused fellowship to nurture and encourage each other, and
- ❖ Gospel-based ministry to share God's grace and love in Casper and beyond.