

WORSHIP SERVICE
AUSTINVILLE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
February 21, 2021
First Sunday in Lent

Sunday Service 9:30 a.m.

Scripture: Isaiah 55:8-9

Title: **I Did it My Way**

Songs: 137, 25

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:9-15

Today

Nursery: Melanie

Greeters: Markley, Kathy, Jason

God's Will: Bobbi

Next Sunday

Nursery: Phyllis

Greeters: Alex and Marina

God's Will: Michael

Welcome to all who have joined us for worship today. We pray God's blessing on the Word that is spoken.

Our Special Offering today will be for Timothy Christian School. Next week our special offering will go toward the Maintenance Fund.

Next week: We will continue our Lenten series "Opposites" with a look at "Darkness vs. Light".

This Week

Tuesday 2/23 @ 6:30pm - Council Meeting

Wednesday 2/24 @ 6:20pm - AWANA at Aplington Baptist Church

Thursday 2/25 @ 7:00pm - Women's and Men's Bible study.

Announcements.

- **Council meeting:** Our Feb council meeting was rescheduled to this Tuesday the 23rd at 6:30pm. This will also serve as our March meeting.

- **Student Connection Fundraiser:** Do you have a HEART for local youth? Show your LOVE to the Student Connection by collecting items from our Giving Tree for our weekly programs, events and fundraisers throughout the year. Take a heart and bring back the items to this location. Each heart is valued at \$5-\$15. Gifts will be collected March 1st. Thanks for showing your support for this local ministry.
- **Free Book:** There are copies of Pastor George McGuire's book "The Preacher Who Couldn't Talk" on the table by the front entrance. These are FREE and tell of his very interesting story with many references to his years here in Austinville. It is Pastor George's desire that these inspirational books get into the hands of anyone who needs some encouragement. Take as many as you like, there are more if the pile runs out.
- **Ladies and teen girls!** You are invited to IF Gathering 2021 March 5&6 at the Student Connection!! We will start Friday evening around 5:30 and connect to the livestream of IF Gathering all evening! Then we are back at it early Saturday morning. This is a free event for you and meals will be provided. Please come for all of it or only part of it.. And bring a friend! No official RSVP needed, though we would love for you to send us a message if you plan to come so we have enough food. Hope to see many women coming together for this event!!! Annie Dohrn @319-504-7986 or Edith Helmke @319-231-9102
- **Aplington Holy Week:** Things will look a little different this year but we will try to hold the following community services: Wednesday night is cancelled for this year; Thursday evening Communion service at 1st Reformed @ 7pm; Friday evening TBD @ 7pm. Masks are strongly encouraged for these services.

Prayer Concerns:

- Pray for healing and restoration in our country.
- Prayers for our shut-ins and others unable to worship with us in person.
- Prayers for Carolyn as she recovers from her surgery this last Monday.
- Prayers for pastor Scott Summers as he begins his cancer treatments.
- Prayers for Larry and Celia as she continues treatments for cancer over the next several weeks.
- Prayers for Pastor's uncle Gary, he has small cell brain cancer and will undergo treatment.
- Let us remember our local church church partners and pray for their ministries as they reach people for God. This week let us pray for Bethel Reformed.