

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

10:30 AM

Welcome and Announcements

Opening (* Please stand if able)

*Call to Worship and Greeting

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

***Glory Be to the Father**



***Nicene Creed** (p.13)

***Hymn 555**

"Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy
Ghost. As it was in the
beginning, is now and ever shall
be, world without end." Amen

"Another Year Is Dawning"

Confession and Prayer

God's Revealed Will: O.T.

Exodus 19, 20

Pastoral Prayer

Responsive Reading:

Lord's Day 1 (p. 19)

***Hymn 1**

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

God's Word Read and Applied

Scripture: Acts 8:1-8 Text: same

Sermon: **CHURCH GROWTH FURTHERED BY PERSECUTION**

Points: **I. The Occasion of Church Growth**

II. The Method of Church Growth

III. The Example of Church Growth

Concluding Worship

Tithes and Offerings for the Ministry of ORC

***Hymn 564**

"Now Blessed Be Jehovah God"

*Benediction

*Doxology



Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, you heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost."

WELCOME in the Name of the Lord Jesus! We are glad you are here and hope you are blessed worshiping with us. Please sign our guest book and fill out a visitor card to help us get to know you. In worship we enter into the presence of Almighty God through His Spirit and Word. We come to Him who is supremely worthy of praise: **"And they sang a new song, saying:**

"You are worthy...and have redeemed us to God by Your blood, out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, and have made us kings and priests to our God...." Rev. 5:9,10

"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." Gal. 6:2

- **PRAY FOR OUR OUTREACH IN OMAHA** that the Lord would help us reach the spiritually blind with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- **CONGREGATION:** Also pray for our extended families and students: **Melanie, Andrew, Stephen, & Maggie; Cindy W., Dian Kunce.** The **Lawsons'** extended family. **Sandra Castro.** Family of **Stephanie, Kala Brown's** friend. Traveling safety.
- **DENOMINATION:** The **Churches** and **Mission Works** in the **RCUS.** This week pray especially for **Rev. Jonathon Merica** and his work in **Stockton, CA.** Ministers with health concerns. **RCUS World Missions** as well as **Westminster Biblical Missions.**
- **NATION:** Pray for our country and remember those in civil and military service, judges, leaders, and those in elected office.
- **WORLD:** Persecuted believers, those affected by political unrest and godless governments. Change in **N. Korea.** **Early Rain Covenant Reformed Church** in China. **Fikret Bocek** in Turkey.

ON THE CALENDAR

WED	WEDNESDAY EVE BIBLE STUDY	7:00 PM
JAN 13	LORD'S SUPPER AND FELLOWSHIP MEAL	
JAN 22	ANNUAL MEETING @ ST. JOHN'S REFORMED IN LINCOLN.	

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday we are planning to celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Those who have professed true faith in Christ and are in good standing, are welcome to partake of the Lord's table with us. After the Communion service, we will share a Fellowship Meal together. Participants are asked bring an entrée AND a salad OR dessert to share.

INSTRUCTIVE QUOTATIONS

"Who we love above all else is who we worship, and who we worship controls us."
—Ed Welch

"In this life, victory often looks like endurance." —Mark Dever

"The most offensive claim in Christianity is that God is the Creator, Owner and Judge of every person on the planet." —David Platt

"Worry: Glancing at God while gazing at circumstances. Trust: Glancing at circumstances while gazing at God." —Matt Smethurst

"We live and die; Christ died and lived!" —John Stott

OUR HERITAGE

Omaha Reformed Church is a mission work of the Reformed Church in the United States (founded in 1748). Our history goes back to the Protestant Reformation of the sixteenth-century. The Reformers summarized the teachings of Scripture in several historic confessions that came to be known as **The Three Forms of Unity**: the **Heidelberg Catechism** (1563), the **Belgic Confession** (1561) and the **Canons of Dort** (1619). We embrace these confessions, along with the **Apostles, Nicene and Athanasian Creeds** of the early church, as our own. We believe they continue to accurately summarize the teachings of God's unchanging word, the Holy Bible.

OUR AUTHORITY

With the church throughout history we believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the **only divinely inspired, infallible Word of God**. They are the final authority for all questions of doctrine and life. The Spirit of God creates faith in our hearts through the preaching of the Gospel. The Lord Jesus is the only Head of the Church and has appointed pastors, elders and deacons to oversee His people. As officers they affirm and vow to uphold our church confessions, make joint decisions and be accountable to their fellow officers in the Classis and Synod of the Reformed Church in the U.S.

OUR FAITH IN CHRIST

"There is no other name under heaven given among men, by whom we must be saved" (*Acts 4:12*). Jesus Christ is the only eternal Son of God and His life of perfect obedience and willing self-sacrifice for our sins is the basis of our salvation. To those who believe, He grants forgiveness of sins, true righteousness, and eternal life. These gifts, which we can neither earn nor deserve, are freely given to those who by true faith are grafted into Him. In response to this salvation, we will be grateful and strive to live uprightly before Him. As we grow in grace, we will more and more love God, His Word and His Ways, and at the same time come to hate sin and flee from it. We trust in the grace of God to preserve us in this faith to the end. We believe that the Lord Jesus now possesses all authority in heaven and earth (Mt. 28:18) and will, on the appointed day, return to judge the living and the dead.

OUR PRAYER FOR YOU

If you're a visitor and share these convictions, we encourage you to continue worshipping with us. We have a responsibility to preserve and proclaim **"the faith once for all delivered to the saints."** We offer **rest** to the weary, **comfort** for the distressed and **hope** for all. Our members and pastor will gladly visit with you about these things.

OMAHA REFORMED CHURCH

is a mission work of the **Reformed Church in the United States (RCUS)** under the oversight of **St. John's Reformed Church of Lincoln, NE.**

Pastor Randy Klynsma is our pastor and has been serving Christ's Church for over 28 years, earnestly proclaiming **"the faith once for all delivered to the saints"** Jude 3. He can be reached at **(402)281-3263**.

Omaha Reformed Church

"Where the Truth Lives!"

"At that time a great persecution arose against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles....

Therefore those who were scattered went everywhere preaching the word."

Acts 8:1b,4

January 6, 2019

**Sunday Worship:
4905 N 96th Street
Omaha, NE 68134**

**10:30 AM
Discipleship 9:00 AM
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