

A Christian Reformed Church

Glorifying God by Knowing, Living and Proclaiming our Hope in Christ

TODAY'S MESSAGE

What Does All This Have To Do With The Fourth Commandment?

Deuteronomy 14:22 - 16:17

NOVEMBER 12, 2023

Senior Pastor Scott Roberts Associate Pastor Ethan Rogers

Order of Worship



Come Let's Sing

Call to Worship: Psalm 30:11-12

Mission Statement

Prayer

Reading of the Word: Deuteronomy 14:22-29, TLB

The First Place

Deuteronomy 15:1-23

I Will Sing of My Redeemer

Deuteronomy 16:1-8

His Name Is Life

Deuteronomy 16:9-17

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Prayer

Sermon What Does All This Have To Do With The 4th Commandment?

10,000 Reasons

Benediction

Announcements

The River of Life

Welcome!

Welcome to Hope in Christ Church. We are so glad you have joined us today!

May God bless you as you worship with us.

God is Moving Mountains

Burkina Faso: Life Under Siege

Some 40 percent of Burkina Faso is controlled by Islamic terrorist. Some 6,100 schools and 373 health clinics are closed, mostly in the north and east. Forty-six localities are besieged; conditions are intolerable. Catholic Charity Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) recently interviewed Fr Pierre Rouamba after he visited, by helicopter, the besieged province of Kompienga, in Est (east) Region. He told ACN that after Pentecost 2023 the terrorists started attacking the local population; many have been killed and wounded. Christians are being pressured to convert to Islam; many have died attempting to flee. Women are routinely abducted and held as sex-slaves until they are pregnant. Water is rationed, food is scarce, and churches are closed. Despite this, 'requests for baptisms are pouring in, and discipleship classes are continuing'.

Please pray the Lord will protect and sustain the Christian leaders who risk their lives to care for believers struggling to survive inside besieged territories. (RLPB 718)

For more information, contact Rebekah Roberts Rebekah@ChristianResponse.org

Today's Offering

The suggested donation for the offering this morning is the General Fund.

WHAT DOES ALL THIS HAVE TO DO WITH THE FOURTH COMMANDMENT?

- I. What is the 4th commandment? (Dt 5:12-15)
 - A. We hear the 4th commandment, and automatically, think what?
 - B. But there is more to the 4th commandment than not working and resting.
- II. The Fourth Commandment & Food
 - A. Eating to revere (Dt 14:22-23, Mt 4:4, Jn 6:68-69)
 - B. Tithes and Rejoicing (Dt 14:24-29
 - 1. The legalism of tithing and sabbath keeping misses this point.
 - 2. Our giving should bring about rejoicing and sharing with others.
 - 3. NT Corollaries
 - C. Firstborn animals and eating them (Dt 15:19-23)
 - D. Everything about 4th command and eating was meant to bring rejoicing, reverent awe, thanksgiving, and sharing with other needy people.

Deuteronomy 14:22-16:17

- III. The 4th commandment and debt cancellation (Dt 15:1-18)
 - A. Note this isn't debt cancellation carte blanche for every person.
 - B. NT Corollary
 - 1. First, we could give loans to one another.
 - 2. Second, we could takes steps to help cancel the legitimate debts of others.
 - 3. Why would we do this? b/c Christ has given us freely what we needed when lost in sin, so that we could be redeemed and find freedom again.
- IV. The 4th commandment and Festivals (Dt 16:1-17, HC 103)

 A. These were to be special times for rejoicing (Dt 16:11, 14)
 - B. What ways can we take our reasons for rejoicing to others?

Announcements

BUTTER BRAIDS SALE: GEMS will be selling Butter Braid Pastries and assorted cookie dough again in time for Christmas and New Year's celebrations. There will be a sign -up sheet on the foyer table to order. The funds will be used to support a student at the Esther School in Zambia.

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE: Please join us for worship on Thanksgiving Day (Thurs., Nov. 23 @ 9:30 a.m.) as we sing, pray, hear from God's Word and celebrate Communion around tables. The deacons special offering that day will be for World Renew.

CRAFTING WITH FRIENDS: All (ages 6 to 96) are welcome to come to the church on Saturday, Nov. 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.. Contact Darlys Recker if you have questions.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS: The church office will be closed for Thanksgiving vacation from the 22nd through the 28th.

SPECIAL OFFERINGS: The collection for the Thanksgiving Day service and the following Sunday (the 26th) will be for World Renew. The deacons will use the collection to buy gifts from the World Renew catalog.

<u>HANDEL'S 'MESSIAH' COMING</u>: The Lynden Choral Society will present its annual performances of G.F. Handel's "Messiah" on Dec. 1 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 2 at 2 p.m. The performances will be held at the American Reformed Church, 8868 Northwood Road, Lynden. Admission is by donation. For more information, contact anmhook@frontier.com.

Servants for Sunday, November 19th

Greeters: Ida & David E-Street Taxi: Cain
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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Mon.: Closed

Tues., Wed., Fri.: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Thursday: noon - 3 p.m.



BULLETIN DEADLINE

All bulletin items are due on Thursdays at noon.



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