

change through the generosity of our community by their donations. Currently, they are working on raising money to build a new shelter that better fits the needs of the influx of animals they have.

Children's Christmas Program – Practice for the children's Christmas program (1st-8th grade) will begin on Sunday, November 9th, and will be held every Sunday after church until the program on December 21st @ 6:00 pm.

Elder/Deacon Nominations – Thank you to everyone who submitted nominations for elder and deacon. The council will be reaching out to those nominated then will announce the 2 members running for Deacon and the 2 members running for Elder.

New Online Giving Option – We are pleased to announce that we will now be utilizing Tithe.ly as an option for online giving. This platform provides a convenient and secure way to contribute to the ongoing ministry of our church. An email was sent out this week with more information on how to use this service. You can also scan the QR code below to give digitally.



***Upcoming Dates to Remember:**

Pulpit Supply – For the remaining weeks of October, Pastor Donald Draayer will lead our Sunday morning worship services. The council is currently working on the November pulpit supply schedule.

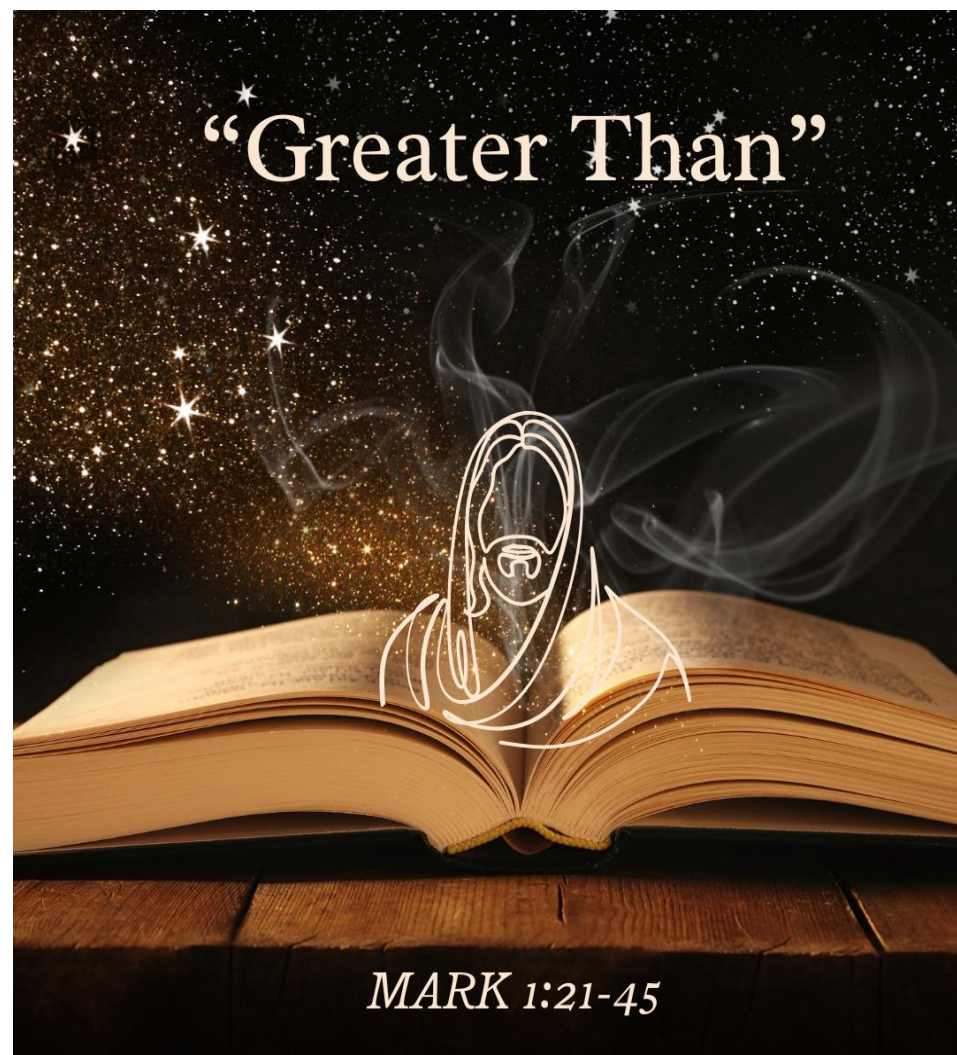
Celebration of Communion – Our monthly celebration of communion will be on Sunday, October 19th. For the month of November, it will be November 16th. Cindy Offringa will be here both Sundays to bless us with music ministries.

Thanksgiving Break Dates – The week of Thanksgiving break we will not have any education classes. Instead, you are invited to join us for a special Thanksgiving service on Wednesday, the 26th at 6:00pm. We will be taking a special offering to support our benevolence fund.

***Prayer Requests:**

- Our Resonate Global missionary family, the Sytsma's, who are in Uganda.
- For Stephenville Christian Academy and all other schools in our area. For the health and safety of the faculty and students this fall.
- For Frank Kalsbeek's sister Joni Rollema, whose scans came back showing no more signs of cancer. She does have surgery coming up, so prayers for that.
- For Joy Osinga who was accepted to be on the kidney transplant list. Prayers as she waits for a matching donor.
- Continued prayers for Brady Miller as he receives more rounds of proton therapy/radiation which has been hard on him.
- For Judy Hartwell, Pastor Hartwell's wife who recently had more rounds of chemo treatments to shrink some cancerous spots found recently in her abdomen. She will meet with doctors in October to determine whether more aggressive treatment is necessary or if surgery will be needed to remove the tumors.
- For Darius Nelson's mother, Marilyn Smith, who is starting chemo treatments for her cervical cancer.
- Continued prayers for Macee as she battles health issues.

Stephenville Christian Reformed Church



Pastor Todd Hilkemann
October 12, 2025

Sunday Morning Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:

Reader: “The Lord has promised to be our God and the God of our children. His covenant stands forever, and His mercy reaches to all generations.”

Congregation: We rejoice in His faithfulness and praise Him for His steadfast love!”

Reader: “Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness; come into His presence with singing.”

Congregation: “We will give thanks to the Lord, sing praises to His name, and worship Him in spirit and in truth.”

Reader: “Lift up your hearts and voices to the Lord. Let the assembly of God’s people proclaim His greatness and rejoice in His salvation.”

Congregation: “Blessed be the Lord, for He is good! His steadfast love endures forever!”

Prayer

*God’s Greeting/Mutual Greeting

*Opening Songs: “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

“In Christ Alone”

Monthly Capital Campaign Speaker: Serena Wright, ECHS Director

Offering: General Fund & Stephenville Christian Academy

Children’s Message

Congregational Prayer

Message: "Greater Than"

Scripture: Mark 1:21-45

*Song of Response: “Holy Spirit Living Breath of God”

*God’s Blessing

*Song: “Bless the Lord”

Stephenville Christian Reformed Church News



Welcome to our fellowship, where we are gathered together as friends and family to worship and praise our God. If you are visiting with us, we are glad that you are here! Today, we welcome back Pastor Todd Hilkemann to lead our morning worship. Following morning worship, please join us for a time of fellowship with coffee & cookies. At 11:45 we have Sunday school classes for PreK to high school.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday 10:30am Morning Worship

11:45am Sunday School

Wednesday 6:00pm Wednesday Family Night

Thursday 9:30am Ladies Coffee Break

Offering Schedule

October 12: General Fund & Stephenville Christian Academy

October 19: General Fund

October 26: General Fund & Erath County Humane Society

November 2: General Fund

Wednesday Cooking

October 15: Janelle Thiebaud

October 22: Heidi Velsen

October 29: CoriAnn Kalsbeek

November 5: Desiree Stoker

Sound Booth

October 12: Justice & Dillinger

October 19: Kaleb & James

October 26: Honor & Ryland

November 2: Justice & Shaun

Nursery Duty

October 12: Heidi & Henry

October 19: Lynn & Alex

October 26: Shawna & Kinsley

November 2: GeriAnn & Kylar

Sunday Cookie Duty

October 12: Rita Huisman

October 19: Shawna DeBoer

October 26: Margreet Osinga

November 2: Annemarie Werkman

*News/Reminders:

Monthly Capital Campaign – The October capital campaign is for the Erath County Humane Society. ECHS is an independent non-profit corporation that is a low-kill facility, euthanizing only sick or excessively aggressive animals when absolutely necessary. They do not impose time limits for healthy, non-aggressive animals to remain at the shelter and do not euthanize animals to create space in the shelter. While they receive a small allotment from the City of Stephenville and Erath county, they are primarily funded by private donations. They can only affect