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SERMON NOTES

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September 8, 2019

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Michael Weller

**Come, People of the Risen King*

**Look and See*

Greeting

Prayer

**This I Believe (The Creed) [9:00am only]*

Baptism [10:30am only]

Offering

**King of Kings*

Scripture

Ephesians 4:1-15 & 25

Care Wiersma

Message

Reset: Truth Telling

Pastor Rob Peterson

**Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!*

Hymn #350

**Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

Benediction

**Congregational song*

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The **Prayer Team** will be under the cross following the service if you would like to pray.

If you are our **guest** this morning, stop by the Welcome Center and pick up a gift we have for you.

Children's worship resources are available at the back of the Sanctuary by the sound booth.

Open House | Following the first service, children, students and adults are invited to visit their classrooms and meet their leaders.

All-Church Potluck | Join us in the Community Center following worship for good food with great people!



CALENDAR

Sunday 9/8

9:00am • Worship/Nursery
10:00am • Classroom Open Houses
10:30am • Worship/Nursery
11:00am • All-Church Potluck (first seating)
11:45am • All-Church Potluck (second seating)

Monday 9/9

6:30am • Monday Mornings for Men
7:00pm • Men's Small Group
7:30pm • Young Adults Small Group

Tuesday 9/10

Wednesday 9/11

9:30am • Women's Morning Studies
6:30pm • Women's Evening Study
6:30pm • Prayer Gathering

Thursday 9/12

7:00pm • Worship Team Rehearsal

Friday 9/13

6:30am • HS Bible Study (offsite)
6:30am • Men's Small Group
9:30am • WholeFit
7:00pm • Board Game Night

Saturday 9/14

8:30am • Men's Small Group

Sunday 9/15

9:00am • Worship/Nursery/Children's Worship/
Men's Small Group
10:30am • Worship/Nursery/Children's
Classes/MS Huddle/HS Sunday Study/
Adult Formation
6:30pm • HS Huddle

Fall Programming Begins | NEXT Sunday, all of our classes resume their normal schedule:

- 9:00am: Nursery (Birth-3 years); Children's Worship (4s-2nd), Men's Small Group
- 10:30am: Nursery (Birth-3 years); Children's Classes* (4s-5th); MS Huddle* (6th-8th); HS Sunday Study* (9th-12th); Adult Formation
- 6:30pm: HS Huddle

**Please note, these classes do not meet the first Sunday of the month when we encourage families to attend church for all-together worship in the Sanctuary.*

EVENT INFORMATION

- **Board Game Night** | Anyone high school age and older is invited to join us for board game night in the Community Center, Friday, Sept. 13 at 7:00pm led by JB Hunt (huntjedi@gmail.com). Learn more and sign up: thornapple.org/boardgame.
- **Adult Formation** | Be part of an adult group led by a team of teachers studying about our transforming God. join us for a fresh approach to building on our understanding of our faith. The class will meet Sunday mornings at 10:30 with other adults who desire to keep growing, learning and sharing their faith. Classes begin Sept. 15 in the Community Center.
- **New to the Covenant denomination and/or to Thornapple?** We offer a three-part series (Sept. 18/25, Oct. 2; 6:30-8:00pm) called "What is a Covenant Church?" This is a great way to learn about the denomination and church membership (it is also a membership prerequisite). Following the series, there is a membership class on Sunday, Oct. 6 from 4:00-6:00pm. Learn more and register: thornapple.org/covenantchurchclass.
- **Prime Timers' Soup & Study** | Anyone 60 and older is invited to join us Friday, Sept. 20 at 10:00am for Soup & Study with speaker Michael Weller.
- **Horizons' Benvenuto Italian Dinner Night** | Friday, Sept. 20 at 6:30pm in the Community Center - join us for a night of all things Italian. Learn more and sign up: thornapple.org/italian.
- **Sunday Social** | All ages are invited to a hymn sing followed by an ice cream social, Sunday, Sept. 22 at 6:30pm in the Community Center.
- **Thornapple Musical** | Auditions for "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens will be held Sept. 23-24, 6-8pm at Thornapple. The cast calls for 30-35 men, women and children (8 years+) who are also willing to sing. We also need volunteers for costumes, stage, props, lighting and sound committees. Performances will be the evenings of Dec. 6/7 at Thornapple. Contact Terri Riggle (616-307-9473 or riggle.terri@yahoo.com) with questions or to sign up for a committee.
- **Moms on a Mission** | Open to any moms (Thornapple attenders or friends) with school-aged and older children, 2nd and 4th Thursday mornings, resuming Sept. 26. We enjoy brunch, speakers, crafts and local missions projects/ experiences. Learn more and register: thornapple.org/momsonamission.
- **Men's Retreat at Portage Lake** | Join other men from the Great Lakes denomination for a weekend of relaxation, mountain biking, ropes course, chapel, worship and 24-hour bacon station Sept. 27-29. Learn more and register at portagelake.org/mensretreat.
- **12 Below Luncheon** | If you (and your family) have been attending Thornapple for 12 months or less - join us Sunday, Sept. 29 at 11:45am in The Commons. Learn more and sign up: thornapple.org/12below
- **ENGAGE, a workshop for engaged couples** | A new session starts Oct. 1, meeting Tuesday nights in October from 7:00-8:30pm at Mary Free Bed YMCA. Know someone who is engaged? Tell them about this opportunity - learn more and sign up: thornapple.org/engage.
- **Women's Retreat at Portage Lake** | Join other women for a weekend of spiritual uplift, community building and personal retreat. Oct. 4-6. Thornapple Women's Ministry is hosting this year so we'd love to have a big group from our church plan on attending. Learn more and register at portagelake.org/glcwomen.

NEWS

- ♦ **Congratulations** to Matt and Molly DeHoog whose daughter, Mina B is being baptized this morning.
- ♦ **Children's Ministry Volunteers** | We are looking for adults/teens to serve this coming year:
 - Teacher for 3s, shared position (10:30)
 - Three teachers/leaders for 4s/Y5/K, shared (10:30)
 - One greeter (10:30)
 - One 1st/2nd boys small group leader, shared (10:30)
 - One 3rd/4th boys small group leader, shared (10:30)If you are interested and available, contact Lisa Udell (ludell@thornapple.org) to sign up!
- ♦ **Small groups** exist to help people find and follow Jesus. We are better together as we turn our attention to God (up), build friendships with each other (in), and serve (out). To find a group that's the right fit go here and plan on attending the Small Group Celebration on Sept. 29 at 6:30pm in the Community Center (more info coming soon).
- ♦ **MOPS** is looking for seven new teachers for our classrooms (2-3 year olds and 3-4 year olds as well as one gym teacher). Compensation is \$12/hour. We meet every first and third Thursday of the month from 9:00-11:30. Please contact LJ Hatfield (lorajanirwin@gmail.com).
- ♦ **Women's Wednesday Morning Studies** | Join other women for Wednesday morning Bible studies, resuming Sept. 11, with two study options (*The Lamb of God* by Nancy Guthrie [books available at the Welcome Center] and *Spotting the Sacred* by Bruce Main). These groups meet weekly on Wednesday mornings at 9:30am. Learn more and register: thornapple.org/morningstudies.
- ♦ **Men's Small Group Study** | You are invited to join a small group and build community with your brothers in Christ. Starting the week of Sept. 16, we will be studying *The Invisible War* by Chip Ingram. There are four time/day options, all meeting at Thornapple: Sundays at 9am, Mondays at 7pm, Fridays at 6:30am or Saturdays at 8:30am. Learn more and register: thornapple.org/smallgroupmens or in the Lobby today.
- ♦ **Praise & Prayer Email** | Did you know we send out a weekly email sharing the praises and prayers of our church family, our community and the rest of the world? If you are interested in receiving this email, please fill out the form at thornapple.org/contact.

MINISTRY INFORMATION

If you have questions or to learn more about these and other ministries, visit the links listed next to each ministry name or visit our website at thornapple.org.

CHILDREN | thornapple.org/children

- **Nursery** | Birth-3yrs, lower level
- **Visit Your Classroom** | TODAY after first service
- **Sunday classes** | Resume Sept. 15, both services
- **Trailblazers (3rd-5th)** | 1st/3rd Wed., 6:30-8pm (starts Sept. 18)

STUDENTS | thornapple.org/students

- **MS Huddle** | Sundays at 10:30am (starts Sept. 15)
- **HS Sunday Study** | Sundays at 10:30am (starts Sept. 15)
- **HS Huddle** | Sunday evenings, 6:30-8:30pm (starts Sept. 15)
- **HS Bible Study** | 2nd and 4th Friday mornings at 6:30am at Forest Hills Foods' café
- **MS JAM (6th-8th)** | 1st and 3rd Wed., 6:30-8pm (starts Sept. 18)

YOUNG ADULTS | thornapple.org/adults

- **Small Group** | Meeting typically 2nd and 4th Mondays, 7:30-9pm at 6578 Brookhills Ct. SE, Grand Rapids. Contact: Shalini Bennett, shalinibennett@gmail.com or 616-516-9892.

HORIZONS | thornapple.org/adults

- **Italian Dinner** | Sept. 20 at 6:30pm at church

PRIME TIMERS (60+) | thornapple.org/adults

- **Soup & Study** | 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month at 10am (resumes Sept. 20). Program, fellowship and lunch.

WOMEN | thornapple.org/adults

- **WholeFit** | Meets Fridays, 9:30-10:30am
- **MOPS** | Open to moms with at least one preschool-aged child, 1st and 3rd Thursday mornings, resuming Sept. 19.
- **Moms on a Mission** | For moms with school-aged/ older children, 2nd and 4th Thursday mornings, resuming Sept. 26.
- **Women's Morning Studies** | Wednesdays at 9:30am. Learn more and register: thornapple.org/morningstudies.
- **Women's Evening Study** | Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm

MEN | thornapple.org/adults

- **Men's Small Group Studies** | Four time/day options: Sunday at 9am, Monday at 7pm, Friday at 6:30am and Saturday at 8:30am. Learn more and register: thornapple.org/smallgroupmens