

Order of Service – April 4, 2021

Pastoral Greeting

Call to Worship: Psalm 68:32-35 (page 403)

Invocation

* Psalm: 68F

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 128 (page 433)

New Testament Reading: Philippians 4:6-13 (page 818)

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Title & Text: *Difficulty, Conflict, and Blessing* – Genesis 26 (pg. 17)

Pastoral Prayer

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

* Psalm 128B

* Pastoral Blessing

* = **PLEASE STAND IF ABLE**

(Please note that the page numbers for Scripture readings are for the New King James pew Bibles)

➤ This Lord's Day we celebrate the Lord's Supper. If you have not yet been interviewed by Session to take the Lord's Supper or are bringing someone with you who has not been interviewed by the Session, please come early (9:30 am) to meet with the Session.

➤ Our precenter this week is Hannah Goerner – next week's precenter will be Greg Moberg.

➤ We will continue to provide the Zoom link each week for those not comfortable being together inside the church building because of the risk of catching or transmitting COVID-19.

➤ We will not be passing an offering plate. If you will be giving this Lord's Day, please deposit your giving in the prayer request box in the back of the auditorium.

➤ **Eldership training** is this Wednesday, April 7, at 7:00 pm at the church building or by Zoom. We will be starting our Church History course. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate in this – it is for both those interested in possibly becoming ruling elders and for those seeking to understand what an elder is expected to be and do as we consider who should be called to this office in Christ's Church. *(Pastor Somerville will send out the Zoom link.)*

➤ **RP Global Missions Prayer Request** – Please pray for our Reformed Presbyterian Global Missions (RPGM) board as they prepare to send a commission to one of the countries in South Asia, that the travels would be made possible and the way there would be smooth. Pray that the commission will be able to accomplish all that it seeks to get done in the ordaining of elders, the organizing of a congregation, and the establishment of two mission churches. Pray for Pastor EM as he continues to carry a heavy daily load of teaching, writing, and mentoring. He has developed sleep apnea and has recently acquired a c-pap machine. Pray for good nights of sleep and seasons of rest. Pray for the spiritual growth and vitality of the young believers across this country. They struggle with many of the same temptations from the world, the flesh, and the devil, who roars there just as he does in the west! Pray that disciples of Jesus would be faithful and sincere in their worship, in their studies in God's Holy Word, and in their service in the church and in their communities. When Jesus saw the crowds in Galilee "he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd" (Matthew 9:36). Lift up the many million souls in this country, of whom 96% are entranced with the words and traditions of another religion. Pray that they would see the light of Christ and be able to read his wondrous, life-giving Word. "Pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" (Matthew 9:37-38).