

# WELCOME!

## We are glad you have joined us for worship today!

Each week we indicate our presence by completing this form and placing it in the offering basket. If you are visiting today, please sign in and let us know where we can minister to you or how you would like to be involved in our ministries.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

- 1st time guest     Return Guest     Member
- Regular attendee (Non-member)
- Here for special occasion only
- This is a change in my contact information
- I'd like to receive the weekly MDRC E-News

## I HEARD ABOUT THE BRIDGE FROM:

- Driving by     Friend/family
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT:

- Nursery-5th Grade     Small Groups
- Weekday Preschool     Adult Classes
- Jr./Sr. High     Marriage Ministry
- Prayer Ministries     Church Membership
- Worship Arts Ministries     Serving Opportunities

## I WOULD LIKE PRAYER REGARDING:

- This is a personal request to elder/pastoral staff only
- Please follow up with a phone call
- I will pray for others through the email prayer chain

## I WOULD LIKE TO VISIT WITH A PASTOR:

- Becoming a more devoted follower of Christ
- Committing my life to Christ
- A personal issue



MEREDITH DRIVE  
*Reformed Church*

**Meredith Drive**  
5128 Meredith Drive  
Des Moines, IA 50310  
515.276.4901

*Sunday Worship*  
9 AM

**The Bridge**  
10025 NW 62nd Ave.  
Johnston, IA 50131  
515.986.5867

*Sunday Worship*  
10 AM

### For More Information

Visit us at  
[meredithdrive.org](http://meredithdrive.org)

Hearing Enhancements  
Receivers Are Available at  
the Welcome Center.

*Kids Connection classes are dismissed after the intergenerational worship time during the morning worship service. An adult must drop their child off to their assigned classroom and pick them back up at their classroom at the end of class at 11:15 AM.*



**Adventure Club**  
(grades 1 – 3)  
Wednesdays, 6:45-7:45 PM,  
Meredith Drive campus  
**Salt & Light** (grades 4 – 5)  
Wednesdays, 6:45-7:45 PM,  
Meredith Drive campus



**Kids Connection**  
(3 years – 5th grade)  
Sundays, 10:15-11:15 AM  
The Bridge campus



Various classes, studies and small group information can be found at: [meredithdrive.org/adults](http://meredithdrive.org/adults)



**Sunday Morning Fellowship**  
(grades 6 – 12)  
Sundays, 9:00-10:00 AM  
The Bridge campus

**Wednesday Night Alive 68** (grades 6 – 8)  
6:15-7:30 PM  
The Bridge campus  
**912** (grades 9 – 12)  
7:30-9:30 PM  
The Bridge campus



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## GOD'S PEOPLE IN PRAYER

### GIVE THANKS UNTO THE WORLD...

*Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good.  
His love endures forever. Psalm 136*  
**Rich and Nancy Smith**, 57th anniversary

### AND CALL UPON HIS NAME...

*Do not be anxious about anything, but  
in everything by prayer and supplication  
with thanksgiving let your requests be  
made known to God. – Philippians 4:6*

### COMFORT:

**Kris Bekker**, death of her mother.

### HEALING, HEALTH CONCERNS:

Marilyn Clauss, Ed Vander Hijde, Jerry Brown, Steve Clay, Darla Wahl, LuAnn Freund, Johanna Schmitt, Conner Woods, Vivian Holzworth's brother, Stacey Kinsey's niece, Jackson Ver Steeg's sister, Sharon, Tim Howard's mom.

### HOMEBOUND & IN CARE CENTERS:

*(Those who are not able to come to  
worship. Prayers, cards, visits are much  
appreciated.)* Russ Korver, Donna Stuck,  
Mollie Bonestroo, Jennifer Macdonald,  
Harold & Frances Bergman, Steve Clay,  
Benjamin DePenning, Phyllis Hall, Dennis  
and Donna Lillard, Frank Lisbona, Dean  
Veenschoten.

### OUR MILITARY:

Dalton Coady, Neil Conlon, Ben Doudna, Taylor Francis, Mark Vandeventer, Denny & Heidi Puckett's son-in-law, April Beck's nephew, Mollie Bonestroo's grandson, Jeri Caldwell's grandson, Jean Cole's grandson, Ken & Janie Van Den Berg's grandson, Sheryl Van Weelden's grandson.  
*(Please update us on any changes in the service of your loved ones.  
Please contact the church office,  
(515) 276-4901, or  
[bethdraheim@meredithdrive.org](mailto:bethdraheim@meredithdrive.org).)*

### NEED PRAYER DURING THE WEEK?

Prayer requests are emailed to over 300 people within MDRC who pray during the week. To submit your requests, or to receive email prayer requests & pray for others, please contact the church office, (515) 276-4901, or [bethdraheim@meredithdrive.org](mailto:bethdraheim@meredithdrive.org).

- Prayer elders are available to pray for you Tuesdays, 7:30-9 AM at Meredith Drive. You are welcome to join them in prayer. Come and go as needed.



April 14

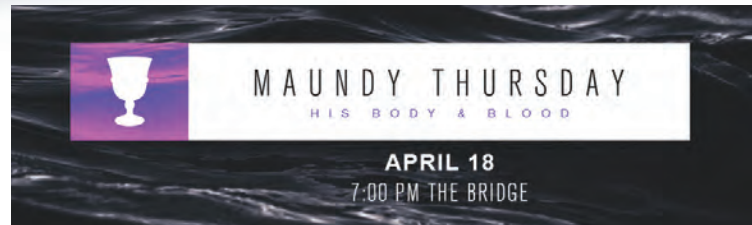
Pastor Jonny Craig  
Luke 17:28-41

# Welcome

**We are so glad you chose to worship with us today!!**

Meredith Drive Reformed Church is a community of Christ followers who believe that lives are forever changed through a relationship with a loving God.

If this is your first visit, we look forward to meeting you and getting to know you better. Please be sure to sign in on the Bulletin stub and leave your contact information so we can call or e-mail to welcome you!



### Easter Lily Donations

The Easter lily retells the resurrection story with its life cycle; symbolizing a new season, new birth, new life in Christ. If you would like to donate a white lily for our Easter worship, please mark the *Bulletin* stub and deliver it during Holy Week to the campus where you worship. Put a small card with your name in the container and you may take it home after the 10:00 AM worship as a continued reminder of the Easter Promise.

### Earth Day Neighborhood Walk

Mon., Apr. 22, 5:30-7:00 PM, meet at the Meredith Drive campus. Join some of the members of Branches as we care for our neighborhood and creation by walking in small groups through our neighborhood for Earth Day. As we go, we will pick up any trash that we see and pay attention to the beauty of creation in the neighborhood around Meredith Drive.

### Tiny Tot Triathlon

Sun., Apr. 28, 1:00 PM, Johnston Fire Dept., parking available at The Bridge. Calling all Tiny Tots! The first annual Tiny Tot Triathlon will be held at the Johnston Fire Station. Kids in grades K-6 will participate in a run (choose your distance when you check-in), a fireman's crawl and finish with a mini Polar Plunge - all to support Special Olympics Iowa! For complete details or to register please visit [www.classy.org/campaign/tiny-tot-triathlon/c219765](http://www.classy.org/campaign/tiny-tot-triathlon/c219765).

## PLACES TO CONNECT & GROW



### Easter Treasure Hunt and Pancake Breakfast

Sat., Apr. 20, 8:30 - 11:30 AM, The Bridge campus. **Many more volunteers are needed** to support the upcoming Easter Treasure Hunt and Pancake Breakfast. Please sign up to volunteer at [meredithdrive.org/easterhunt](http://meredithdrive.org/easterhunt), on our app, or mark the *Bulletin* stub.

### Mental Health and Faith Conversation

Sat., May 11, 8:30-10:30 AM, Meredith Drive campus, Loft. Mental health has become an increasingly prevalent and important topic of conversation in society. It is important that as a church we learn more about how to talk about mental health, to care well for each other on our mental health journeys, and to expand our understanding of how God is inviting us to engage with him through our different experiences. Licensed counselors, Margo Hanson and Tiffany Schupanitz, will give us tools to talk about mental health in church, help us understand and care for people with specific diagnoses, and answer questions about mental health. Please sign up online through the E-news link or on the *Bulletin* stub.

### Honduras Mission Trip 2019

Join us Sept. 20-27! We will be spreading God's love to the people of Honduras by hosting medical clinics, building houses, laying concrete floors, playing with the kids at MDM Honduras, and delivering food baskets to families in the villages. You do not need a medical background; all are welcome! For more info, contact Monica Simpson at [simpsonm8@gmail.com](mailto:simpsonm8@gmail.com).

### Aspire Women's Event

Fri., May 3, 7:00 PM, Ankeny First United Methodist Church - Uptown, Christian Life Center, 710 NE 36th St., Ankeny. Interested in a great night out with speakers, worship, and fellowship? We hope to gather a group of women from MDRC to carpool to the event. Contact Tara Johnson, [tarajo2327@gmail.com](mailto:tarajo2327@gmail.com) for details. Deadline to sign up for a group rate is April 22. More information about the event is at [aspirewomensevents.com/ankeny-ia/](http://aspirewomensevents.com/ankeny-ia/).

### Pillars Outing

Wed., Apr. 17, Buzzard Billy's and Iowa Hall of Pride. The church van will leave the MDRC campus at 11:15 AM and we will head to Buzzard Billy's, 615 3rd St., Des Moines, for lunch. Meet us there if you'd prefer. After lunch, we will head across the street for a 1:00 PM tour of The Iowa Hall of Pride. Cost for the tour is \$7 for seniors or FREE with a Farm Bureau Membership card. To RSVP, contact Terry or Jan Christensen at (515) 965-3278 or mark the *Bulletin* stub.

### News From The Meredith Drive Preschool

For nearly 20 years, Lori Belknap has provided extraordinary leadership to the Meredith Drive Preschool as its Director. Under her tenure, hundreds of children have been nurtured in their social, emotional, physical, intellectual, and spiritual growth. In June, Lori will be retiring from the preschool. We are deeply grateful for her ministry. With excitement we also announce that Tara Hartman will become the new Director. Tara has been a Lead Teacher and Assistant Director with the Preschool for the last seven years. Please join us in expressions of support and appreciation for both of these preschool leaders.

### Blood Pressure Checks Today!

Take advantage of this free service provided by the MDRC Care Ministry. Stop in across from the offices at the Meredith Drive campus or at the nurse's table at The Bridge campus to have your blood pressure checked.



### GIVING JUST GOT EASIER!

Text **MDRCBRIDGE to 77977** and you will receive a link to our custom giving site.

## OPPORTUNITY SIGN UP

- I will volunteer to help at the Easter Treasure Hunt.
- I will donate #\_\_\_\_\_ Easter lilies.
- I will be attending the Pillars Event (Please mark preference below).
  - \_\_\_\_\_ I will ride the van.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ I will drive myself, eat lunch, and do the tour.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ I will drive & eat at Buzzard Billy's only.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ I will drive & do the tour at The Iowa Hall of Pride only.
- I will attend the Mental Health and Faith Conversation on Sat., May 11.
- I will volunteer to help with the Summer Lunch Program or would like more information.



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### LEADERSHIP TEAM

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