

January 25, 2026

Morning Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Pastor Elshout

Votum and Salutation*

Psalter 336:1, 2*

Reading of the Law: Deuteronomy 5:1–24

Psalter 428:10

Scripture: Luke 10:21–37

Pastoral Prayer

Psalter 300:1, 9, 11*

Sermon Text: Luke 10:25–37

Sermon Theme: The Parable of the Good Samaritan

1) Prompted by a remarkable dialogue—its occasion

2) Unveils the essence of the law—its message

3) Exposes the heart of the lawyer—its purpose

Prayer

Psalter 24:1–3*

Benediction*

Doxology: Psalter 412*

** Please stand as you are able*

Family Sermon Discussion Questions—Luke 10:25–37 (AM Service)

1. Why is the question posed by the lawyer address a matter of profound importance?
2. Why did Jesus answer his question with a question?
3. Why did Jesus affirm his answer by saying, “This do, and thou shalt live”?
- 4.* What does verse 29 teach us about our fallen human nature?
5. What was Jesus’s intent in telling this parable?
6. Why was this parable so confrontational to the lawyer who asked the question?
- 7.* In answering Jesus’s question in verse 37, why did the lawyer avoid using the word “Samaritan”?
8. How did Jesus expose the lawyer as a sinner who needed a Savior?

Question for Self-reflection

- # Why do we need to understand experientially that even our “righteousnesses” are in God’s sight as filthy rags Isa. 64:6)?

* Questions for younger children

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Evening Worship – 6:00 p.m.

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Votum and Salutation*

Psalter 257: All*

Scripture: Genesis 1:24-31; 3: All

Confession: Canons of Dordt, Head 2, Art. 1–4 (pp. 103–104)

Psalter 131:1, 4

Pastoral Prayer

Psalter 15: All*

Sermon text: Hosea 6:7 (Belg. Conf., Art. 14)

Sermon Theme: The Fall of God's Image-bearer

1. Man's marvelous creation

2. Man's brazen rebellion

3. Man's radical depravity

Prayer

Psalter 23:1–4, 6*

Benediction*

Doxology: Psalter 413

** Please stand as you are able*

Family Sermon Discussion Questions—Belg. Conf., Art. 14 (PM Service)

1*. How was God's creation of man completely different from everything else He created?

2. What connection is there between Adam being God's son and God's eternal and only-begotten Son?

3. How did God equip man to serve Him, and thus find his life in the God who created him?

4. Why did Satan use Eve to get to Adam?

5*. How was Adam & Eve's eating of the forbidden fruit a transgression of the entire law (= love God & your neighbor)?

6. Why was death the fitting punishment for Adam's breach of his covenant relationship with God?

7. Why does spiritual death produce the stench of radical depravity?

8. What does the Belgic Confession mean when it says that man has "only retained a few remains" of God's excellent gifts?

Question for Self-reflection

What is meant by the statement that radical sinners need a radical Savior?

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We welcome the congregation and all visitors, to hear the Word of God.

Prayer Requests and Thanksgiving

- A spiritual awakening in our nation.
- Our persecuted brothers and sisters.
- Expecting mothers and those desiring children.
- For such struggling with disappointments and afflictions.
- PRTS, PCS, GCA and our Home-Schooling students.
- Against the national sin of abortion
- For peace in the Ukraine, Middle East and South America.

Providence Youth Group is having an ice-skating event at Rosa Park Circle on January 30 at 7:00 PM. We are planning on going to John Boerkoel's house afterward for snacks and games.

The Young adults would like to invite the youth group to a night of volleyball on Tuesday February 3 at 7:00 p.m. at Providence Christian School.

All ladies and their daughters are invited to the bridal shower for Victoria Damon in the Fellowship Hall from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on January 30. Please RSVP Kara Damon at (517) 668-5103

Dates & Events D.V.

Jan 29 Women Prayer meeting at Liz DeVries' (T) home at 8:00 p.m.

Jan 30 Victoria Damon bridal shower at 7:00 p.m.

Feb 1 Young adult book study after the evening service

Humility is lowliness of mind, the opposite of pride and arrogance. It belongs to the essence of experimental religion. It is the peculiar grace of Christians, the parent and nurse of other graces, that preserves in us the light of faith and the heat of love; that procures modesty in prosperity and patience in adversity; that is the root of gratitude and obedience, and is so lovely in God's eyes, that *'He giveth grace to the humble.'* True humility is an inward grace based on a view of our own guilt, weakness, ignorance, vileness, and poverty, as compared with the infinite excellence and glory of God. It is one of the most lovely of all the traits of a child of God...Its aim is not to be thought humble, but to be humble.

~ *William Plumer*

If we then consider ourselves as the followers of the meek and lowly and crucified Jesus, we shall walk humbly before God and man all the days of our life on earth no God. Confess your nothingness and ill desert before him. Know God--Distrust yourself-- Rely only on Christ-- Renounce all glory except for Him. Yield yourself heartily to His will and service. Humility is the most essential and distinguishing trait in all true piety! Earnestly seek then and diligently and prayerfully cherish a humble spirit -- and God shall walk with you here below and soon *'shall present you before His glorious presence without fault and with great joy'*

~ *Jonathan Edwards*

Nursery

Jan 25 a.m.	Infants	Nicole DeVries
	Toddlers	Holli Blok, Serena DeVries
Jan 25 p.m.	Infants	Florina DeVries
	Toddlers	Hailey DeVries, Macy VanDyke
Feb 1 a.m.	Infants:	Jamie Marcus
	Toddlers	Cali VanDyke, Naomi Vergunst
Feb 1 p.m.	Infants	Rachelle Timmermans
	Toddlers	Kaarli Kleppe, Natalie Dingemans

Greeters

Morning

Evening

Jan 25	Joseph V	Tim N
Febr 1	Bryan K	Jared S
Febr 8	Tom V	Bill T

Collections

The Education Fund will be collected each Lord's Day.

Jan 25: General Febr 1: Discretionary: Dan Schipper

Feb 8: General

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*The LORD hear thee in the day of trouble: the name of the God
of Jacob defend thee; Send thee help from the sanctuary. And
strengthen thee out of Zion*

~ Psalm 20:1 & 2