**Noordeloos Christian Reformed Church**

February 7, 2021—9:30 AM

**Entering God’s Presence**

Prelude

Welcome

\*Call to Worship—Acts 2:17-21

\*The Lord’s Greeting

\* Songs—*God Is For Us*

 *Psalm 150*

**Renewing our Relationship**

Call to Holiness—Heidelberg Catechism, Lord’s Day 2-6

Song—PH 260 vs. 1, 2—*Not What My Hands Have Done*

**Offering Our Prayers and Gifts**

Congregational Prayer

Offering for the General Fund

\*Song—*By Faith*

**Hearing the Word of the Lord**

Scripture: Obadiah

Message: ***A Major Message From A Minor Prophet***

Prayer of Application

\*Song—HWC 295 vs. 1, 2, 4—*Revive Us Again*

**Leaving with God’s Peace**

\*The Lord’s Blessing

\*Doxology—W*e Receive Your Blessing*

Postlude

**Worship Participants**

Worship Leader: Pastor Brady Mulder

Piano: Kim Vanden Heuvel

Praise Team: Konni Bosman, Steve Gerritsma, Sarah Mokma

\* Please stand if you are able

**Morning Message—February 7, 2021**

Pastor Brady Mulder

***A Major Message From A Minor Prophet***

Obadiah

I. Edom’s Pride vs 1-9

II. Edom’s Unbrotherliness vs 10-14

III. Hope For Those In Zion vs 15-21

Heidelberg Catechism—Lord’s Day 2-6

Question & Answers 3, 4, 9, 12, 13, 15, 18

**Pastor: How do you come to know your misery?**

Congregation: The law of God tells me

**Pastor: What does God’s law require of us?**

Congregation: Christ teaches us this in summary in [Matthew 22:37-40](http://bible.oremus.org/?passage=Matthew%2022:37-40&version=nrsv): ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

**Pastor: Can you live up to all this perfectly?**

Congregation: No. I have a natural tendency to hate God and my neighbor.

**Pastor: But doesn’t God do us an injustice by requiring in His law what we are unable to do?**

Congregation: No, God created human beings with the ability to keep the law. They, however, provoked by the devil, in willful disobedience, robbed themselves and all their descendants of these gifts.

**Pastor: Does God permit such disobedience and rebellion to go unpunished?**

Congregation: Certainly not. God is terribly angry with the sin we are born with as well as the sins we personally commit. As a just judge, God will punish them both now and in eternity, having declared: “Cursed is everyone who does not observe and obey all the things written in the book of the law.”

**Pastor: According to God’s righteous judgment we deserve punishment both now and in eternity: how then can we escape this punishment and return to God’s favor?**

Congregation: God requires that His justice be satisfied. Therefore, the claims of this justice must be paid in full, either by ourselves or by another.

**Pastor: Can we make this payment ourselves?**

Congregation: Certainly not. Actually, we increase our debt every day.

**Pastor: What kind of mediator and deliverer should we look for then?**

Congregation: One who is a true and righteous human, yet more powerful than all creatures, that is, one who is also true God.

**Pastor: Then who is this mediator—true God and at the same time a true and righteous human?**

Congregation: Our Lord Jesus Christ, who was given to us to completely deliver us and make us right with God.

**Pastor: How do you come to know this?**

Congregation: The holy Gospel tells me. God Himself began to reveal the Gospel already in Paradise; later, He proclaimed it by the holy patriarchs and prophets, and portrayed it by the sacrifices and other ceremonies of the law; finally, He fulfilled it through His own dear Son.