

Second Christian Reformed Church

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Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, from 8 am until noon

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Bulletin deadline Wednesday, 9 am

If you **need to contact Kaylene** please call the church office during office hours or send an email and she will get back to you as soon as she can. Thank you!

Our offering this evening for the **General Fund** can be placed in the offering box in the lobby or by giving online at secondlyndencrc.com & clicking on **GIVE NOW** at the bottom of the page or by using the QR Code.



Our services are being livestreamed! If you have a friend or family member who can't be here in person but would like to watch the service, you can point your phone's camera at the QR code & click the link, or you can find a link to our YouTube page on our church website at secondlyndencrc.com.



October 25, 2026 • 6 pm • Pastor Ben deRegt

Call to Worship: Psalm 66: 1-4

Majesty (Brown Hymnal 74)

My Tribute – Refrain only (Brown Hymnal 11)

God's Greeting

Prayer of Adoration: Based on Psalm 66: 5-9

Come, All Ye People, Bless our God (Blue Hymnal 120:1-4)

Call to Confession: Psalm 66: 10-12

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 66: 13-20,

There is a Redeemer (Brown Hymnal 206)

Evening Prayers: Elder Tyler

Scripture: Revelation 2:8-11 (page 1914)

Sermon: Fearless and Faithful in Affliction

When Peace Like a River (Brown Hymnal 493)

Benediction

Threefold Amen (Brown Hymnal 628 IV)

Fearless and Faithful in Affliction

Revelation 2:8-11

The Church in Smyrna is afflicted (vv. 8-10)

The city of Smyrna...

The church in Smyrna...

To be FEARLESS and FAITHFUL in AFFLICTION trust that

Jesus is not _____ (vv. 8, 9-10).

Affliction is neither _____ nor _____ (v. 10).

Death is not _____ (vv. 8, 11).

Share What You've Learned with Someone Else.

1. What were some of the afflictions the Christians in Smyrna faced? How does knowing that Jesus sees your suffering, your faithfulness, and what lies ahead encourage you in your own afflictions?
2. Why would Jesus introduce Himself this way to a suffering church? How does knowing that He is sovereign over all things change the way you face an uncertain future?
3. What purposes might God accomplish through the afflictions we experience? How does knowing that our suffering has an expiration date help us persevere?
4. What does Jesus mean when He promises that those who overcome will not be hurt by the "second death"? How should this promise change the way we think about suffering, dying, and living today?
5. Where are you most tempted to compromise your faith to avoid criticism, rejection, or suffering? How can the example of Smyrna and the promises of Jesus encourage you to remain faithful, whatever the cost?