

January 14, 2023

Morning Worship

GATHER

Welcome and Call to Worship

*Song: **Holy God, We Praise Your Name vs 1, 2, 4**

*God's Greeting

*Song: **Behold Our God vs 1, 2, 3**

RENEWAL

Scripture Memory: Psalm 23: 1-3

Prayer of Confession

Offering

Song/Offertory: **Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God vs 1-3**

Ministry Update: Pop! Ministries

Welcome New Members: Jim & Donna Van Hill

Congregational Prayer

[Children ages 2-4 are invited to Children's' Worship]

WORD

*Song: **Here I Am, Lord vs 1, 2, 3**

Series: Directionally Challenged

Scripture: *Proverbs 2: 1-8*

Message: **Compass Points**

Prayer

SENT

*Benediction

*Song: **God of Grace and God of Glory vs 1, 4**

*Postlude

Pastor Dave

Accompanist: Emily VandeGriend

Ministry Update: Dave Hekstra

Scripture Reader: Mark Byker

Welcome!

*If you have a prayer request or you would like to know more about us, please fill out the Welcome Card and place in one of the Connection boxes as you leave the sanctuary.
To view our services online go to: firstchurchdudsonville.org and click the link at the top of the page.*

THIS SUNDAY:

AM: Proverbs 2: 1-8 Series: Directionally Challenged Message: **Compass Points**
In our message this morning we will continue to explore how to discern God's will in the decisions and choices of life. Offering: Capital Improvement

PM: Genesis 5: 1-2 Series: Sound Doctrine: Understanding and Living What We Believe Message: **Male and Female He Created Them** We will be learning what the Bible has to say about humanity, specifically, the Bible's teaching on gender. Offering: Degage

NEXT WEEK: Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

AM: Luke 15: 1-7 Series: Directionally Challenged Message: **Lost Sheep** Many of us know the experience of taking a wrong turn, making a bad decision, or getting hopelessly lost. In this final message of this series, we'll consider how we respond in those moments, and how God responds. Offering: Right to Life Educational Fund

PM: Ezekiel 37 Series: Sound Doctrine: Understanding and Living What We Believe Message: **What's Wrong with You?** The brokenness in the world, and in us, is painfully obvious. What can we know about the reasons and the remedy for that brokenness? Next Sunday evening we'll explore the biblical answers to those questions. Offering: Degage

THIS WEEK:

- **Sunday School and Catechism** meets after morning service.
- **Adult Sunday Education** meets after morning service.
- **Pop! Jr High**, after evening worship, 6:00PM
- **Admin Council**, Monday, January 15, 7:00PM
- **Ladies Bible Study**, Tuesday, January 16, 7:00PM
- **Cadets, GEMS**, Wednesday, January 17, 6:30PM
- **Euchre Game Night**, Saturday, January 20, 6:30PM

Evening offerings for the month of **January** will go to Degage.
Offerings will be collected by the Deacons during the singing of the Offertory.

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CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council has decided that we will begin collecting our offerings by passing the collection plates during both services.

Sunday Adult Education on the book of 1 Peter - Sunday mornings, 11 a.m., in the Upstairs Fellowship room. Everyone is welcome. No books or pre-reading; just show up! Leader: Pastor Marc VanBerkum

Are you 20-35 years old? We are trying to start a young adult group for both singles and married couples and are looking for people to join and or help start it up! There will be a meeting on January 7 after the morning service in Pastor Dave's office to help get ideas and kick start this opportunity! If you have any ideas of what you would like to see in a young adult group or would like to help start it please come to this meeting or contact Alyssa Horstman at (616) 581-0544.

South Elementary Support - We will, again, be collecting snacks for South Elementary students. Please purchase individually wrapped items (granola bars, small bags of pretzels/cookies/crackers, fruit and grain bars, cracker and cheese packs) and place them in the labeled tote in the foyer. Contact Cheri Huisman with questions.

YOUNG AT HEART: Join us for breakfast on Wednesday, January 17 at 9:30 at Arrows in Hudsonville. Please sign up at the Welcome Center.

Euchre Game Night - The next Euchre game night is Saturday, January 20th at 6:30 in the church basement. Come join us for a night of fun, fellowship and card games. Please bring a dish or snack to share. Sign up sheet is in the welcome center.

January Missionary Highlight: Kevin and Sue Prins, *Excelling Leaders*

- Pray for Kevin and Sue as they work to encourage and equip missionaries and their families.
- Pray for the two Radiant Life Retreats that the Prins' will be hosting this year.

FIRST CRC/PINE REST PARTNERSHIP Free Teletherapy for You & Your Family

First CRC provides free teletherapy to you and your household members. Whatever your struggle, be sure to use this resource so that you or any household member can recover as quickly as possible. There is no co-pay or out-of-pocket cost; simply call 800.442.0809 (press 1) or send an email to eap@pinerest.org.

Nursery: The Nursery is open for morning services.

This Week: Becca Williams, Jo Victory, Cora Hoezee

Next Sunday: Tammy Schnyders, Kelly Hoezee, Emery Brouwer

Ushers for January:

AM: Jeremy Matthyse, Ron Moelker, Mike Krikke, Tony Cadahia

PM: Eric Laansma, Andrew Power, Ray Ponstein

Coffee Server: This Week: Ann Sterk

Next Week: Judi Woodwyk

PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

We joyfully welcome **Jim and Donna VanHill** into the fellowship of First CRC! Their address is 3920 Prairie St SW, Grandville, MI 49418. Jim's cell number is (616) 293-4045. Donna's cell number is (616) 262-3664.

Concerns and Praises:

- We extend our Christian sympathy to the **Persenaire family** as they mourn the loss of **Adrian Persenaire** last Monday. Remember in prayer **Delia Persenaire, Jeff & Kim Persenaire, Joe & Jenna Persenaire, Brett & Sarah DeVries, and Ben Persenaire.**
Shut-ins: Sharon Walters, Dan Bloem, Andy Machiela, and Bob/Marie Heyboer.

If you have any needs or prayer requests, please contact your Care Group Elder/Deacon or Pastor Dave.

Our Prayer Coordinator, Tammy Schnyders, produces a monthly prayer sheet, "Partners in Prayer", sends out prayer emails, and regularly updates the Praise and Prayer Line [669.5548]. If you have a prayer need contact Pastor Dave, your Care Group Elder, or Tammy Schnyders.

Dear church family, I would like to thank all of you who have visited me, for the many phone calls and cards I have received through the year and the goodies I received during the Christmas Season. Praise God from Whom all Blessing Flow! Thank-you **Elmer Hoffman**

FROM THE DENOMINATION

Kids Corner: God's Love Brings People Together - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. This week, we remember the work of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a preacher who followed the example of Christ and brought all kinds of people together. This week's devotion and parent blog gives instructions for a science experiment with an emulsifier, some oil, and water. How can this experiment be compared to the power of God's love? Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's The Bible in One Year Plan.

COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

Hudsonville Christian School invites you to their Early Childhood Exploration Open House on Thursday, January 25. You will have an opportunity to hear about the Early Childhood programs we offer, visit classrooms, meet the teachers, and hear about how God is at work at HCS. This is a parent only event that will begin in the East Elementary Gym at 6:30 PM. Enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year will begin that night. Visit www.hudsonvillechristian.org for more information.

Zion Christian is still looking for a girls varsity soccer coach. Additionally, we need a boys JV and boys middle school coach for next fall. Anyone interested please contact Joel Bont (jbont@zionchristian.net) or fill out an application (<https://zionchristian.net/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Coach-Application.pdf>).

FROM LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

Bilingual Volunteer Needed as Teacher/Liaison The Life Skills Program at Love Your Neighbor is a highly effective program for transforming the lives of families and individuals who are eagerly trying to overcome financial difficulties. To allow more community members into the program, we are seeking a bilingual (Spanish/English) speaking individual who can teach an 8-week, financial literacy class and walk along with a Spanish-speaking family as they navigate through the program.

- Monday nights for two hours, for 8 weeks, starting January 8, 2024.
- Class materials are provided and available in Spanish and English
- The location will be the Pinewood Elementary School in Jenison For more information, please contact Brian or Emile at 616-662-3300 or email brianh@lovewm.org

January 14, 2023 - Evening Worship

GATHER

Prelude

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*Song: **Give Glory to God All You Heavenly Creatures vs 1, 2, 5**

*God's Greeting

*Song: **By Faith vs 1-5**

PRAYER

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Offering

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*Song: **In Our Lives Lord, Be Glorified vs 1-4**

*Postlude and Christian Fellowship

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