Morning Worship

GATHER

Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 100

*Song: Halle, Hallelujah vs 1-3

*God's Greeting

*Song: King of Kings vs 1-4

RENEWAL

Call to Confession: Mark 10:45

Song: **He Is Lord**

The Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness: Ezekiel 34: 11-14,22-24

Assurance of Pardon

Mission Impact: Safe Families

[Children ages 2-4 are invited to Children's Worship] *Song: Meekness and Majesty vs 1 & 3

WORD

Scripture: *Ephesians 1: 15-23*Message: *Jesus is King*Prayer

SENT

*Benediction

*Song: Joy to the World vs 2 & 4

*Postlude and Christian Fellowship

Pastor Dave Scripture Reader: Jeff Horstman

Accompanist: Emily Vande Griend

*Congregation stands if able

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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: firstcrchudsonville.org and click the link at the top of the page.

THIS SUNDAY:

AM: Ephesians 1: 15-23 Message: *Jesus Is King!* The season of Advent and Christmas is just around the corner. Next week we will be reminded that Christmas is about much more than a baby in a manger – it is about a sovereign Christ who came to be Prince of Peace.

Offering: Upward Bound

PM: Acts 2: 14-28 Series: Sound Doctrine: Understanding and Living What We Believe Message: **Signs and Wonders** Do you believe in miracles? Is talk of "signs and wonders" a relic of primitive thinking? Are miracles possible and have they ever happened? Next Sunday evening we'll open God's Word and explore these questions together.

Offering: First CRC Safe Families

NEXT WEEK:

AM: 1 Peter 1: 3-5 Series: *The Gifts of Christmas* **Message:** *Hope* This Advent season, join us for a transformative journey as we experience "The Gifts of Christmas." Beyond the twinkling lights and festive decorations, we will explore the profound gifts that we are given in Christ.

Offering: Faith Promise

PM: Ephesians 6: 10-18 Series: Sound Doctrine: Understanding and Living What We Believe Message: **Supernatural** In Ephesians 6, the Apostle Paul provides insight into the reality of supernatural, the spiritual warfare that surrounds us, and the key to tapping into supernatural strength—the Armor of God. Offering: Starlight Ministries

THIS WEEK:

- Sunday School and Catechism after morning worship.
- Sunday Adult Education after morning worship.
- Men's Prayer Group Tuesday, November 28, 7:00PM
- Young at Heart Luncheon Wednesday, November 29, 11:30AM
- Cadets Fun Night Wednesday, November 29, 6:30PM
- Cadets Pancake Breakfast Saturday, December 2, 8-11AM @ Immanuel CRC

Evening offerings for the month of **November** will go to First CRC Safe Families. Evening offerings for the month of **December** will go to Starlight Ministries. Offerings may be placed in the boxes located at the sanctuary entrances.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Security Team Volunteers needed - The security team needs a few more members to assist during worship services. If you would like to be involved with the security of our facility, please contact Jeff Horstman or Dave Williams. Training will be available on December 13 & 20.

Young at Heart Fall Luncheon - Please join us on Wednesday, November 29th at 11:30 in the church narthex. A hot meal will be served and Heritage Christian School 2nd grade students will present a program at 12:30 in the sanctuary. Please bring a canned good or donation for Jehovah Jireh. All newcomers are welcome including visitors!

GEMS Poinsettia Pick Up - GEMS poinsettia orders have arrived! Pick up today!

Cadet Pancake Breakfast - Come join us at Immanuel CRC for a Cadet Pancake Breakfast on December 2nd, 8:00 am to 11:00 am. This will be a fundraiser for the boys. We hope to see you all there. Thanks.

Our missionaries, Tim & Angie Sliedrecht, are working with International Friendships, a ministry that provides life-changing hospitality and friendship to international students at local universities/colleges. Many of these students come from warmer climates than Michigan and are in need of winter clothes. Would you help us show them the love of Jesus by donating new or gently used warm winter coats, hats, gloves, and/or boots? You can drop them off in the labeled box in the foyer until December 3.

Photos needed - Our church website is in the process of being upgraded to a newer version. If you are a leader of a group, please take a photo of your group and email them to info@firstcrchudsonville.org. Contact Cheri Huisman with questions.

Continue to pray for Persecuted Christians: As November draws to a close and the holiday season begins, we should continue to remember in prayer our fellow Christians who suffer persecution. North Korea is one of the least free countries on earth. Officially atheist, North Korea's Communist regime has sought to replace religion with adherence to the national ideology. Dissent is severely punished. North Korean Christians persist in keeping the faith in secret despite the ever-present danger of discovery leading to imprisonment or even death. Steve Snow (snow2@erols.com; 616-209-5656) welcomes questions on religious persecution and on efforts to promote religious freedom around the world. Steve has placed some materials on religious persecution on the table in the narthex.

Scrap Metal and Pop Can Fundraisers - Items may be place in the shed located on the east end of church's garage. Recyclable metal is collected for our Capital Improvement fund. This year to date we have collected \$237.21. Refundable pop cans are collected for the Freedom Boys of Uganda that the Sliedrecht's support. To date this year, we have collected \$468.70. That's 4,687 cans!! Thank you for your continuing support.

Financial Peace University/Dave Ramsey resources. Help yourself to some free FPU resources on the table in the foyer.

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Who can you invite? There are postcards at the Welcome Center for you to handout to those who may not otherwise attend church.

Nursery: The Nursery is open for morning services.

This Week: Cheryl Brouwer, Kendra Bouma, Jenna Palmbos Next Sunday: Jen VanDragt, Cindy Palmbos, Kyla Cook

Ushers for November:

AM: Blake Timmer, Dale Vande Griend, Brett Wassink, Adam Westmaas

PM: Ben Bouma, Bill Brouwer, Kyle Brouwer

Coffee Server: This Week: Sylvia Aukeman

Next Week: Natalie Timmer

PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

Concerns and Praises:

Jack Vugteveen is recovering from carpal tunnel surgery in both wrists.

- Tatum Matthysse, son of Jamie and Samantha, had successful heart surgery last week.
- Dave Vruwink as he undergoes further cardiac and optical testing related to the discovery that he had two strokes in the past.
- Barb, Sarah, and Katie Los were in Florida for further testing and evaluation related to Chronic Fatigue Syndrome.
- Pray for **Flo Bosscher** as she is still struggling with health concerns following her hospital stay with pneumonia.

Shut-ins: Joyce Feenstra, Arlene Schut, Fran Nederveld, and Henrietta Dyke.

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, THANK YOU SO.... MUCH for the many birthday greetings and \in so many ways. I have much to be thankful for and to God be the GLORY! - **Evelyn Hamberg**

FROM THE DENOMINATION

Kids Corner: When We All Work Together - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Did you know that Nehemiah convinced everyone to help build a wall around Jerusalem? Together they finished the work in 52 days! This week's devotion is all about how when we trust God and work together, he can accomplish some pretty amazing things through us. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Bible story podcast "The Story of Nehemiah."

COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

New City Kids Christmas Bash – First CRC's Mission Impact guests New City Kids is hosting a Christmas bash called Rooted in Love on Wednesday, December 6 at GLC 20 Monroe Live (11 Ottawa Ave NW, Grand Rapids). Social hour starts at 5:30PM and the show starts at 7:00PM. Tickets for this can be purchased at newcitykids.org/rooted

Zutphen's 5th Annual Holly Jolly Christmas Market will be on Saturday, December 2, 2023 from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm! Mark your calendar to attend a festive day of shopping unique handcrafted, and home business finds, live Christmas trees, winter porch pots, and more! Also included are raffle prizes, lunch, and a hot cocoa bar! All proceeds will go toward the Zutphen Youth Mission trip to Guatemala! Holly Jolly Christmas Market is located at Zutphen Christian Reformed Church 3223 40th Ave. Hudsonville.

Unity Christian High School is proud to present the musical *Holiday Inn*. Performances are scheduled for 7pm on November 30 and December 1 and at 5pm on December 2. Performances will take place at the Hudsonville High School Auditorium on Allen Street. This is a show all ages will love! Tickets are on sale for \$8 each. All tickets are sold online on our website (www.unitychristian.org) under "Parent Resources." You are able to pick your own seats and pay online.

FESTIVAL OF NATIVITIES @ RIDGEWOOD CRC: Join us on Sunday, December 10, for hot drinks, a Festival of Nativities, Christmas carols, and a light supper. Starting at 4:00 pm, you may view over 40 nativity sets from around the world while sipping warm beverages. A multi-generational Christmas Program and carol-sing begins at 5:00 pm, followed by a free meal in our multi-purpose room. Questions? Contact Sharon (616-669 -2630) or Vicki (616-457-9405). We're praying that many of you join us for this special evening!

FROM LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

Volunteer Opportunities at Love Your Neighbor

- Pickup & Delivery (those with trucks are highly encouraged!)
- Small Appliance Test & Repair
- Store Cashiers
- Shoe volunteers in Treasure's Resale Shop
- Volunteers to sort and price donations before they go to the Outback Store
- Test and Repair Ministry (Training is provided!)
- Landscape volunteers for the Hudsonville Campus

November 26, 2023 - Evening Service

GATHER

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship

*Song: This Is My Father's World vs 1-3

*God's Greeting

*Scripture Reading: Psalm 84: 1-4

*Song: How Lovely, God, How Lovely vs 1

PRAYER

Congregational Prayer Song: **Give Thanks**

WORD

Series: Sound Doctrine – Understanding and Living What We Believe Scripture: *Acts 2: 14-28* Message: *Signs and Wonders* Prayer

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*Benediction

*Song: O God Our Help In Ages Past vs 1, 2, 6

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