

Helpful information

1. **Please join us for a time of coffee and fellowship after the service.** Coffee is served in the Elevator Room.
2. **Nursery is available for children up to three years of age.** The Nursery Room can be found in the basement of the church.
3. **C.D.s are available for all sermons through the church office.**

Bad Weather Policy

A reminder that if there is a winter storm warning, blizzard warning, tornado watch or warning 1 hour before a scheduled event that event will be cancelled. If the schools have cancelled, all activities at church will be cancelled. In all other cases, check **WOODTV 8**, woodtv.com, jq99.com, or the church's website firstzeeland.org for information.

COUNCIL OF THE CHURCH

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Sunday, April 8, 2018

Sunday Worship Celebrations

Morning Worship Service: 10:00 AM

Evening Worship Service: 5:30 PM

Radio Broadcast: Every Sunday on 96.5 FM and WPNW1260 AM at 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM.

C.D.s are available in the church office.

Welcome to First Church!

We believe God intends First Christian Reformed Church to be a Bible-based, Spirit-empowered church which nurtures and equips all members in order to reach out to the world and draw in our neighbors.



*Pastor of Visitation: Rev. Bernie Mulder
Specialized Transitional Minister: Rev. Tom Pettinga*

<u>Morning Service</u>	<u>Evening Service</u>
Call to Worship *Songs: <i>O Love of God How Strong & True</i> <i>How Deep the Father's Love</i> *God's Greeting & Mutual Greeting *Song: <i>My Jesus I Love Thee</i> God's Will for our Lives Moment for Children Congregational Prayer Offering: Building Fund *Song of Preparation: <i>Lord Speak to Me</i> *Scripture: John 21:1-19 Message: The Three-Fold Restoration Prayer of Commitment *Song: <i>Grace Alone</i> *God's Blessing as We Depart *Departing Song: <i>Father We Love You</i>	Call to Worship *Songs: <i>O Come My Soul Sing Praise to God</i> <i>Come All You People Praise Our God</i> *God's Greeting Song: <i>He Hideth My Soul</i> Congregational Prayer Offering: General Fund *Song of Preparation: <i>O Word of God Incarnate</i> Scripture: Proverbs 3:5-6 Message: In the Lord I Trust Prayer of Response *Song: <i>Only Trust Him</i> *Benediction *Song: <i>Lord Dismiss Us With Your Blessing</i> <div style="text-align: right;"><i>Accompanist: Kris De Koster</i></div>

Welcome to First CRC, we are glad you're here!

Pastor Tom Pettinga will lead us in our morning worship service today. This evening, we will welcome **Pastor Norm Buursma** to lead us in our worship service.

Next Sunday, April 15 **Pastor Tom** will lead us in our morning and evening worship service.

Ministry Schedule

Nursery-
 Today: Anne Kollen, Jennifer Stevens, Ethan Kollen
 April 15: Peggy Machiele, Wes Vander Lugt, Emma Kaptein
Welcome Center-
 Today: Ruth Fineout
 April 15: Joe & Jenn Stevens

Offerings

This Week:
AM– Building Fund: Monies for future improvements/repairs to the church and Bridge facilities.
PM– General Fund: Monies for general church operating expenses.
Next Week:
AM– Ministry Shares: Monies to help with missionaries, training, starting new churches, denominational services, as well as synodical and fundraising expenses.
PM– Bethany Christian Services: A non-profit organization that provides adoption and orphan care services through a national network of over 80 locations, and licensed in more than 30 U.S. states.

Care and Prayer

On Wednesday, April 11 **Shirley Klingenberg** will be having a procedure done to remove the remaining stones in a duct that goes from her liver to her intestines. Please that the procedure will go well and smoothly.

Dar and Neill Pettinga returned from Texas via a Wings of Mercy flight on Saturday, March 31. Pastor Tom traveled to Texas by car Sunday night and returned home on Wednesday evening. They all had safe trips, praise the Lord! Neill will be staying with the Pettinga's for a few months. Continue to pray for them.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:00 AM Morning Service 5:30 PM Evening Service	9:00 AM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM Transition Team 7:00 PM Properties Team	6:30 PM Creative Worship Team				

Pastor Tom will be in the office Monday and Wednesday from 8:00 AM-12:00 noon and Thursday and Friday from 9:00 AM-12:00 noon. If Pastor Tom is not in the office those days and you would like to get ahold of him, feel free to call his cell phone at 641.660.2230 or email him at tdpettinga4@gmail.com.

The **Calling Elder** for the month of April is Jerry Hoeksema, his phone number is 616.298.8699.

Elisa will be working in the office this week Monday and Thursday. She will be working from home on Tuesday and Wednesday and can be reached at 616.298.5039.

Please sign up to be in a **Table Talk** group on Sunday, April 15 or 22. The sign-up board is in the back of the sanctuary. These are important meetings for the churches future, we need your input.

Dear friends, at their meeting on Tuesday, March 20, the Council decided to discontinue the airing of our worship services on the local radio station, with today being the last Sunday. This broadcast has happened for many years and has been appreciated by many of our shut-ins over those years. It has also been generously supported financially. However, these are the reasons for discontinuing the radio ministry:

- The radio station has increasingly questioned whether the broadcast could continue with our present equipment and quality.
- The original intent of the broadcast was for outreach evangelism. Over the years, very few have entered our church as a result of the radio programming.
- Our shut-ins can listen to any number of Bible-based radio sermons each day from many sources.
- We can easily update our technology to bring full, uninterrupted worship services on CDs to our shut-ins - and even provide CD players to them if necessary.
- Our services are ideal times for sharing our difficult stories with each other and for the healing of personal hurts. Without the constraints of the broadcast, we don't have to be concerned about the clock. And we don't have to be concerned about sharing information with all of Ottawa County.

Thank you for all who have contributed to this ministry, and thank God for all the people who have benefitted from it!

We are starting a **Food and Goods Drive** today for Harvest Stand Ministries in Zeeland. A grocery cart is available in the back of the sanctuary with a page listing their current needs for your shopping convenience. Their current needs are: Kleenex, toilet paper, feminine hygiene items, paper napkins, shampoo, men's deodorant, laundry soap, cleaning products, potatoes (can), potatoes (box), tomato sauce, pasta sauce, pineapple, mandarin oranges, peaches, fruit cocktail, chili (can), spam, crackers, granola bars, and fruit snacks. There are some items they have been abundantly blessed with and are not in need of at this time. Those items include cereal, peanut butter, flour, pasta and bars of soap.

*In Loving Memory of
Robert "Bob" Kraai
January 30, 1929—March 30, 2018*

We express our sympathies to John and Dorie Rietsma as well as the entire family of Bob Kraai. He went to be with the Lord on Friday, March 30 at the age of 89. The funeral service was held on Wednesday, April 4 at Yntema Funeral Home and was officiated by Pastor Bernie Mulder. Please pray for all of Bob's family and friends as they cope with the loss of a loved one.

Calendar Notes

Children in Worship will meet in the church basement following the Moment for Children this morning.

Join us for a time of coffee and cookies after the morning service today.

Sunday School will meet from 11:15-11:45 AM today.

There will be a **Staff Meeting** on Monday at 9:00 AM.

The **Transition Team** will meet on Monday at 5:30 PM.

The **Properties Team** will meet at 7:00 PM on Monday.

The **Creative Worship Team** will meet on Tuesday at 6:30 PM.

There will be a **Prayer Meeting** next Sunday, April 15 at 4:45 PM. All are welcome!

Community Announcements

Parkview Adult Foster Care Home is looking for an individual to cook in the home. Experience with developmentally disabled adults is not required, but would be beneficial. You must have experience cooking for large groups, meal planning, and have a basic understanding of nutrition. Applicants must also be stable, dependable, possess initiative, and be able to work independently. This position is in charge of grocery shopping for the home, and maintaining the kitchen and freezers as well. They are looking for someone to work approximately 20 hours each week. The hours are somewhat flexible, but applicants would need to prepare dinner for the residents every evening, Monday-Friday (leaving the home around 6:00 PM). During the Fall and Winter months, Wednesday dinners are not required. If you would like to cook for an awesome group of people, this might be the job for you!