

## 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

#### Elders

David Wierda (19)- Clerk of Council

Howard Blacquiere (20)- President of Elders

Jerry Hoeksema (20)

Roger Brower (21)- Vice President of Council & Elders

#### Deacons

Ross Harris (19)- Vice President of Deacons

Bentley Kollen (20)

Bill Machiele (20)- President of Council & Deacons

Pearl Huizenga (21)

#### Pastor

Pastor Tom Pettinga



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**Sunday, July 8, 2018**

### **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.

**Join us for worship!**  
**Morning Worship Service: 10:00 AM**  
**Evening Worship Service: 5:30 PM**



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

**Ministry Schedule**

**Nursery-**

Today: Marcia Hoeksema, Bentley Kollen, Ethan Kollen  
 July 15: Anne Kollen, Elisa Machiele, Nathan Kollen

**Welcome Center-**

Today: Ruth Fineout  
 July 15: Joe & Jenn Stevens

**Care and Prayer**

GEMS IS 60 YEARS OLD THIS YEAR!! The birthday party is about to start! GEMS leaders, Sonja, Denise, Von, Cindy and Marcia, leave this week Wednesday for Redeemer University College in Ancaster, Ontario! We plan on driving stopping at Niagara Falls on the way! Please pray for safety in our travels, learning in our seminars and growing closer to our Lord! We look forward to getting renewed and excited for next year! We thank you all for your support, both financially and with your prayers. We are so blessed with our family at 1st!!

**Marcia Steigenga** returned home from MediLodge in Holland on Saturday, June 30. Continue to pray for healing and comfort for her.

Please continue to pray for **Jerry De Koster** as he remains at Rest Haven.

**Alice Prins** remains at the Providence Nursing Home in Zeeland and continues to suffer from an infection and a blood clot in her leg and a lot of pain. Continue to pray for healing and comfort for her.

**Marvel March** is now receiving hospice care. Pray for her and her family at this time.

**Arie Spek** broke his hip and spent a few days in the Zeeland Hospital. He has been discharged and is now at Heritage Nursing Home for rehabilitation. Pray for healing for him.

We express our sympathies to **Lavonne and Howard Blacquiere** and **Kathryn Gruppen** in the passing of Dorothy Gruppen. Dorothy was Lavonne's mother and Kathryn's sister-in-law. She went to be with the Lord on Monday, July 2. Her funeral service was held on Friday, July 6 at North Street CRC in Zeeland. Pray for Lavonne and Howard, Kathryn and the entire family of Dorothy.

<b><u>Morning Service</u></b>	<b><u>Evening Service</u></b>
Call to Worship	Call to Worship
*Songs of Praise: <i>Here I Am to Worship</i> <i>Lord I Lift Your Name on High</i>	*Songs: <i>Congregational Choices</i>
*God's Greeting & Mutual Greeting	*God's Greeting
*Song: <i>My Life is in You Lord</i>	*Song: <i>Congregational Choice</i>
Moment for Children	Congregational Prayer
Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1	Offering: Bethany Christian Services
Congregational Prayer	*Song of Preparation: <i>As the Deer</i>
Offering: Building Fund	*Scripture: Psalm 139:1-14
*Song: <i>Before the Throne of God Above</i>	Message: <b>God's Eye is on Us</b>
Scripture: Romans 8:28-39	Prayer of Response
Message: <b>God Will Take Care of You</b>	*Song: <i>His Eye is on the Sparrow</i>
Prayer of Commitment	*Benediction
*Song: <i>God Will Take Care of You</i>	*Song: <i>Savior Again to Your Dear Name</i>
*God's Blessing as We Depart	
*Departing Song: <i>Lead Me, Guide Me</i>	

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

This morning we welcome **Pastor Ray Steigenga** to lead us in our worship service. This evening, **Pastor Bernie Mulder** will lead us in our worship service. *Pastor Tom will lead the worship service at Dutch Treat Campground in the morning and he will lead the worship service at Ridgewood CRC in Jenison in the evening. Ridgewood CRC of Jenison is Pastor Tom and Dar's home church.*

**Pastor Tom Pettinga** will lead us in both our morning and evening worship services next Sunday, July 15.

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

## Offerings

**Pastor Tom** will be in the office this week Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in the morning. 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 July 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.

This evening the congregation will be choosing a few of the praise songs we sing from the Grey Psalter Hymnal. Come to church this evening with some songs in mind!

In your mailbox last Sunday was The Love Letter from The Bible League International. People in China are hungry for God's Word. This is a way we can make a difference in their lives. Please prayerfully consider to help them fill their needs for giving them Bibles. Any questions? Call Char Faber or Henkie Beukema.

### Happy Birthday!

This week we wish **Pastor Bernie Mulder** a happy 85th birthday on Thursday, July 12. May the Lord bless him on his special day!

### Calendar Notes

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

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

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

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

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

Reminder for the **Nifty 60's** about the Amish play, "Stolen" and dinner on Friday, September 21 in Shiphshewana. Cost is \$65 per person with checks made out to Rollie Oshier. We need a final count and payment by August 17. There is still room for 12 more. Everyone is welcome. Call Rollie with questions at 772.1388.

### **This Week:**

**AM– Building Fund:** Monies for future improvements/repairs to church and Bridge facilities.

**PM– Bethany Christian Services:** A non-profit organization that provides adoption and orphan care services through a national network of over 80 locations, and 30 U.S. states.

### **Next Week:**

**AM– Ministry Shares:** Monies to help with missionaries, training, starting new churches, denominational services, as well as synodical and fundraising expenses.

**PM– Lakeshore Pregnancy Center:** Free services for clients with potential pregnancy; also, abstinence education in a Christian-counseled atmosphere.

URGENT URGENT URGENT - needs for God's Pantry at First CRC! In the past few weeks the use has been up tremendously (14 families!). Nothing will be turned away, but these are the immediate needs at this time: toilet paper, paper towels, Spaghetti O's, dish soap, laundry soap, hand soap, toothpaste, canned fruit, cake mix, frostings, any kind of 'mix'. Please drop them off on the table in the pantry, or we will also have the grocery cart out for a couple weeks. May God bless each recipient of these items, and each giver, as we give in Jesus' Name!

### **There some great opportunities coming up this summer to care for our community in the name of Jesus.**

We are hosting three **Fun Nights** this summer. One took place on Friday, June 22. The other two will be on Monday, July 16 and Friday, August 10. This is a great opportunity for us to bless our neighbors and community with a free, family-fun event. Everyone is welcome! Be sure to sign up (on the back table) to help at the **Fun Nights at First** this summer.

The folks at Roosevelt Elementary School are hosting a **mobile food pantry** this summer in connection with Feeding America, West Michigan. And they need some volunteers to help. They especially need volunteers on Monday, July 16 at 10 in the morning. If you can join Pastor Tom that morning, let him know in the next two weeks. And then contact Lana Kramer: lkamer@zps.org or call her at 616-283-2645. This would be a great way to care for our community in the name of Jesus. It's the 1st Church way!

The Ottawa Area ISD is sponsoring a **Give A Book A Home** event at Logan Estates. Volunteers are needed to read to children and give them free books. It's happening on Thursday, June 21 from 1- 3 in the afternoon. And also Thursday, August 9 from 1 - 3 in the afternoon. If you can join Pastor Tom on either of those two days, let him know and then call Lana Kameron at 616-283-2645 or email her at lkamer@zps.org. This would be another way we can serve Jesus by serving kids in his name. That's the 1st Church way!