

AM Message: The Greatest

Scripture: Matthew 18: 1-5

Preaching: Pastor Shawn Gerbers

PM Message: Opened!

Scripture: Mark 7: 31-37

Preaching: Pastor John Aukema

Sermon Notes

Welcome

Welcome to First CRC. We are so glad you're here!

If you have children 3 months through 3 years old, you can safely entrust them to our nursery workers, who will care for them during the service. The nursery is located just below the Sanctuary and can be accessed by going down the stairs near the back entrance.

Restrooms are located just below the Sanctuary and can be accessed by going down the stairs near the back entrance.

After the service, please join us for refreshments which are located in the room just off the Sanctuary.

Offerings

AM— General Fund: Monies for general church operating expenses.

PM— Doors of Hope: Serving the community by helping hurting people, equipping the saints and uniting the community in the name of Jesus.

Church Announcements

2023 Budget | The Finance Team will be reviewing the 2023 Budget in the near future. Any group or organization of church that would like their budget amount reviewed, please contact Bentley Kollen or Lavonne Blacquiere. Some groups already have done this but for those of you that have not, please contact us within the next couple weeks. Thanks.

Gems Baked Goods Sale | URGENTLY NEEDED BAKERS FOR GEMS BAKED GOODS SALE for the pumpkin parade on October 8. After a few years off, the GEMS leaders are going to have a baked goods sale during the Pumpkin Festivities here in Zeeland. If you are willing and able to donate any type of baked goods, please contact any GEM leader. If you want to have a pick up please call Marcia (616-566-8284) or Cindy (616-403-4506), or you may drop off on Saturday morning, October 8, by 9:00 AM in the Cadet room in the BRIDGE.

Coffee Area | The coffee area has been moved temporarily. The Facility Refresh Team is trying this to see if this helps with congestion in the elevator room. This is on a trial basis at this time.

Songs of Choice | Tonight we will be finishing up the last 4 songs that were chosen in July that we didn't get to.

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Directory Update | First CRC is updating our directory. Please get your picture taken after the morning worship service over the next few weeks. Also, please fill out a directory sheet to ensure that information is up to date.

Birthdays

We would like to wish Shirley Scholten a very happy 86th birthday on Monday, Sept. 26! May her special day be great!!

Care and Prayer

Calling Elder | In need of prayer or a visit? Howard Hoeksema is the Calling Elder for September, his phone number is 616.212.5386.

June Vanden Heuvel had hip surgery on September 19th, after breaking her hip. Her surgery went well. She is now at Freedom Village Inn for therapy.

Lucy Dykstra is still healing. If you would like to send her a card her address is Medilodge 1221 E 16th St Holland 49423.

If you would like to send John Maxfield a card, his address is 645 E Lincoln Ave Zeeland 49464.

Community Announcements

Volunteer Opportunity | 2nd Reformed Church is planning to launch a "Feeding our Neighbors" program. The plan is to prepare and package meals at their church and distribute to a couple pickup spots in Zeeland and eventually to also have a drive-thru pickup. They want to help the food insecure population in Zeeland and are asking churches to participate by providing volunteers. The hours are either 2 - 6 pm or 3-7 pm. They are aiming for 2 times a month and the plan is to eventually add more days. For the volunteers, it might be once every other month, depending on how many churches participate. If you feel led to serve in the community by helping out with this program, please contact Von Blacquiere or Deb Klunder by October 5. If you have any questions, please ask.

Zeeland Civic Chorus | Save the date! The Zeeland Civic Chorus will begin rehearsing for Handel's *Messiah* every Sunday at 2:15-3:45 from October 9--November 27 at First PRC of Holland. Final rehearsals will be November 29 and December 5 at 7:00 pm. Performances will be at 7:00pm on Thursday, December 1 and Tuesday, December 6. Please join us in singing God's praise together. Invite your friends!

Calendar

Coffee Break will meet Thursday, Sept. 29, from 10-11:15 AM.