

**AM Message: Holy Spirit**

**Scripture: Galatians 4: 1-7**

**Preaching: Pastor Shawn Gerbers**

**PM Message: Clap Your Hands**

**Scripture: Psalm 47**

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

**PM—Family Life Center:** Demonstrates Christ's love to young women experiencing unplanned pregnancies by equipping them for the challenges of life by providing a safe, caring, home environment with specific opportunities for social, emotional, intellectual, and spiritual growth.

## Church Announcements

**Christmas Cards** | The deacons will be delivering Christmas Cards to the shut-ins again this year. The mail boxes are in the back of the church and by the office. This is your LAST day to turn them in. Here is a list of our shut-ins: **Cora Sterken, Jason Scholten, Dave Bonnema, Bud Bos, Cora Hyma, Eunice Lemson, Angie VandenHeuvel, June VandenHeuvel, Judy VandenBosch, Carol VandenBosch, Leona Veen, Sally Smith, Bob & Dave Wittingen**

**Budget Boxes** | The budget boxes are on the table in the back of church. Please pick them up by the end of December. Thanks.

**Shoe Boxes** | GEMS leaders found out this week that all 228 shoe boxes are on their way to Zambia! Pray for each child who receives a box, that they may learn about Jesus! Thanks again for ALL your support to our GEMS and Cadets!

**Sound Volunteers** | We are in need of more volunteers to run the sound/ power point. If you're willing to help, please talk to Pastor Shawn. Thank you.

## Church Calendar

**Helping Hands** will meet Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 9 AM.  
**Council** will meet Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 6:30 PM. The Elders and Deacons will meet separately following the conclusion of the Council Meeting.

**There will be no evening service on December 25.**

**Poinsettias in the front are:**

### In memory of:

Loved Ones.....Pearl Huizenga  
Loved Ones.....Lorraine Becksfort  
Alvin Wesseldyke.....Jason & Barb Walters  
Mom & Dad.....Karen Jager  
Jason Redder.....Gord & Cindy VanDyke  
Loved Ones.....Gayle Evenhuis  
Loved Ones.....Howard & Lavonne Blacquiere  
Loved Ones.....Duane & Sonja Garvelink  
Isaac John Hoeksema,  
Our Parents.....Jerry & Marcia Hoeksema  
Henry & Beulah TerHaar.....Bill & Lois Dykens  
Catherine VanderLugt,  
Andrew & Julianne VandenBosch  
Deb VandenBosch.....Wes & Denise VanderLugt  
Rev. Bernard & Dorothy Den  
Ouden, Al Wesseldyke,  
Ben Becksvoort.....Doug & Von Wesseldyke  
Terry VandenHeuvel,  
Neal & Arloa VandenHeuvel,  
Elmer & Jerene Hoeksema,  
Bob & Arlowa Betten.....Howard & Marianne Hoeksema & family  
Roger Brower.....Lois Brower

## Thank You

Thank you to everyone who expressed happy birthday to me. It was such a blessing to me.  
**Sally Smith**

## Care and Prayer

**Von Wesseldyke** will be having cataract surgery on December 19 and January 4. Please keep her in your prayers.

Calling Elder | In need of prayer or a visit? David Wierda is the Calling Elder for December, his phone number is 616.953.0679.

## Birthdays

**Eunice Lemson** is celebrating her 87th birthday today, Dec. 18! May her special day be great!

**Wayne Wildschut** will be celebrating his 82nd birthday on Tues., Dec. 20! May his special day be wonderful!

**Henkie Beukema** will be celebrating her 83rd birthday on Weds., Dec. 21! May she have a very blessed day!