

AM Message: Second Place

Scripture: Matthew 13:44

Preaching: Pastor Shawn Gerbers

PM Message: Cast Your Cares

Scripture: Psalm 55

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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.

Sermon Notes

Offerings

AM— Building Fund: Monies for future improvements and repairs to the church and Bridge facilities.

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

Special Collection—Talking Bibles: Provides and places Talking Bibles in homes and areas around the world where people cannot read. They network with local pastors and evangelists for shepherding and follow up.

Church Announcements

Sound Volunteers Needed | We are in need of volunteers to help run the sound or power point for Sunday services. Please reach out to Doug Wesseldyke if you're able to help!

New Books/DVDs in the Church Library | *Battlefield of the Mind: Winning the Battle in Your Mind* (Spiritual Growth Series) by Joyce Meyer; *Loving People Who Are Hard to Love: Transforming Your World by Learning to Love Unconditionally* by Joyce Meyer; *Start with Prayer* by Max Lucado; *It's A wonderful Life* DVD. This is the original 1946 holiday classic movie.

Bad weather policy | If there is a winter storm warning, blizzard warning, tornado watch or warning one (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 for information.

Care and Prayer

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

Please keep **John Rietsma** and **Ken Louwsma** in your prayers during their recovery.

Church Calendar

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

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Weds. Night Dinner | March 15 will be our last Wednesday night dinner of the school year. We will be having pork roast, potatoes, California blend vegetables with cheese sauce, corn, rolls and dessert. If anyone would be willing to make a dessert, please talk with Phyllis (616)566-7566.

Gems/Cadets will meet Weds. at 6:30PM following the dinner.

Coffee Break will meet Thurs., March 16, from 10-11:15 AM.

Prayer Meeting | Each week members from First Church are invited to come and pray together at 11:00AM on Thursday. All are welcome. Meet at the office.

Community Announcements

Unfading Truth Bible Reading Plan | The name 'Jesus' is perhaps the most recognized name in the whole world. But what does it really mean? Read or listen to our church's Bible reading plan every week day. Join at UnfadingTruth.org.

The King's Choraliers | The King's Choraliers in concert with the Men's Choirs of South Christian High and Unity Christian High School - Enjoy an "Evening with Men in Song" at the South Christian High School Auditorium on Sunday, March 19, at 7:00 PM. This concert, *How Great Thou Art*, will include over 100 male voices from the West Michigan area.

Zion Christian School Pi Run | The Zion Christian School Boosters are hosting their annual Pi Run on Saturday, April 15! Starting at 9 a.m., this 5K (which is 3.1 miles, which is awfully close to $\pi = 3.14$) is particularly special as everyone who crosses the finish line will get to indulge in a piece of homemade pie from Rainbow Grill - or other offered post-race refreshments.

BCS Soup Supper | Borculo Christian School will be having a soup supper on Friday, March 17 from 4:30 to 7pm. Please come and enjoy the fellowship, soups, sandwiches, and desserts!