

AM Message: Patient Endurance
Scripture: Revelation 2: 1-7
Preaching: Pastor Shawn Gerbers

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

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

Special Collection—Christian Reformed Conference Grounds: Family ministry center for spiritual renewal, recreation for all ages, food service, camping, and lodging in an atmosphere of Christian fellowship.

Sermon Notes

Church Announcements

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? Howard Hoeksema is the Calling Elder for April, his phone number is 616.212.5386.

Ross & Katelyn Harris' baby, Wrenley Jean, is home after surgery. Continue to keep them in your prayers. If anyone would like to send a card, their address is:

Ross and Katelyn Harris
3263 Dogwood Dr.
Hamilton, MI 49419.

Judy Vanden Bosch remains at Freedom Village Inn and is doing well. Cards and notes of encouragement can be sent to her at:

Judy Vanden Bosch
c/o Inn at Freedom Village
145 Columbia Ave.
Holland, MI 49423.

Church Calendar

Helping Hands will meet on Tuesday, April 18, at 9 AM.

Council will meet Tuesday, April 18, at 6:30 PM. The Elders and Deacons will meet separately following the conclusion of the Council Meeting.

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.

Zutphen CRC Drive-In Diner | The Nifty 50's Drive-In Diner will be open on Friday, April 28 at 5:00 pm at Zutphen CRC (3223 40th Ave Hudsonville, Mi 49426). On the menu are hamburgers, hot dogs, grilled cheese, french fries, shakes, malts, and ice cream sodas! Enjoy 1950's costumes and music, hula hooping, and more! Bring your classic car or your newer model. All proceeds benefit the ZYPS Youth Group Mission Fund.

Community Announcements

BCS Grandparents Day | Friday, April 21, Borculo Christian School will be having Grandparents Day. The program will start at 10am, you may tour your grandchildren's classrooms afterwards.

BCS Sporting Clay Shoot | Saturday, April 22, Borculo Christian School will be holding its 16th annual Sporting Clay Shoot at Blendon Pines. Registration forms are available in the school office. For more information, please call or email the school office. 616-875-8152 or office@borculochrschool.org.

BCS Community Meal | Saturday, May 6 from 4 to 6pm, Hog Wild will be catering a community meal at Borculo Christian School. The meal will include chicken or a hot dog, potato salad, pasta salad, mac & cheese, baked beans, a roll and an ice cream treat. Adult tickets are \$10, children from 4 to 10 are \$6, under 4 is free. Call the school office to order tickets by April 21. From 4 to 7pm on the same day, we will have our Family Fun Night with carnival games, pony rides, bounce houses, etc.

Thank You

Thank you for all the cards, prayers and visits after my last surgery! Everything is going great. **Marcia Hoeksema**