

**AM Message: Standing Firm in the
Faith****Scripture: Revelation 2: 8-11****Preaching: Pastor Shawn Gerbers**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

General Fund: Monies for general church operating expenses.

Solid Rock: Aid to people who are facing financial difficulties or who are experiencing physical limitations by providing necessary, standard of living repairs to keep their homes safe, healthy, and secure.

Church Announcements

First Focus | The First Focus will be printed on Thurs., April 27. Please have materials to Lisa by Weds., April 26. Thank you.

Elder and Deacon Nominations | The Council is currently taking nominations for one deacon. We are also taking additional nominations for two elders. The nomination forms can be found on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

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.

Church Calendar

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.

Thank You

Thank you for your prayers, cards and expressions of sympathy following the passing of my son Jim. We have a caring church family. **Shirley Klingenberg**

Birthdays

We would like to wish **Corajeane Hyma** a very happy 91st birthday today, April 23! May she have a very blessed day! Cora is homebound so if you'd like to send her a card or pay her a visit, it would be appreciated!

We would like to wish **Sherrill Riemersma** a very happy 88th birthday on Saturday, April 29! May her special day be great!

Community Announcements

Unfading Truth Bible Reading Plan | Christ died to defeat death so that when we die, we'll enter eternal life. Read about this awesome truth as we read the Bible together this week. Join us 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.

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.