

**AM Message: Better for It**  
**Scripture: Revelation 2: 12-17**  
**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

**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.

### Sermon Notes

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## Church Announcements

**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? Ed Wolters is the Calling Elder for April, his phone number is 616.644.7643.

Remember in your prayers **Gord and Cindy VanDyke** as Gord's father passed away and also for Gord's recovery after surgery.

We express our sympathies to **Char Faber** and **Jan Bos** as their mother passed away. Keep them in your prayers.

## 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

With all the services leading up to Easter, there were many people who gave their time and did extra work. Thank you to **Sonja and Phyllis Garvelink** for all the work they did to make the church ready with palm branches, flowers, banners, crosses and extra decorations. Thank you to the sound and power point guys for coming in early multiple times. Thank you to the praise teams for extra practices and to the janitors for keeping the church neat and clean. Many thanks to all of you! **1st CRC Worship Team.**

Thank you for all the wonderful cards and thoughts for my birthday! **Cora Hyma**

## Community Announcements

**Unfading Truth Bible Reading Plan** | You likely know *about* Christ's resurrection, but are you fully experiencing the *peace* that comes from it? Find out how: read or listen to our church's daily Bible reading plan at UnfadingTruth.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.

**National Day of Prayer** | National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 4! Each year we gather together at Holland Centennial Park or Zeeland City Hall for prayer for our nation and cities.

Zeeland City Hall  
12 S Elm, Zeeland  
Noon-12:30