

Message: Meaningful Change

Scripture: Matthew 18:21-35; 2 Cor. 5: 14, 15; Luke 9:23; Romans 14: 7,8

Preaching: Pastor Shawn Gerbers

<u>Sermon Notes</u>

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.

Special Collection—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

Praise Team | Advanced notice-If you sing on a praise team, please reserve Sat. morning, October 14, at 10 AM for an hour or so-more details to follow.

Properties Team | The Properties Team has moved it's meeting to the Bridge couch room. Meetings are held every 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 7PM. The meetings are open to church members.

Office Email | The office email office@firstzeeland.org is working again.

Out of Office | Lisa will be out of the office on Thursday this week.

GEMS Baked Goods Sale | Gems will be selling baked goods at the Pumpkinfest Parade on October 7. We are asking for help with baked items or other items such as hot chocolate packets, water bottles, apple cider, ring pops or candy bars or packets of candy.

Autopsy of a Deceased Church |

Starting today, Shawn will be leading a class on this book following morning worship. We will read a few chapters at a time and then discuss the questions that go along with that chapter, and pray together as well. See Shawn to get a copy of the book.

Care and Prayer

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

Church Calendar

Wednesday night dinner |

Wednesday, October 4, is our next dinner. Our menu is lasagna, mostaccioli, tossed salad, rolls and dessert. See you at 5:30!

Gems and Cadets will meet from 6:15-8 on Wednesday evening.

Coffee Break will meet Thurs., Oct. 5, 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 | You need a break. In fact, you were designed for it. But you need to fight the world to keep one of God's greatest gifts to you: the fourth commandment (a.k.a the Sabbath Day). Dig Deeper with us this week as we read the Bible each week day to learn more. Join us at UnfadingTruth.org.

The Dock Ministries | The Kelloggsville Chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace, in conjunction with The Dock Ministries, will be holding its next bed building day on Saturday, October 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This will be held at Wood Tech, Inc. located at 670 - 76th St. in Byron Center. Registration information will be coming soon. In preparation for the event, helpers are needed to cut and plane wood on Tuesday, October 3 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at Wood Tech. Please call The Dock at 616.531.4955 or thedockministries@gmail.com for more information and/or to let us know you'll be coming!

Zeeland Civic Chorus | Save the date! The Zeeland Civic Chorus will begin rehearsing for Handel's *Messiah* every Sunday at 2:15-3:45 from Oct. 8-Nov. 26 at First PRC of Holland. Final rehearsals will be Nov. 28 and Dec. 4 at 7:00 PM. Performances will be at 7:00 PM on Thurs., Nov. 30 and Tues., Dec. 5. Please join us in singing God's praises together. Invite your friends!