

Preaching: Pastor Shawn Gerbers

Sermon Notes

Welcome

*Songs: *Let It Be Said of Us*

Shout to the Lord

Congregational Prayer

Meekness and Majesty

Make Me a Servant

Behold our God

Offering

Scripture: Romans 12: 3-8

Message: **The Gifts of God**

*Songs: *The Servant Song*

Bind us Together

Offerings

Ministry Shares: Monies to help with missionaries, training, starting new churches, denominational services, as well as synodical and fund-raising 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

Operation Christmas Child | Reminder: If anyone would like to donate to the shipping cost of sending the Christmas gifts/boxes, there are envelopes in the back of church that can be used. The money needs to be collected by today since they will be distributed between November 18-25. Anything collected above the amount needed will be used for the cost of the gifts. Money can be put in the collection plate or given to a GEMS leader. (Marcia H., Cindy VanDyke, Sonja G., Sara G., Angie W., Denise VanderLugt or Von W). Thanks for supporting this project.

Thanksgiving Day Special Collection | **World Renew/Disaster Response Services.** There will be no special envelopes. The deacons feel that with Hurricanes Helene and Milton that we can best support the relief clean up and repair that will be done. Please make checks out to First CRC. Any questions, contact a deacon.

Christmas Cards for the Shut-Ins | GEMS and council will be delivering Christmas cards to our shut-ins this year. Please have your cards in the mailboxes by Sunday, Dec 8. Here's a list:

Bud Bos

Bill Dykens

Corajean Hyma

Sherrill Riemersma

John Rietsma

Shirley Scholten

Sally Smith

Carol Vanden Bosch

Angie Vanden Heuvel

June Vanden Heuvel

Robert and David Wittingen

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Breakfast at Arrows | Breakfast Tuesday, Dec. 3, at Arrows in Hudsonville! Sign up sheet is in the back...If you want a ride, please note on sign up sheet! ANY AND ALL are invited to join us! Sign up by Dec. 1.

GEMS Bingo Night | **Save the Date!** The GEMS girls are inviting the ladies of the congregation to join them for BINGO the night of November 20. The girls will practice for Christmas caroling from 6:15-6:40 in the chapel and then everyone can meet in the fellowship room after dinner/clean-up at 6:45 PM. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the back of church for anyone would like to enjoy a fun and relaxing time.

First Favorites Songs and Hymns | For the Thanksgiving service on November 28, we will be having a "First Favorites" Songs and Hymns through the Years. There is a paper on the table in the back of church that will be out until November 24 to list your selections ahead so power point can be prepared ahead.

Zeeland Turkey Trot | The Zeeland Turkey Trot will take place Thanksgiving morning at 8 AM. Be aware if you need to adjust your travel to church.

Care and Prayer

Calling Elder | In need of prayer or a visit? Howard Hoeksema is the Calling Elder for November. His phone number is 616.212.5386.

Thank You

Thank you for the greetings and cards on my birthday. **Shirley Klingenberg**

Birthdays

We would like to wish **Barb Walters** a very happy 88th birthday today, November 17! May her special day be great!

Church Calendar

Helping Hands will meet Tuesday, Nov. 19, at 9:00 AM.

Council will meet Tuesday, Nov. 19, at 6:30 PM. The Elders and Deacons will meet separately following the conclusion of the Council Meeting.

Weds. Night Dinner | Starting at 5:30 on Wednesday, Nov. 20, we'll be having a delicious dinner of Ham, Au gratin potatoes, glazed carrots, corn, applesauce, rolls and pie for dessert. Come and enjoy!

GEMS/CADETS | Gems/Cadets will be meeting Weds. after the meal.

Coffee Break will meet Thurs., Nov. 21, from 10-11:15 AM.

Town Hall Meeting - Sunday, Nov. 24, after the morning worship service.

Lord's Supper | We will celebrate the Lord's Supper on Sunday, December 8.