

Preaching: Pastor Dan Walcott

<u>Sermon Notes</u>

Welcome

*Songs: Hear Our Praises

Shout to the Lord

Congregational Prayer

*Songs: The River is Here

How Great is Our God

Offering

Scripture: Mark 9:1

Message: Jesus and the Kingdom of God

*Songs: Build Your Kingdom Here

Grace Alone

Offerings

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

Church Announcements

Pastor Dan Walcott will be preaching for us this morning. He taught Bible and World Religions at Holland Christian and Jos Nigeria for 41 years. He recently retired as pastor of Bethany CRC in Holland.

Nursery Attendants | We will no longer have assigned nursery attendants. Thank you to all who have faithfully served to help take care of the young children. In the future, if the need arises, there will be individuals available to watch the children. Marcia Hoeksema will be the contact person.

Church Counselor | Pastor Tyler Wagenmaker from Beaverdam Christian Reformed Church has been approved to be our church counselor. We are required to have a church counselor if we do not have a pastor. We are thankful he was willing to do this and that this has been approved.

Elder Reinstallation | Randy Hop has stepped up to be an elder during this transition time. We are very thankful that he will do this. He will be reinstalled this morning.

Sanctity of Life Sunday | Today, Sun., Jan. 19, is Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. It's the day when churches and life organizations across the United States raise awareness about the value of human life and the attacks on it through abortion. We celebrate God's gift of life, commemorate the many lives lost to abortion, and commit to protect human life at every stage.

Cookie Sign-Up | Just a reminder, cookie sign-up sheets are in the back of church. If you don't bake, you can always buy cookies! We appreciate any help with this!

Church Calendar

Council will meet Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 6:30 PM. Some of the Next Steps Team will be meeting with Council to review the process and determine plans for the future. Please pray for 1st Church during this time. Pray that God's direction may be made clear. Thank you.

GEMS will be meeting Weds., Jan. 22, from 6:15-8 PM.

Coffee Break will meet Thurs., Jan. 23, from 10-11:15 AM. We will be starting the new book, *Soul Poison*.

Church Breakfast | The next church breakfast is Fri., Feb. 7, at 9 AM at the Farmhouse in Zeeland.

Care and Prayer

Calling Elder | In need of prayer or a visit? Wes VanderLugt is the Calling Elder for January. His phone number is 616.836.8054.

Remember Martina Hyma as she continues to recover from a fall a few weeks back. Grateful nothing is broken! Also, she received a call from the Netherlands; her sister passed away unexpectedly this week! There have been many tears but so grateful for time spent with her last April and a recent phone conversation! Pray for comfort and relief from pain for Martina.

Joyce Mulder is experiencing painful arthritis in her hands and would appreciate prayers for pain relief.

Care and Prayer Cont...

Gord Beukema is doing well in Florida and continues to wait for test results keep him and Henkie in your prayers.

Pastor Bernie is waiting to talk with an orthopedic surgeon regarding his ongoing hip pain. Pray for patience and relief of pain.

Rog Steigenga is back home after a short stay at Meijer Heart. Continue to reminder and pray for him as he continues to rehab at home.

Community Announcements

Parkview Fundraiser | Parkview Adult Foster Care will be partnering with Russ' for a fundraiser! From January 20 through January 25, Russ' will be donating 20% of sales to our home for every voucher. Please consider enjoying a delicious meal at Russ' during this week, and help support our residents! There are vouchers on the table in the back of church to take when you go to Russ'.

Birthdays

Lorraine Becksfort will be celebrating her 84th birthday on Weds., Jan. 22. May her special day be great!

Warren Wierda will be celebrating his 86th birthday on Sat., Jan. 25. May his special day be great!

In Loving Memory of Rolland Oshier August 4, 1942—January 11, 2025

We express our sympathies to Aldajean and the Oshier family in the passing of Rollie. He went to be with the Lord on Sat., Jan. 11, 2025, at the age of 82. A funeral service was held this past Fri., Jan. 17. Surround all of Rollie's loved ones with prayers of comfort and peace.