

Preaching: Pastor Dan Walcott

<u>Sermon Notes</u>

Welcome

*Songs: And Can It Be

Amazing Grace My Chains Are

Gone

Congregational Prayer

*Songs: Jesus Your Name

We Have Come Into Your House

Offering

Scripture: John 14

Message: Jesus Will Never Leave You

*Song: Go My Children With My

Blessing

*Song: We Receive Your Blessing

Offerings

General Fund: Monies for general church operating 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. We express our sympathy to Dan as his mother recently passed away.

Next Steps Team | Council met on Tuesday and the decision was made that the work of the Next Steps Team is completed. We are very thankful for the many hours of service and all the work they did on behalf of 1st Church.

Out of the Office | Lisa will be out of the office April 4-12. If you need anything, please email or leave a message. She will still be checking emails/voicemails.

Care and Prayer

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

Norm Garvelink has been in the ICU since Monday with erratic heart rhythm and a fractured vertebrae. We would appreciate your prayers. Phyllis Garvelink

Marcia Broekhuis, former member of First CRC and sister-in-law of Glennys and Hero Broekhuizen, passed away on Wednesday, March 26. We express our sympathies to Glennys and Hero,

Care and Prayer Cont...

Aldajean Oshier is scheduled for back surgery this Thurs., April 3, at Blodgett Hospital. She will be having a test on April 2 to see if they can do the surgery or need to reschedule. Pray there are no concerns and that Aldajean will be ready for the surgery. She hopes to have relief from the pain she has been dealing with so long.

Church Calendar

First CRC Anniversary | On April 1, 2025, First CRC will be celebrating 163 years of ministry. To celebrate this date, we will be having a light lunch and cake after the service today. Please stay for this time of fellowship with our church family.

Breakfast at Community | Breakfast on Weds., April 2, at 9 AM, at Community Restaurant in Zeeland. Sign up sheet in back so we have an idea of how many!

April Council Meeting | The April Council meeting will be on Wednesday, April 23, instead of Tuesday April 15.

Good Friday Service | We will not be having a Good Friday service at our church. Beaverdam CRC has graciously invited us to meet with them. Their pastor is our church counselor. The service begins at 7 pm on April 18. Communion will be served. The address for the church is 5166 64th Ave. Hudsonville.

Community Announcements

Unfading Truth | As we grow more aware of our election each day, we humble ourselves before the One who first loved us. Read the Bible with us each weekday. Text JOIN to 833-273-2136.

Love and Lean Walk/Run for Mental Health | Make an Impact for Mental Health! Come join us on Saturday, April 26, for the 9th Annual Love & Lean Walk/ Run for Mental Health! Walk or run a 5K or 1.5 mile route on sidewalks, bike paths and trails through the wetlands. Physical activity is good for mental health! The route, which starts at the Zeeland stadium, will be lined with memorial pictures, motivating interaction, sidewalk chalk inspiration, and encouraging message signs. This annual event was inspired by the loss of Zach Kroll, who silently suffered from depression and died at the age of 15. Let's come together as a community to support each other and help reduce the shame and secrecy surrounding mental health so less people struggle silently and more people seek help. More information can be found at: https://runsignup.com/ Race/MI/Zeeland/LoveLean WalkforMentalHealth.