

Preaching: Pastor Mark Bennink

Sermon Notes

Welcome

Responsive Reading

*Songs: *Firm Foundation*

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

Congregational Prayer

*Songs: *Thy Word*

Speak O Lord

Offering

Scripture: Psalm 1

Message: **The Two Ways**

*Song : *Jesus Paid it All*

*Song: *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

Offerings

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

Church Announcements

Pastor Mark Bennink will be preaching for us this morning.

Member of the Week | Our member of the week will be someone who does not regularly attend our church services. We want them to feel connected to our church family. You can connect by praying for them, sending a card or note, phone call, or a visit. Our member of the week is **Angie Vanden Heuvel**.

Church Calendar

Communion | We will be celebrating Communion this morning. The Lord instructs us to prepare our hearts and minds to receive this sacrament.

BREAKFAST | Tuesday, Sept 9, at 9:00 AM, at Community Restaurant in Zeeland. It's been a GREAT time meeting for breakfast the last few months. If you haven't been able to join, we would LOVE to see you! Sign up sheet in back.

Care and Prayer

Calling Elder | Calling Elder | In need of prayer or a visit? Randy Hop is the Calling Elder for August. His phone number is 616.610.1859.

Prayers for Council and First | Please continue to pray for Council and 1st Church as we seek God's direction for our future. May His plans be made clear to us. "We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. May your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord, even as we put our hope in you." Psalm 33:20-22.

Hero Broekhuizen is being treated at Meijer Heart Center after having a heart attack. Pray for the doctors, for a good treatment plan, and a good recovery.

Larry Wildschut will be having outpatient exploratory surgery on August 19. He requests prayers of the congregation for a good outcome.

Community Announcements

Unfading Truth | Our salvation must be credited to God alone, who chose us in Christ, called us, granted us faith and repentance, rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brings us into the kingdom of His Son. Read or listen along each weekday at UnfadingTruth.com. Text JOIN to 833-273-2136 for a daily reminder.

Thrive Faith Formation Tip | In his book *Just Mercy*, Bryan Stevenson writes, "The true measure of our character is how we treat the poor, the disfavored, the accused, the incarcerated, and the condemned. We are all implicated when we allow other people to be mistreated." These words speak directly to the heart of Micah 6:8. As you go through this week, focus on aligning your actions with those of the one who seeks justice in all spaces. Note down your observations at the end of the week, and consider what your daily practice can become moving forward. Brought to you by Thrive: crc-na.org/Thrive

Bethel CRC Blood Drive | Bethel CRC will be hosting a blood drive on Friday, August 29 from 11 AM-3:45 PM. For an appointment, visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code: BethelCRC, or call 1-800-RED CROSS(1-800-733-2767).