

Preaching: Pastor Scott VanOostendorp

Sermon Notes*Welcome*

Responsive Reading

\*Songs: *Lead Me, Guide Me**You Are My All in All*

Congregational Prayer

\*Songs: *How Firm a Foundation**He Will Hold Me Fast*

Offering

Scripture: Psalm 73

Message: **God is Good? I Doubt It**\*Song : *Praise My Soul the King of  
Heaven*\*Song: *We Receive Your Blessing*

## Offerings

**General Fund:** Monies for general church operating expenses.

## Church Announcements

**Pastor Scott VanOostendorp** 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 **June Vanden Heuvel**.

**First Focus** | Please have any First Focus materials for September in to Lisa by August 27. Thank you!

## Church Calendar

**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.

## Birthdays

**John Rietsma** will be celebrating his 96th birthday on Saturday, August 30. May his special day be great!

## 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. "Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The Lord, the Lord, is my strength and song; he has become my salvation." Isaiah 12:2

**Hero** had successful heart surgery on Wednesday. He faces a long recovery. We praise the Lord for answered prayers!

**Jamie Bierema** remains at Blodgett hospital with issues with her ostomy. Continue to remember Jamie, her dad and Kim in your prayers.

**Larry Wildschut** is thankful his exploratory surgery went well. He is thankful for the prayers of the congregation.

## Community Announcements

**Unfading Truth** | Regeneration is an entirely supernatural work, one that is at the same time most powerful and most pleasing, which is not lesser than or inferior in power to that of creation or of raising the dead. Come to understand the power God has poured into you as we read the Bible together each weekday at [UnfadingTruth.com](http://UnfadingTruth.com).

**Thrive Faith Formation Tip** | In the book *Unsettling Truths*, theologian and professor Soong-Chan Rah writes: "Repentance is not just sorrow and confession, it is the turning around of wrong behavior towards right and just action. Repentance from sinful corporate behavior therefore requires systemic change." Write down how you are going to pair your acts of repentance from "sinful corporate behaviors," like racism, with acts of systemic change this week. Brought to you by Thrive: [crcna.org/Thrive](http://crcna.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](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter sponsor code: BethelCRC, or call 1-800-RED CROSS(1-800-733-2767).

**Parkview Fundraiser** | There will be a fundraiser for Parkview Home at Mooville from September 8-13. 20% of your total bill will be donated to Parkview. They are open for breakfast, lunch and for ice cream. You will need a coupon to turn in when you pay your bill. Those will be available soon.