

THE LORD'S DAY, MARCH 15, 2020  
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

*WELCOME TO MORNING WORSHIP*

**THIS MORNING'S MESSAGE**  
*"DESPISED AND REJECTED"*

**THIS MORNING'S TEXT**  
Isaiah 53:1-6 (Pew Bible: Page 1145)

*See any usher if you need a song sheet or hearing device.  
Both are available on request.*

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**Join us for Combined Evening Worship with EMCRC  
at East Martin CRC at 6:00 p.m.**

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**THIS EVENING'S MESSAGE**  
*"LESSONS FROM THE CROSS"*

**THIS EVENING'S TEXT**  
John 19:17-27

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**MEMBER MINISTRY**

**NURSERY TODAY**  
**NEXT WEEK**  
**KIDS OF LIGHT**  
**HALL MONITORS**

Jill DeMann, Avery Jager, Morgan Jager (AM)  
Chris Pancoast, Hope & Katie Doezema (AM)  
Mindy & Carter Stahl, Jenna Marsman, Linda Zeinstra  
**TODAY:** Todd Helder and J.D. Mohr;  
**NEXT WEEK:** Kelvin DeVries and Don VerHage  
**TODAY:** Earl Helder, Mike Pavlak, Jake Sybesma  
**NEXT WEEK:** Tim Knoper, Jake Sybesma, Caleb Timmer

**USHERS**

**Tonight**, we will once again join with East Martin CRC for combined Lenten services **at** East Martin CRC at 6:00 p.m. Pastor Mark will be preaching on John 19:17-27.

In response to the latest Coronavirus concerns, the **offering plate** will not be passed. Instead, deacons will receive your gifts as you exit the Sanctuary. Also, there will be no post-worship hand shaking.

**Women's Esther Bible Study - *It's Tough Being A Woman***: We will meet this Tuesday, March 17, at 6:30 p.m., and will cover week 3 - homework pages 82-103.

**Easter will be here soon and the Easter Egg Hunt preparations are underway!** We are in need of **CANDY donations** – think small enough to fit in an egg, individually wrapped, and kid friendly. There is bucket in the Narthex by the welcome center for your donations. There is also a volunteer sign-up sheet for needs during the event. If you have any questions, please contact Lydia DeMann. Thanks!!!

**Spring Plants for sale!** Check out today's insert for the details.

For **Adult Sunday School** in the Sanctuary on Sunday's, March 29, April 5, 19 and 26, Ken Harthorn will be leading the class on the book, *Just Walk Across the Room*, written by Bill Hybels. This is a book on personal evangelism and how it can have a life-changing impact for someone standing a few steps away from you. This talks about how we can be more effective in all aspects of our lives. Might be great for the greeters of our church to be able explore and learn how to better meet and greet new faces. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex if you are interested in a book. If you have any questions contact Dale Doezema or Harvey Leep.

**Mark your calendars:** The next **Post High Bible Study** will be Saturday, March 28, 10:00 a.m., at Ben and Carly Schipper's, 770 N. Main Street, Apt. 4, Plainwell. If you have any questions, please contact Brooke Wolthuis at 269-254-6079. Everyone is welcome!

**Mark your calendars** for the Jr. High Fundraiser Dinner on March 28. See insert for details.

For the month of **March**, we will be collecting the following canned food and drink items for **Martin Resource Center**: Canned fruits, canned veggies, juices, applesauce and canned meat (i.e. tuna & chicken). You may place your donations in the cart in the Narthex.

The **First Quarter Faith Mission Offering** is designated for Terry & Melinda Ganka who will be serving as support missionaries in Papua New Guinea. You may place your donations in any offering plate.

We are excited to announce the upcoming **Community Sale** on Saturday, June 20, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The sale is designed to bless and care for those in our community. We ask that you please start saving items to donate to this event. Once Sunday school is completed for the year, we can start having donations brought to church. No junk please, we would like to be able to offer nice donations. Whatever is left at the end of the day will be donated to Salvation Army and all proceeds will go to the Martin Resource Center. We will also be in need of paper bags so please save those as well. If you have any questions please contact Patty Katje or Jim Schipper.

#### **Requested Announcements**

SON-Life Camp & Retreat Center **SPRING WORK WEEK** – May 11-15, 2020. Come out for a day or for the week to help us get ready for another amazing summer of ministry. Camp sites available, meals provided, all ages welcome. Contact camp for more information (269-792-2081) or check out our web site; [www.SON-LifeCamp.org](http://www.SON-LifeCamp.org).

**Save the Date:** SON-Life Camp & Retreat Center **SUMMERFEST** – Saturday, June 20, 2020; 3:30-8:00 p.m. Join us for a fun family day of free waterfront activities, crafts, inflatables and games. Dinner served at 4:30 p.m. for donation. Live & Silent Auction to follow.

East Martin CRC is hosting a joint **fundraiser to benefit both the families of Stacie Leep and Brian Westendorp**. Stacie suffered a stroke in December and Brian received a heart transplant in February, both spent months in the hospital and are looking at a lengthy recovery. Due to these issues, these families have experienced extensive medical expenses that will continue for some time. On Saturday, April 18, we are hosting a breakfast fundraiser at East Martin Christian School, 516-118th Avenue, Martin from 7:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. If you are able to attend or donate food to the event please RSVP to [eastmartinfundraiser@gmail.com](mailto:eastmartinfundraiser@gmail.com) with the number attending and/or to express your interest in donating food or contact Mardi Noorman at 616-836-2871. If you are unable to attend but would still like to donate, please mail any donations, made payable, to East Martin Christian Reformed Church, 510-118th Avenue, Martin, MI 49070. Please write Leep/Westendorp on the envelope.

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# Life of the Congregation

## March 15, 2020

### THISWEEK'S SCHEDULE

#### SUNDAY

- 10:35 AM** Coffee/conversation in the Narthex Area.
- 10:35 AM** Children's Choir – Three's thru Grade 2: Meet in Fellowship Hall.
- 10:45 AM** Sunday School classes for all ages until 11:30 a.m.
- 5:30 PM** Sr. High Youth will meet at church to carpool for dinner.
- 6:00 PM** Combined Evening Worship Service at East Martin Christian Reformed Church.
- 6:00 PM** Jr. High Youth will meet in the Youth Room – until 7:30 p.m.

#### MONDAY

- 8:00 AM** Open Gym for Walkers: Monday-Friday – until 10:30 a.m.
- 7:00 PM** Women's Volleyball in the Gym – until 9:00 p.m.

#### TUESDAY

- 8:30 AM** Ladies-Senior Chair Exercise in the Gym.
- 6:30 PM** Women's Bible Study will meet in the Youth Room.
- 6:30 PM** The Elder's will meet. To request baptism, see Pastor Mark.
- 7:00 PM** Men's Basketball in the Gym – until 9:00 p.m.
- 7:30 PM** The Consistory will meet. Devotions and lunch: John Schipper.

#### WEDNESDAY

- 4:00 PM** MRC Prays in the Consistory Room.
- 7:15 PM** Fourth Sunday Worship Team: Musicians.
- 7:30 PM** Fourth Sunday Worship Team: Vocalists.

#### THURSDAY

- 8:30 AM** Ladies-Senior Chair Exercise in the Gym.

#### FRIDAY

- 11:00 AM** MRC Seniors Bible Study and Luncheon – until 1:00 p.m.

### PRAYER CONCERNS

- \*\*\* **Rikkie Leann-DePuy, granddaughter of Richard DePuy** who has recently been worshipping with us, is struggling with respiratory issues and is on a ventilator. Pray that she be able to breath freely soon.
- \*\*\* **Kimmi McCliman, Mike and Chris Grosser's cousin**, has been diagnosed with a lymphoma and scans are scheduled for April at U of M. Pray for good results and healing.
- \*\*\* Pray for **Nora Mingerink** in her battle with cancer.
- \*\*\* **Judy Nieuwenhuis** had a scan done this past week. Pray for good results and for compete healing.
- \*\*\* Continue to pray for **Brian Westendorp** as he regains his strength following heart transplant surgery.
- \*\*\* Due to the recent spread of the Coronavirus, pray for healing of those who get sick. Pray also, that God will limit the spread of this virus and that the danger from it will pass quickly.
- \*\*\* Pray for the men and women who give of themselves everyday as they serve in our armed forces. Pray also, for our Law Enforcement Officers, EMT Personnel and Firefighters.
- \*\*\* **For those with cancer: Shannon Bergsma** (Frank & Margaret Schram and Jan & Ron Westendorp's niece); **Shirley** (sister-in-law to Seymour and Pat DeHaan); **Tom Damber** (Michelle DeMann's father); **Bob DeJong** (former member of MRC); **Lisa Hazard**, (Earl and Jan Helder's daughter); **Reg Iervolina** (Sherry Knoper's father); and **Ivy Keyzer** (granddaughter of Terry and Evalee).

### REASONS FOR PRAISE

- \*\*\* **We praise God** that Nora Mingerink no longer needs a feeding tube.

**Sunday Evening - March 15, 2020**

**Combined Evening Service at EMCRC**