

THE LORD'S DAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2020
“Welcome!” May our worship today prepare you for a week of serving Jesus.

WELCOME TO MORNING WORSHIP

THIS MORNING'S MESSAGE
“CHRIST ALONE”

THIS MORNING'S TEXT

John 14:6; Acts 4:12; I Timothy 2:5 (Pew Bible: Pages 1675;1696;1846)

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

Join us for Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m.

THIS EVENING'S MESSAGE
“DEACONS NEEDED”

THIS EVENING'S TEXT
Acts 6:1-7 (Pew Bible: Page 1700)

MEMBER MINISTRY

NURSERY TODAY
NEXT WEEK
KIDS OF LIGHT
HALL MONITORS

Sara DeHaan, Nancy DeWolff, Kylie Sheaffer
Sara DeHaan, Lacy Hulst, Carly Schipper
Tina & Liza Klingenberg, Jenna Marsman, Liz Smit
TODAY: Doug Geurink, Steve Pott
NEXT WEEK: Brian DeMann, Brian Veltman

“Congratulations” to the following:

- ◆ **Kevin and Lydia DeMann** on the birth of a daughter, Tessa Jan, on October 26. She weighed in at 6 pounds, 5 ounces, and measured 19-1/4” long.
- ◆ **Nathan and Emily Straub** on the birth of a daughter, Myla Grace, on October 26. She weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces, and measured 20” long.

May God bless these precious babies and their families!

Please join us for **Adult Sunday School (post high and up)** in the Sanctuary this Sunday! Here are some questions we will be discussing:

1. Is belonging to a church necessary to be a “true follower” of Jesus?
2. If you could start any ministry, what would it be and who would it serve?
3. What is one crazy big, God-sized dream you have for your time here on earth?

MRC Voting Ballots are due **today**. Please place them in the box at the Welcome Center.

The **Blue Slugs Care Group** will meet **today**, at 11:45 a.m., in the Youth Room.

The **Quilters Group** will meet this Saturday, November 7, at 9:00 a.m., in Rick Katje’s Sunday School Room.

Please update your directories! Kat Potts has a new address: 653 – 7th Street, Plainwell, MI 49080.

Need a great Christmas Gift? We have Martin Reformed Cookbooks for sale \$15.00 each. See Jill Wolthuis or email her at office@martinreformed.org if you are interested in purchasing one.

Leona Schipper has been a busy bee at the sewing machine during the quarantine! She made over 50 skirt & scarf sets for the shoe boxes. Please help yourself and don't be shy about it. They are in a box by the **Operation Christmas Child** display so take one or two and add them to the box you are building! A HUGE thank-you to Leona for all your work in putting these together, they are beautiful! Don't forget, the shoe boxes need to be returned to the church **no later than Sunday, November 14**. Thanks!

Women’s Ministry Christmas Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, December 5. Keep your eyes out for more information and a sign-up sheet!

The Youth Director Kelly Jager and Pastor Mark will be offering a **Profession of Faith Class** on Sunday, November 15, 1:00-3:00 p.m. If you believe in Jesus Christ and sense God calling you to make a stand for Him, please join us.

“**The Wise & The Beautiful**” **Care Group** will meet after Sunday School next Sunday, November 8, in the Friendship Area.

For our **annual Sunday evening Christmas Event** this year, we are combining the talents of both the Sunday School (will present an abbreviated program) and all the rest of you who would like to participate by singing a song, playing an instrument, or perhaps even reading/sharing a favorite Christmas poem or short story. If you would like to participate, please sign up on the sheet at the Welcome Center.

MRC Seniors is looking for a person(s) to organize and prepare meals for our Senior’s group that meets approximately six times a year. If you are interested in this important ministry, please contact Pastor Mark.

The **Faith Mission Offering** for the fourth quarter will benefit **SON-Life Camp**. If you would like to donate to this cause, please mark your offering accordingly.

Martin Resource Center Collections for November include: soups, canned tomatoes, chili beans, crackers (saltine and oyster), spaghetti and sauce, tea and hot cocoa, boxed meals and foods, stuffing and rice mixes. Please leave your donations in the grocery cart in the Narthex.

Requested Announcements

GEMS & CADETS are meeting this Wednesday, November 4, from 6:00-8:00 p.m.! GEMS are at EMCRC and Cadets are at the Anchor! GEMS are selling subs right now as well & orders are due on Wednesday! Subs are \$3.50, garlic bread \$4.00 and cinnamon rolls \$8.00. If you would like some and have not yet been contacted by one of our GEMS ladies feel free to reach out to any of them or to Becky Rillema 616-262-3827. Any questions regarding cadets - please reach out to Scott Rillema 616-318-7864. See you there!

Fall Workdays at SON-Life Camp: If you can help with cleaning up the waterfront, raking leaves, deep cleaning cabins, and more, please join us on November 2. Bring a sack lunch.

Join us this Monday, November 2, at 6:30 p.m. at the Yankee Springs Twp Fire Station to pray for our Nation. Gather outside at the Veterans Memorial to pray for God's love, hope, and peace in this upcoming election and beyond. When parking, do not block the fire truck doors.

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Life of the Congregation November 1, 2020

THIS WEEK'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.
11:45 AM Blue Slugs Care Group will meet in the Youth Room.
6:00 PM Evening Worship in the Sanctuary.
6:00 PM Jr. High Youth will meet in the Youth Room – until 7:30 p.m.
6:00 PM Sr. High Youth Small Groups – until 7:30 p.m. will meet in the downstairs Fellowship Hall.

MONDAY

- 7:00 PM** Women's Volleyball in the Gym – until 9:00 p.m.

TUESDAY

- 6:30 PM** Women's Bible Study in the Youth Room.

WEDNESDAY

- 4:00 PM** MRC Prays in the Narthex Area.
7:15 PM Second Sunday Worship Team: Musicians.
7:30 PM Second Sunday Worship Team: Vocalists.

SATURDAY

- 9:00 AM** The Quilters Group will meet downstairs in Rick Katje's Sunday School Room.

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

"The Wise & The Beautiful" Care Group will meet after Sunday School next Sunday, November 8, in the Friendship Area.

PRAYER CONCERNS

- *** Continue to pray for **Nora Mingerink** and **Judy Nieuwenhuis** in their battle against cancer.
- *** **Sheri, Kat Potts niece**, is having cancer surgery on Monday. Pray that the surgery successfully removes all of the cancer.
- *** Continue to pray for **Evert Reurink** as he recovers from surgery. Pray for no complications and healing.
- *** **Emily Veld** will most likely need surgery at a future date to repair eye muscles that were severely weakened by the tumor that was removed. Pray for patience and healing during the wait.
- *** The **SON-Life Camp Director Hope Wassenaar**, who gave us an update last week, is battling stage four cancer. Pray that God gives complete healing.
- *** Pray for our nation and the upcoming election.
- *** Pray for safety in the fields and on the roads during this harvest season.
- *** Pray for the men and women who give of themselves everyday as they serve in our armed forces, as law enforcement officers, EMT personnel, firefighters, and healthcare workers.
- *** Pray for those with ongoing health concerns: **Blaine Anderson** (Jim and Barb Keyzer's nephew); **Shannon Bergsma** (Frank & Margaret Schram and Jan Westendorp's niece); **Shirley** (sister-in-law to Seymour and Pat DeHaan); **Tom Damber** (Michelle DeMann's father); **Dennis Helmholtz** (Jerry and Sally Pols's brother-in-law); **Kimmi McCliman** (Mike and Chris Grosser's cousin); **Stella Waller**, Linda Benwire's sister; and **John Ybema**, (Morgan's grandfather).

REASONS FOR PRAISE

- *** **Praise God** for the babies born to Kevin & Lydia and Nathan & Emily this past week.

Sunday Evening - November 1, 2020
Pastor Mark Heijerman

6:00 P. M.:

We Gather As God's People

Prelude – Julie Wubben

Welcome

We Praise God in Song

Opening Prayer

Song Service (Don VerHage)

We Turn to God in Prayer and Preparation

Time of Prayer

Time of Reflection

Song of Preparation #88: "Fairest Lord Jesus"

We Quiet Ourselves to Hear the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Acts 6:1-7 (Pew Bible: Page 1700)

Message: "*DEACONS NEEDED*"

Prayer of Application

We Respond to the Word

Song of Response #286 (vs. 1-2): "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Parting Blessing

We Are Sent Forth in the Grace of God

Parting Song #286 (last verse): "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Postlude