

**THE LORD'S DAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2020**  
Thank you for joining us in worship today.

***WELCOME TO MORNING WORSHIP***

**THIS MORNING'S MESSAGE**

*"GOD'S GOAL"*

**THIS MORNING'S TEXT**

Various Scriptures from Ezekiel

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

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**We will join with East Martin CRC  
at EMCRC at 6:00 p.m.**  
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**MEMBER MINISTRY**

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

**NO** Nursery  
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**NO** Kids of Light today  
**TODAY:** Nate Jager, Sam Mensch  
**THANKSGIVING:** Doug Geurink, Greg Schaafsma  
**NEXT WEEK:** Kevin Jager, Kyle Katje

**We express our sympathy** to Ken and Sharron VandenBerg on the passing of Sharron's brother, Tom Davis. Pray for comfort and peace for the family.

**This morning**, we welcome Pastor Jim Goldschmeding back to our pulpit. **This evening**, we will join with East Martin CRC at East Martin at 6:00 p.m.

**Parents/Children:** There will be **NO** Nursery or Kids of Light **today**.

Although we won't be meeting in person for **Adult Sunday School** in the Sanctuary, here are some questions to ponder:

1. Have you ever written a mission statement for your life? If so, what is it? If not, what might be included in it?
2. What is one trait you wish Christians would embrace more?

Our **Thanksgiving Day service** will be at 9:30 a.m. This year, our Thanksgiving Offering is designated for Samaritan's Purse.

As you all know, the coronavirus is spreading rapidly in our nation, state, and communities. As a result, new restrictions are being put into place and you're probably wondering how all of this affects us as a church. The consistory has been discussing this issue and we as elders and deacons have decided to continue our worship services but discontinue just about everything else for the next three weeks. This means that there will be no Sunday School, Sr. and Jr. High youth activities, children's ministry, sports in the gym, MRC Seniors Holiday Dinner, etc. Also, there will be no nursery, the Christmas Event/Program scheduled for Sunday evening, December 13, is cancelled, and the Women's Christmas Dinner is postponed for now. Our congregational meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 1, will most likely take place after a morning worship service in December. I am excited, however, that worship services will continue, both our in-person and online. For now, the evening service will continue as well. As always, come to in-person worship only if you feel healthy and comfortable being in a room with others. May God be honored and we be blessed as we worship and live for Him!

**Thank you** for the many calls and cards with words of comfort during this time of loss of my son Paul. I really appreciate it. It means so much to me and my family. ~Patty Schiedel

**3 for 3 Building Fund:** As you give your year-end offerings, please consider giving to our new addition project. We are roughly \$82,000 short of our \$500,000 goal. Please designate your offerings for the “Building Fund.” Check out the Lighthouse in the Narthex to see the progress as we move forward. Any questions, contact Jim Schipper.

**Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! We collected 91 shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child!!** Praise God that these shoe boxes will reach 91 souls along with their families/friends for the Kingdom of Heaven! Thank you to all that participated in this beautiful mission during this difficult time we are facing. I pray that you were blessed as you shopped for items for your boxes, praying for the child that would be on the receiving end.

**“Good Reads” Book Club**, next book is *“If I Were You,”* by Lynn Austin. Next meeting is January 12, 2021. New members are welcome!

If you have any thing you would like to have on the agenda for the **Annual Congregational Meeting**, 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 Announcement**

Bible League International has a volunteer opportunity for a Spanish/English translator to assist BLI with the translation of documents or other forms of communication between English and Spanish in order to engage more donors and partners in Bible League’s ministry in Latin America. Contact DVanSwol@bibleleague.org.

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**WORSHIP WITH US: 9:30 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.**

**MRC ELDERS:**

Dale Doezema, Harvey Leep, Bob Modreske, Jerry Pols, John Schipper, Bob Veld.

**MRC DEACONS:**

Kelvin DeVries, Kyle Katje, Ben Lyon, Sam Mensch, J.D. Mohr, Steve Pott.

**Life of the Congregation  
November 22, 2020**

**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

**SUNDAY**

**10:35 AM** Coffee/conversation in the Narthex Area.  
----- **NO** Children's Choir today.  
----- **NO** Sunday School classes today.  
**6:00 PM** Evening Worship in the Sanctuary.  
----- **NO** Youth Groups tonight.

**MONDAY**

----- **NO** Women's Volleyball.

**WEDNESDAY**

----- **NO** Prayer Meeting this week.  
----- **NO** Praise Team Practice this week.

**THURSDAY**

**9:30 AM** Thanksgiving Day Service.



**PRAYER CONCERNS**

- \*\*\* Please pray for all those impacted by the coronavirus and especially those of our church family what are battling this disease, including **Jim Doll, one of our drummers** who is presently hospitalized with covid, and also **Carl DeMann** who for a time was quite critical but is now improving.
- \*\*\* **Doug Flamm, Wes and Cindy Bloemsmas son-in-law**, had surgery to remove a significant amount of skin cancer from his head and neck. Because cancer was also found in the lymph nodes, he will need a second surgery. Pray that doctors be able to remove all of his cancer and that God heals.
- \*\*\* **Ben Moored's** surgery on Wednesday went well and is in the U of M Hospital in Ann Arbor. Please pray for perfect healing.
- \*\*\* **Liza Klingenberg** had exploratory knee surgery. She is home recovering. Pray that God hastens the healing process.
- \*\*\* Continue to pray for **Nora Mingerink** and **Judy Nieuwenhuis** in their battle against cancer.
- \*\*\* Pray for comfort for **Ken and Sharron Vandenberg** on the recent death of Sharron's brother.
- \*\*\* 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 Helmholt** (Jerry and Sally Pols's brother-in-law); **Kimmi McCliman** (Mike and Chris Grosser's cousin); **Stella Waller**, Linda Benwire's sister; **Hope Wassenaar**, (SON-Life Camp Director); and **John Ybema**, (Morgan's grandfather).

**REASONS FOR PRAISE**

- \*\*\* **Praise God** for the wonderful ministry of Crops for Christ as it feeds those in need.

**Sunday Evening - November 22, 2020**

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