

# THE LORD'S DAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

“Welcome!” May the Lord bless your worship today!

## *WELCOME TO MORNING WORSHIP*

### THIS MORNING'S MESSAGE

“CLEANING UP FOR GOD”

### THIS MORNING'S TEXT

James 4:8-10 (Pew Bible: Page 1884)

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

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**Evening Worship Services  
begin on Sunday, September 20 at 6:00 p.m.**

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### MEMBER MINISTRY

#### **HALL MONITORS**

**TODAY:** Eric Jager and Steve Pott;

**NEXT WEEK:** Larry Martin, Jr. and Brian Veltman

**We express our sympathy** to Linda Benwire, on the recent death of her brother-in-law, Ken Waller. Pray for comfort and peace.

Pastor Mark will be on vacation September 16 – 23. If you have an emergency or prayer concern, please contact Bob Veld, Vice President of Consistory. Next Sunday, September 20, Pastor Ken Kuiper will be preaching at the morning worship service and Pastor Derek Noorman from East Martin will preach in the evening.

**Just a reminder:** Our **Sunday School/Education Year Kick-Off** will be next Sunday, September 20. This means Sunday School, Kids of Light, Children's Choir, Nursery and Youth Groups will begin!!!! MRC Seniors Program however, will not begin until a later date.

**As part of our fall program kick-off**, we will be having cake and ice cream for everyone. If you're not part of a Sunday school class, please go straight to the Gym after the worship service. For everyone involved in Sunday school, please go to your class following the service for a short time (10 minutes or so) for teachers and students to get acquainted and also perhaps for teachers to explain the materials they'll be studying. After class, Sunday school participants will join the rest of us in the Gym.

**FREE STUFF:** File cabinet, teaching on cassette tapes and storage unit. If interested, please check them out in downstairs Sunday School Room #4. Help yourself.

**Women's Bible Study:** Schedule is September 15 and 29, October 6 and 20, November 3 and 17 and December 1. Our group will study a Beth Moore study titled, “*The Quest*”; an in-depth search in who God is and how He desires for each of us to find and know Him. We hope you can join us.

At it's last meeting, the consistory decided to change our **current format of seating** in the sanctuary. Beginning next Sunday, in order to accommodate more people for the start of our fall program, the west wing (piano side) of pews will be fully open (no longer every other pew). Then, on October 4, the west center section and west wing will both be fully open. The whole eastern half of the sanctuary will remain every other pew indefinitely.

Thank you Martin Reformed for the apron and the money you sent us for our wedding. We appreciate it so much. We are truly blessed to have an amazing church family here and can't wait to experience the love here for many more years to come! ~Kurt & Ellie DeMann

**The Church Library is open!** Please stop in and grab a good book to read!

The **Faith Mission Offering** for the third quarter will benefit **New Creations Prison Ministries** which is dedicated to the spiritual needs of inmates in Michigan prisons.

Nora Mingerink continues to have health needs that take Jake and Molly to Ann Arbor with some frequency, and therefore the deacons have set up a **fund to help the Mingerink family** with some of their travel, lodging, eating, and miscellaneous expenses. If you would like to contribute to this fund, please earmark your offering accordingly.

**Martin Resource is in need of the following items for September:** Peanut Butter / Jelly, Mac & Cheese, Tuna, Healthy Snacks, Graham Crackers, Cracker Packs, Pudding / Jello and Juice Boxes. Please leave your donations in the grocery cart in the Narthex. Last month we had 32 pounds donated to those in need!

#### **MRC PRESCHOOL NEWS**

**Are you or someone you know looking for a great preschool?** MRC Preschool is accepting applications for the 2020/2021 year. Classes begin this week Tuesday! Please contact Carrie for all the details at [preschool@martinreformed.org](mailto:preschool@martinreformed.org) or 269-672-9711.

#### **Requested Announcement**

**SON-Life Camp has something for you!!** Since we couldn't have Summer Camp this year, we have prepared some fun retreats for our campers this October called **FALL BREAKOUTS!** Fall Breakouts are weekend long retreats (Friday Night-Sunday Afternoon). Our first one is for ages 13-17 on October 2-4. Our second weekend is for ages 8-12 on October 16-18. You can expect a new night game, worship, a guest speaker, and a Fall Carnival with hay rides, doughnuts, cider, pumpkin decorating, and more! We are so excited to have you join us for the weekend! Look for registration information on our website: [www.SON-LifeCamp.org](http://www.SON-LifeCamp.org). Sign Up TODAY!

### **MARTIN REFORMED CHURCH**

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**WORSHIP WITH US: 9:30 A.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 September 13, 2020

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY

10:35 AM Coffee/conversation in the Narthex Area.

### TUESDAY

9:00 AM Senior Chair Exercise in the Gym.

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

### WEDNESDAY

4:00 PM MRC Prays in the Narthex Area.

7:15 PM Third Sunday Worship Team: Musicians.

7:30 PM Third Sunday Worship Team: Vocalists.

### THURSDAY

9:00 AM Senior Chair Exercise in the Gym.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

- \*\*\* **John Bancino** will have back surgery on Wednesday. Pray for a successful surgery.
- \*\*\* Pray for comfort for **Linda Benwire** as she grieves the death of her brother-in-law, Ken Waller.
- \*\*\* **Gary Dykstra** is battling an infection in his leg. Pray for daily improvement and healing.
- \*\*\* **Margie Hines** continues to battle buildup of fluids, but is stable. Pray for strength and peace.
- \*\*\* Pray for **Nora Mingerink** and **Judy Nieuwenhuis** in their battle against cancer.
- \*\*\* Continue to pray for **Emily Veld** and ongoing vision issues.
- \*\*\* Pray for **Stella Waller, Linda Benwire's sister** as she grieves the death of her husband Ken, and as she battles Covid-19.
- \*\*\* Pray for renewed strength for **Ron Westendorp** as he battles some heart and lung issues.
- \*\*\* Pray for **John Ybema, Morgan's grandfather**, as he has been placed on Hospice care.
- \*\*\* Pray for **MRC moms** expecting babies.
- \*\*\* 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.

## REASONS FOR PRAISE

- \*\*\* **Praise God** for our Preschool Ministry as it has begun for another year.

**Sunday Evening - September 13, 2020**

**No PM Service at MRC this week**