

# THE LORD'S DAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

“Welcome!” We are happy you have joined us today.

## *WELCOME TO MORNING WORSHIP*

### THIS MORNING'S MESSAGE

“JACOB, NEW NAME, FORGIVEN”

### THIS MORNING'S TEXT

Genesis 33 (Pew Bible: Page 53)

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

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**Join us for Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m.**  
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### THIS EVENING'S MESSAGE

“TROUBLE IN THESSALONICA”

### THIS EVENING'S TEXT

Acts 17:1-15 (Pew Bible: Page 1722)

### MEMBER MINISTRY

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

Shelley Heijerman, Hope & Katie Doezema (AM)  
Angela Bouwman, Lilly Lyon, Morgan Ybema (AM)  
Sarah, Liv & Nolan Broughman, Kylie Sheaffer  
**TODAY:** Ben DeHaan, Greg Schaafsma  
**NEXT WEEK:** Eric Jager, Steve Pott  
**TODAY:** Tim Knoper, Harvey Leep, Jake Sybesma

**USHERS**

**We express our sympathy** to Ryan and Morgan Jager on the recent death of Morgan's grandfather, Jerry Rozema. May God provide comfort for the family during this time.

**Kids of Light (Children's Church – ages 4 years old – 1<sup>st</sup> grade) Kids Choir (ages 3 years old – 5<sup>th</sup> grade) and Sunday School classes (preschool – adult) begin today!** Please check out the Sunday School Class Insert for details on your teacher and class location.

This year we would like to open **Kids Choir** up to **all kids 3 years old - 5th grade**. The only request is that your child comes straight down to choir after the morning service and if they choose to participate try to be there each week. There is a very small block of time to learn the songs each week. We hope this gives more kids a chance to learn how to praise God through song. Questions? Contact Kara Smit 616-485-4699.

**Adult Sunday School (meets in the Sanctuary):** Starting **TODAY**, for four weeks, Ken Harthorn will be leading a class on the book entitled, *Just Walk across the Room* by Bill Hybels. This is a book on how we can be a better witness to those around us, those that we work with, and how by simply crossing the room and saying “hello” to someone, we could change that person's life forever. There will be a sign-up sheet in the back for anyone that would like a book. If you have any questions, contact Ken Harthorn or Harvey Leep.

**Parents of College Students!** Once again, we are doing the “**Staying In Touch**” program with our college students. **We need your student's name, college, address, email address and their birthday.** Please leave your information in the folder in the office or email it to [office@martinreformed.org](mailto:office@martinreformed.org). Thanks for your help on this! Our college students appreciate this so much! **If you would like to sign up for a college student, the list will be out soon!**

**Arnie and Irene Blain will be married 50 years in October!** You are invited to help them celebrate this Saturday, October 2, 4:00-7:00 p.m., at the Big Rock Music Barn, 1125 – 122<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Martin. No gifts please.

Next Sunday morning, **we will be celebrating** The Lord's Supper together. May we prepare our hearts for this blessed sacrament of communion with our Lord.

**Blue Slugs Care Group:** Our next meeting will be Sunday, October 10, in the Youth Room. Please mark your calendars.

**Please join our Prayer Shaw Ministry!** Whether you knit, crochet, or tie blankets we would love to have you join us! No experience necessary – we will teach you everything you need to know. We will meet on Thursday, October 14, at 10:00 a.m., in the Friendship Area. Please bring your supplies with you for an upcoming project. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Hammer 269-568-0163.

MRC Woman's Ministry is planning to again host a **trunk or treat** at MRC. **Save the date for Saturday, October 30th**. We will need lots of volunteers to decorate their trunks and hand out candy. There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center. We also need lots and lots of candy donations! Last year we ran out so please consider bringing in lots of candy to donate. Questions? Contact Sarah Veld 517-398-4570 or Sarah Broughman 269-750-9232 you can also email [children@martinreformed.org](mailto:children@martinreformed.org).

We are **looking for volunteers** to assist at The Welcome Center on Sunday mornings. This is a great ministry to be a part of it! Please contact Diane DeVries if you can help at 269-720-0382 or [dianedv16@gmail.com](mailto:dianedv16@gmail.com).

**GYM REMODEL:** The Gym will be closed until further notice due to painting and installation of a new floor.

**Quilting Group:** We will **not** be meeting in October. Our next meeting will be Saturday, November 6, at 9:00 a.m.

**MRC Seniors will resume their Bible Study/Luncheon** gatherings on Friday, October 29, at 11:00 a.m. **STILL NEEDED:** Volunteers to prepare and serve the luncheon. If interested, call Pastor Mark.

**Martin Resource is in need of the following items for September:** Peanut Butter / Jelly, Mac & Cheese, Tuna, Healthy Snacks, Graham Crackers, Crackers Packs, Pudding / Jello and Juice Boxes. Please leave your donations in the grocery cart in the Narthex.

#### **Requested Announcement**

2nd Impressions Resale Shop (a support of the Kalamazoo Christian Schools) 3750 S Westnedge, is in **immediate need of back door guys to accept and process donations** on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1-4. Call Patty or Cheri at 269-345-7757.

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

# Life of the Congregation September 26, 2021

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY

- 10:35 AM** Coffee/conversation in the Narthex Area.  
**10:35 AM** Children's Choir – Three's thru Grade 5: Meet in Fellowship Hall.  
**10:45 AM** Sunday School classes for all ages until 11:30 a.m.  
**6:00 PM** Evening Worship in the Sanctuary.  
**6:00 PM** Sr. High Youth will meet in the Youth Room – until 8:00 p.m.

### MONDAY

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

### TUESDAY

- 9:00 AM** Senior Chair Exercise in the downstairs Fellowship Hall.  
**5:30 PM** Fall Classis Meeting at Hopkins Community Church.

### WEDNESDAY

- 4:00 PM** MRC Prays in the Narthex Area.  
**6:00 PM** Big d.o.G.s (4-years-old thru 5th grade) will meet in upstairs Friendship Area until - 7:30 p.m.

### THURSDAY

- 9:00 AM** Senior Chair Exercise in the downstairs Fellowship Hall.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

- \*\*\* **John Bancino** will have surgery on September 28. Pray for a safe and successful surgery.
- \*\*\* Pray for comfort for the **Ryan Jager family** on the recent death of Morgan's grandfather.
- \*\*\* **Antonio and Laura Mazuecos, Mark and Shelley Heijerman's daughter and son-in-law**, are expecting a baby that has been diagnosed with Dandy Walker Syndrome. This is a very rare condition in which the lower part of the brain does not develop properly. Pray that God intervenes with a great work of healing.
- \*\*\* Continue to pray for **Nora Mingerink** in her battle against cancer.
- \*\*\* Pray for **Esther Scholten, Laurel Schipper's mom**, as she recovers from surgery at her Freedom Village home.
- \*\*\* Pray for **Myles Snyder, Keith and Alyssa Snyder's three-year-old son**. Myles has been battling health issues for much of his young life (reactive airway disease, low iron, wonky red cells, low or high sugar) and he now has an appointment at the U of M in November. Pray that doctors are able to figure things out.
- \*\*\* Pray for **MRC moms** expecting babies.
- \*\*\* Pray for safety in the fields and on the roads during the 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); **Doug** (Wes & Cindy Bloemsmas's son-in-law); **Shirley** (sister-in-law to Seymour and Pat DeHaan); **Tom Damber** (Michelle DeMann's father); **Chris Davis** (Linda Benwire's son); **Sharon Fitzpatrick** (Sandy Knooihuizen's mom); **Kimmi McCliman** (Mike and Chris Grosser's cousin); **Daryl VanderPloeg** (Pat DeHaan's brother); **Stella Waller** (Linda Benwire's sister); and **Hope Wassenaar** (SON-Life Camp Director).

## REASONS FOR PRAISE

- \*\*\* **Praise God** for the blessings of rain this past week.

**Sunday Evening - September 26, 2021**  
**Pastor Mark Heijerman**

**6:00 P. M.:**

**We Gather As God's People**

Prelude – Carol Jager  
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 #204: “Rock of Ages”

**We Quiet Ourselves to Hear the Word**

Prayer for Illumination  
Scripture: Acts 17:1-15 (Pew Bible: Page 1722)  
Message: “*TROUBLE IN THESSALONICA*”  
Prayer of Application

**We Respond to the Word**

Song of Response #206 (vs. 1-2): “There Is a Redeemer”  
Parting Blessing

**We Are Sent Forth in the Grace of God**

Parting Song #206 (last verse): “There Is a Redeemer”  
Postlude