

**THE LORD'S DAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020**  
"Welcome!" May the Lord bless your worship today!

***WELCOME TO MORNING WORSHIP***

**THIS MORNING'S MESSAGE**  
*"FRIENDS WITH GOD"*

**THIS MORNING'S TEXT**

James 4:4-8 (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:** Kelvin DeVries and Bob Sikkema;  
**NEXT WEEK:** Eric Jager and Steve Pott

**We express our sympathy** to Jon and Judy Nieuwenhuis as they grieve the recent death of Jon's brother, Henry. Pray for comfort and peace for the family.

**Women's Bible Study** tentative 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. See today's insert for details.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Church Library will be **closed** this week due to renovations. You can still return your items in the drop box.

**MRC "Good Reads" Book Club** will start meeting again this Tuesday, September 8, 7:00 p.m., in the Friendship Area. Our book is "*What We Were Promised*" by Lucy Tan. Also please remember to bring a book suggestion or two for the remaining four meetings of this season, and please invite a friend to join! It would be wonderful to grow our group a bit. If you'd like to bring treats or have any questions, contact Renee Lyon or Shelley Heijerman.

**Parents/Kids: Big D.O.G's** (4-year olds – 5<sup>th</sup> grade) begins this Wednesday, September 9, 6:00-7:30 p.m., in the Friendship Area. Can't wait to see all of you!

**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.

Thank you to everyone who donated cleaning items for our classroom! We feel prepared for the school year, and are excited for school to begin!

In an effort for provide a safer space for our students; we have set up a majority of our preschool classroom in the downstairs Fellowship Hall. While we will be moving some items back to the classroom at the end of the week, not everything is able to be moved. Would you please help us keep everything in its place on Sundays by making sure children don't move our items or play with any of our materials so that we can have everything in its place on Monday morning? Thank you so much for helping us! The Fellowship Hall can still be rented for gatherings, and we will be able to move many of our items out of the way at that time. Thank you for your continued support of MRC Preschool!!

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.

**From the deacons:** Thank you so much for your continued financial support to further God's kingdom!

**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.

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.

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## **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 6, 2020**

**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

**SUNDAY**

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

**MONDAY**

**Labor Day!** Enjoy the holiday with your family.

**TUESDAY**

**9:00 AM** Senior Chair Exercise in the Gym.

**7:00 PM** "Good Reads" Book Club will meet in the Friendship Area.

**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 the upstairs Friendship Area – until 7:30 p.m.

**7:15 PM** Second Sunday Worship Team: Musicians.

**7:30 PM** Second Sunday Worship Team: Vocalists.

**THURSDAY**

**9:00 PM** Senior Chair Exercise in the Gym.

**6:30 PM** The Elder's will meet. To request baptism, see Pastor Mark.

**7:30 PM** The Consistory will meet. Devotions and lunch: Jerry Pols.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

- \*\*\* **John Bancino** will have back surgery on September 16. Pray for a successful surgery.
- \*\*\* **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.
- \*\*\* **Nora Mingerink** has resumed chemo treatments. Please pray for healing for Nora but also for strength for Jake and Molly.
- \*\*\* Pray for comfort for **Jon and Judy Nieuwenhuis** on the death of Jon's brother.
- \*\*\* Continue to pray for **Judy Nieuwenhuis** in her battle against cancer. Pray that God uses her treatments and His mighty power to heal.
- \*\*\* **Carter Stahl's** surgery to remove his gall bladder went well. Pray that this surgery helps him to feel better so that he can resume his normal activities.
- \*\*\* Continue to pray for **Emily Veld** and ongoing vision issues.
- \*\*\* Pray for **Stella Waller, Linda Benwire's sister**. Stella has Covid-19 and is in Borgess Hospital. Pray for complete healing.
- \*\*\* Pray for renewed strength for **Ron Westendorp** as he battles some heart and lung issues.
- \*\*\* **John Ybema, Morgan's grandfather**, has a rare form of blood cancer and is now under Hospice care. Pray for comfort and peace during these difficult days.
- \*\*\* Pray for **MRC moms** expecting babies.

**REASONS FOR PRAISE**

\*\*\* **Praise God** for the start-up of Big D.O.G's this week.

**Sunday Evening - September 6, 2020**

**No evening service at MRC**