# He Is My DELIVERANCE

Psalm 124 (pg 966)

 If the LORD had not been on our side— Let Israel say—
if the LORD had not been on our side

- When people attacked us,
- 3 they would have swallowed us alive
- When their anger flared against us; 4 the flood would have engulfed us,
- The torrent would have swept over us,
- The torrent would have swept over
- 5 the raging waters
- Would have swept us away.

6 Praise be to the LORD,Who has not let us be torn by their teeth.7 We have escaped like a bird

- From the fowler's snare; The snare has been broken.
- And we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the name of the LORD, The Maker of heaven and earth.

**TODAY:** Does Jesus bring the cross to us, or does he bring us to the cross? The answer is yes to both.

**NEXT WEEK:** The amazing salvation that comes from Jesus forces a heavy confession: that I need saving.

### **DEACONS REPORT**

A SONG OF ASCENTS

Psalms for the Journey to the Cross

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on Mar 8:

Received for General Ministries:	\$9,262.28
Avg. weekly collection should be:	\$6,445.00
Received for Christian Education:	\$362.00
Avg. weekly collection should be:	\$629.20

**Community Offering:** 

World Renew/DRS

\$99.00

#### Upcoming Community Offerings

**TODAY: Bethany Christian Services** is a global nonprofit that supports children and families with world-class social services, all designed to help families thrive. Their mission is to love God and love people. They support vulnerable kids in the United States, global families, and refugees and immigrants.

Mar 22: Forgotten Man Ministries Mar 29: Guiding Light Apr 5: Resonate Global Mission – Jesse & Jari Rodriguez Apr 12: World Renew – Growing Hope Globally

#### THIS WEEK

Monday, Mar 16 12:30pm Women's Bible Study 6pm Kid's Food Basket

Tuesday, Mar 17 6:30pm Life Skills

Wednesday, Mar 18 11:57am J.O.Y Lunch 6pm Derby Car Race & dinner

#### COMING UP

ELDERS/DEACONS, Mar 24 RENUCCI HOUSE, Mar 28 PASSOVER MEAL, Mar 29 Sunday, Mar 22 8:30am Lenten Study 9:20am Prayer Group (Rm 21) 9:30am Worship 10:45am Church School 11am Adult Bible Study 6:30pm Youth Group

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# **March 15, 2020**

# WELCOME we are glad you are here!

# **CHILDREN ARE WELCOME in our service**

Also available during worship

- Nursery for infants & toddlers
- Children's worship for ages 3 to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade (room 7)
- "Busy Bags" with kid's bulletin & activities
- Puzzle & sermon notes written by Pastor Tom for students Grades 3 & up (found by weekly bulletins)

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & SONGSHEETS are available at the sound booth

# DRDER OF WORSHIP

#### **Call to Worship**

Our God

# Welcome & Greeting One Another

Everlasting God The Stand

# God's Will for our Lives

Build My Life

# Children's Message (Jayme Morren)

Children age 3yrs - 5th grade are invited to come forward and hear a special message, and then children age 3yrs - 2nd grade are invited to go to Children's Worship.

Offerings (Brianna Koetje, cello) 1st: General fund for church ministries 2nd: Financial aid for Christian school Community Offering (a box is at the sound booth)

# **Prayers of the People**

Scripture Psalm 124 (pg 966, in Bibles under the chairs)

Message "He is my DELIVERANCE"

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

# God's Parting Blessing

# TODAY:

9:20am Prayer Group (Room 21) 9:30am Worship *Refreshments & fellowship following Worship* 10:45am Church School 11am Adult Bible Study

# **PRAYER FOCUS**

#### Outreach:

**Bethany Christian Services** as they continue to show God's love by supporting vulnerable children and their families locally, and globally.

#### **Continuing Needs:**

-Remember in prayer those who are not able to worship with us on Sundays: Gloria DeWitte, Caroline Dik, Liz Lubbers, Lois Oom, Rachel Tjoelker, Phil and Char VanDommelen.

-We remember those with ongoing health needs: Keri Abbot, Ryan Brunink, Kristie Buchholz, Rick Carter, Ron Dykstra, Valerie Fleming, Rick Funk, Len Koetje, Arv Tap & Bruce VanHeest.

Join us for prayer on Sundays at 9:20am in room 21. Feel free to enter, even if prayer has begun.

# **VOLUNTEER**

# LOVE INC. LIFE SKILLS:

Life Skills has a need for two teens or adults to help with childcare on March 24. Sign up at the Church Life Board.

If you have been feeling a "nudge" to be a mentor please talk to **Laura VanderPloeg**. The need is for 2-3 women or couples to walk alongside participants ready for the love and support this next step provides.

# BACKPACK BUDDIES:

We added another buddy so that brings us to 19 children in our program. We are collecting food for the month of April; you'll find slips on the bulletin board. This ministry is blessed by your generosity and prayers - thank you! **Sandy** (campo-5@sbcglobal.net).

# RENUCCI HOUSE:

Our next date to serve is Saturday, March 28. We are so grateful that the sign up filled up quickly for this date! Keep watching the bulletin for future dates to serve. Contact **Linda Westra** with questions.

# **CHURCH LIFE**

# **DINNER & DERBY CAR RACE**

Join us this Wednesday, March 18 for dinner at 6pm. Hang around to cheer on your favorite derby car as it races down the track. Races begin at 6:45pm. The evening will end at 8pm with brownies and ice cream!

# ADULT BIBLE STUDY

All are welcome to join us on Sundays at 11am in room 10. Questions? Contact **Mike Philo** (*Imphilo@aol.com*) or **Dave Cook** (*dcook@calvin.edu*).

# J.O.Y (Just Older Youth)

Will meet for lunch *this Wednesday*, March 18, at 11:57am at Russ' Restaurant in Grandville. Join us for good food and fellowship!

# COOKIE SUNDAY

Looking for a way to meet visitors and people who sit on "the other side" of church? The third Sunday of every month we have "Coffee/Cookie Time" in the fellowship room where we can socialize together. Join us after worship today!

# CHRIST IN THE PASSOVER ~ THE FEAST OF REDEMPTION.

A look at the biblical feast of Passover and how Jesus fulfilled this feast as the "Lamb of God." This educational event is being incorporated into the church school curriculum during the season of Lent. All are invited to attend this event on Sunday, March 29, 11:00 – 12:00. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board or return your slip to the slot at the Welcome Desk today!

# LOVE INC – LIFE SKILLS

Please see the mid-week email for another personal story of how accepting the "nudge" to be a mentor has brought joy.

# EASTER CHOIR

Everyone High School age and older is invited to participate. Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays 3/25, 4/1 and 4/8 at 6:15pm-7:00pm. Please attend at least two rehearsals. Contact **Andrew Lenhart** for more details.

# THANK YOU

Thank you to our Fellowship family for the many kind remembrances shown for my birthday last month. In Christ – **Lois Koetje**.

# THANK YOU

Harbor House Ministries and Back to God Ministries International of the CRCNA are grateful to the congregation for the support they received from our community offerings.

# DIRECTORY UPDATE

We are updating our church directory for the 2020/21 year. On Sundays March 22 & 29, there will be a draft of the directory for you to make corrections to. If all of your information is correct, please place a check mark next to your name. The papers will be laid out on tables beside the mailboxes.

# IF:GATHERING

Ladies, do you need a break from your routine and a chance to hear from Jesus? Consider joining a few other Fellowship women Friday - Saturday, March 20 & 21 at the Christian Reformed Conference Grounds IF:Gathering. Follow the link below for all the information and to register. See you there! <u>https://www.crcg.org/if/</u>