When the storms come

Mark 4:35-41, Numbers 23:19

I. WHEN YOU SEE THE STORMS COMING

A. Are they really out there?

B. When you see them coming.

II. WHEN THE STORMS COME

A. "Dear God I don't understand you!"

B. "Don't be afraid! Have faith!

III. REMEMBER WHOSE YOU ARE AND TRUST WHAT HE SAYS

A. Remember whose you are

B. Trust what he says

TODAY: We welcome **Rev. Ron Fynewever** as he teaches us to "Remember whose you are and learn to take God at his word."

DEACONS REPORT

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on August 9:

Received for General Ministries: \$7,045.00

Avg. weekly collection should be: \$6,445.00

Received for Christian Education: \$655.00

Avg. weekly collection should be: \$629.20

Community Offering:

Wycliffe Bible Translators \$31.09

Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: Kids Food Basket. 1 in 5 Michigan children are affected by hunger and thousands of West Michigan children are food insecure. KFB began over a decade ago by serving 125 kids each school day through their Sack Suppers program and now serve Nearly 8,200 kids each weekday in West Michigan. Children who may lack a nourishing evening meal receive a sack supper at the end of each school day, eliminating any barriers to access. Access to these meals provides nutrition to fuel healthy development, helps to break the cycle of poverty, and builds stronger communities.

Aug 23: Backpack Buddies

Aug 30: Resonate Global Mission - Tony & Stacey Meyer

Sept 7: Mission French Africa/Paul & Charlotte Mpindi

Sep 13: Love INC

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, Aug 18

Sunday, Aug 23

9:15am August gathering group

10am Outdoor Worship

6:30pm Life Skills 11am August gathering group

4pm August gathering group

COMING UP STAFF

LIFE SKILLS, Aug 25 Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

FULL COUNCIL, Aug 25 Barb Sanders (Pastor)

BLOOD DRIVE, Sept 9 Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Sherri DeVries (Custodian)

Liz Boerman (Admin Assistant)

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WELCOME we are glad you are here!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

This Is Amazing Grace Beautiful One

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Grace

Cornerstone

Prayers of the People

Scripture Mark 4:35-41, Numbers 23:19

Mark 4:35 That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side." ³⁶ Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. ³⁷ A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. ³⁸ Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

³⁹ He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.
⁴⁰ He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

⁴¹They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

Num 23:19 God is not human, that he should lie, not a human being, that he should change his mind. Does he speak and then not act? Does he promise and not fulfill?

Message "When the Storms Come"

Oceans (Where Feet May Fall)

God's Parting Blessing

CHURCH LIFE

We welcome **Rev. Ron Fynewever** who will be sharing God's word with us this morning.

Next Sunday, August 23, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion together.

THANK YOU

Below are the words in a card we received recently. Your generosity makes a difference.

Fellowship Church – thank you for the food pantry. Here is a donation now that I am back on my feet & working! (signed, Grateful).

AUGUST GATHERING GROUPS

It is not too late to join in a gathering group for this month! Groups will meet once a week (following COVID safety guidelines) for a time of fellowship with others and to discuss questions provided from each week's sermon. Current groups that are meeting are:

- 11am on Sunday mornings after worship (organized by Elaine Vlietstra)
- 4pm on Sunday afternoons (organized by **Linda Westra**)
- 9:15am Tuesday mornings (facilitated by **Pastor Barb**)

If you would like to be connected to one of these groups or part of a new group, please see **Pastor Barb** or **Pastor Tom**.

August Birthdays

Bill Huyser -8/3

2500 Breton Woods #3064 Grand Rapids MI 49512

Marv Houtstra - 8/7

4253 Redbush Dr. Grandville MI 49418

Rachel Tjoelker - 8/16

Azpira Place of Breton 4352 Breton Rd SE Kentwood MI 49512

Caroline Dik - 8/30

Waterford Place 1725 Port Sheldon #E109 Jenison MI 49428

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER

BLOOD DRIVE

Save the date! Fellowship CRC is hosting a blood drive for Versiti Blood (formerly MI Blood) on September 9. The goal is to collect 21 pints of blood and have 40 people registered to donate. Go to https://bit.ly/fellowshipcrcblooddrive to sign up to donate. For information on COVID safety guideline implemented by Versiti, visit https://www.versiti.org/home/coronavirus-information

LIFE SKILLS

We are resuming our Tuesday night program at Fellowship. We are able to meet the "10 people or less" threshold and are excited to resume the community with our families. We are in need of 2 mentors for this program. We are also in need of 2-3 *childcare providers* for Tuesday, August 18. We are excited to move forward, in new ways, as we explore how to do Life Skills in what feels like a different world.

Guidelines for resuming:

- Classes will not exceed 10 people
- Socially distanced classroom setup
- Temperature checks at the door
- Masks required by all adults while in the building
- No dinners or communal coffee stands
- Children *over 5* will have to wear a mask while in communal spaces.

Contact **Laura VanderPloeg** for more information and to volunteer as a mentor or in childcare.

PRAYER FOCUS

Community:

- Kid's Food Basket as they continue to provide nourishing food for hungry kids in our community.
- For students, parents, teachers and staff as the new school year approaches and there are many concerns and questions that are unanswered.

Continuing Needs:

- Remember in prayer those who are not able to worship with us on Sundays and have restrictions on visitors: Gloria DeWitte, Caroline Dik, Lois Oom, Rachel Tjoelker, Phil and Char VanDommelen.
- Remember in your prayers those who have ongoing health needs and concerns: Ryan Brunink, Kristie Buchholz, Ron Dykstra, Valerie Fleming, Jo Hanenburg, Len Koetje, Jo Postema, Paul Sausser, Arv & Pearl Tap, Sharon Walcott, Tom & Donna Westra, and Don Winkle.