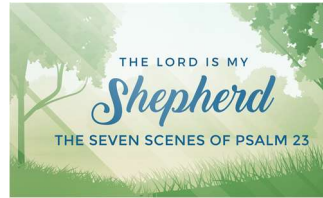


His rod and staff comfort me

Psalm 23:4, Isaiah 43:1-13



DEACONS REPORT

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on Jan 24:

Received for General Ministries: \$2,793.00
Avg. weekly collection should be: \$6,445.00
Received for Christian Education: \$358.00
Avg. weekly collection should be: \$629.20

Community Offering:

Kid's Food Basket \$130.00

Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: Harbor House Ministries believes each person is created by God with purpose and value. Their mission is to value the life of every person by providing accessible housing and in providing quality, individualized care and services for men and women with severe multiple impairments.

Feb 7: Rehoboth Christian School – Jack& Cindy Ippel

Feb 14: CRCNA- Race Relations

Feb 21: Access of West Michigan



January 31, 2021

Welcome!
We are glad you are here!

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME in our service

Also available during worship

- Nursery for infants & toddlers
- "Busy Boxes" with kid's bulletin & activities
- Puzzle & sermon notes written by Pastor Tom for students Grades 3 & up (found by weekly bulletins)

THIS WEEK

Monday, Feb 1

9am Food Pantry

Thursday, Feb 4

7pm Women's Bible Study (online)

Tuesday, Feb 2

9:15am Tuesday Small Group
6:30pm Life Skills

Sunday, Feb 7

9:30am Worship
10:30am Church School

COMING UP

ADMIN BOARD, Feb 9

BLOOD DRIVE, Feb 10

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Sherri DeVries (Custodian)

Liz Boerman (Admin Assistant)

TODAY: The catechism tells us that our only comfort in life and in death is that we belong to our faithful savior Jesus. What does that assurance look like in our world today?

NEXT WEEK: He prepares a table before me.

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LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & SONGSHEETS are available at the sound booth

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

God's Will For Our Lives

Children's Message *(Shelly Funk)*

Children age 3yrs - 5th grade are invited to come forward and choose a hoop to sit in as they hear a special message.

Profession of Faith *(Catherine Kortman)*

Prayers of the People

Scripture *Isaiah 43:1-13*

¹But now, this is what the LORD says— he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. ³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I give Egypt for your ransom, Cush and Seba in your stead. ⁴Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you, I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bring your children from the east and gather you from the west. ⁶I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Do not hold them back.' Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth— ⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made." ⁸Lead out those who have eyes but are blind, who have ears but are deaf. ⁹All the nations gather together and the peoples assemble. Which of their gods foretold this and proclaimed to us the former things? Let them bring in their witnesses to prove they were right, so that others may hear and say, "It is true." ¹⁰"You are my witnesses," declares the LORD, "and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he. Before me no god was formed, nor will there be one after me. ¹¹I, even I, am the LORD, and apart from me there is no savior. ¹²I have revealed and saved and proclaimed— I, and not some foreign god among you. You are my witnesses," declares the LORD, "that I am God. ¹³Yes, and from ancient days I am he. No one can deliver out of my hand. When I act, who can reverse it?"

Message "His rod and staff comfort me (for he is with me)"

Whom Shall I Fear (God of Angel Armies)

Cornerstone

Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)

God's Parting Blessing

CHURCH LIFE

Catherine Kortman will make her public profession of faith during our worship service.

COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Elder and Deacon Nomination forms have been placed in your mailboxes. Please place completed forms in the appropriate slot at the information desk or in the mailbox of **Tamie DeWitte** by February 7.

TUESDAY SMALL GROUP

You are invited to participate in the Tuesday morning small group. This small group of men and women plans to begin meeting again on Tuesday, February 2, 9:15-10:45. The foundation of our study will be a 5-session study, The Path to the Cross, a Ray Vander Laan DVD study. Questions? Please contact **Pastor Barb Sanders** (bsanders@fellowshipccr.com).

THIRD OFFERING

The deacons would like to inform the congregation that there will be a third offering on Sunday, February 14 for the combined ministries of Gems and Cadets. We usually have a special Sunday to celebrate these groups but they are not meeting in-person due to COVID restrictions. The offering will support these ongoing ministries.

SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN

Earn a little extra money — Fellowship is looking for a substitute custodian to fill in a few weeks this spring from March 13-27. Contact the church office for more information.

EMPTY CARD BOXES

We are looking for some empty greeting card boxes to use for a Lenten project. If you have one (or two) that you can donate, you may drop off at the church office (until Wednesday, Feb 3), or place in the basket at the welcome desk today! Thank you!

GIVING THANKS

In the last 6 months, **Donna Westra** had a series of 4 treatments for cancer. Give thanks that these treatments were possible to address the type of cancer she has. Donna writes: "I had a CT scan this past week for the purpose of finding out how the cancer was doing. The report at my doctor's appointment after that revealed that the cancer has shrunk in all areas and is now gone in many of the other areas. Praising God for His healing and faithfulness and to you all for your prayers."

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY

Lois Koetje – 2/22

PRAYER FOCUS

Recent Updates:

- **Gary Meengs** is scheduled to have hernia surgery on February 4. We pray for a successful surgery and good recovery.

Outreach:

- **Harbor House Ministries** as they provide quality, individualized care and services to men and women who live with severe, multiple impairments.

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, and Rachel Tjoelker.**
- Remember in your prayers those who have ongoing health needs and concerns: **Russ Ballinger, Rick Carter, Jean Cisler, Ron Dykstra, Valerie Fleming, Len Koetje, Gary Roode, Arv & Pearl Tap, Tom & Donna Westra.**

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER

LIFESKILLS

Life Skills is on hold for now. When class restarts the focus will be on Healthy Relationships. Please pray for the families and facilitators. Contact **Laura VanderPloeg** with questions.

BACKPACK BUDDIES

Our pantry is doing well but we do have a few requests for items which can be placed in the wooden box in the Narthex. If you are worshipping online and you need items picked up, please contact **Sandy Campo** (889-3134).

Plastic grocery bags

Chicken Helper or similar boxed pasta side dish

Canned pasta (chef boyardee, cambells, store brand, etc)

Individual snack sized bags of pretzels, popcorn, etc

Nutrigrain bars

LOVE INC FOOD PANTRY

Our food pantry has had a change of hours. We are now open on Mondays from 9am-3pm. Thank you for your ongoing support of donations. Please refer to the mid-week for a full list of needs which include:

Pancake syrup, crackers, Hamburger/Chicken Helper & laundry detergent.