He anoints my head with oil *Ecclesiastes 9:7-10* 



**TODAY**: Anointing someone with oil is not a custom we continue in our time, but the meaning behind this cultural ritual is still a part of our world today.

**ASH WEDNESDAY**: Service of Scripture and prayer [online only]

**NEXT WEEK**: Water to Wine.

### **DEACONS REPORT**

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on Feb 7:

Received for General Ministries: \$2,935.00

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

Received for Christian Education: \$260.00

Avg. weekly collection should be: \$629.20

**Community Offering:** 

Jack & Cindy Ippel/Rehoboth \$27.00

## **Upcoming Community Offerings**

**TODAY: CRCNA- Race Relations** - The Office of Race Relations provides resources to Christian Reformed members and congregations as they dismantle the causes and effects of racism within the body of believers and throughout the world. They help us to live as God's diverse and unified family as part of our Christian calling.

Feb 21: Access of West Michigan

Feb 28: CRCNA - Pastor/Church Resources

Mar 7: David & Sara Lont – Desert Streams ministries
Mar 14: World Renew – Disaster Response Services

## **THIS WEEK**

Monday, Feb 15

9am Food Pantry
7pm Worship Committee

Tuesday, Feb 16

Thursday, Feb 18

7pm Women's Bible Study (online)

Sunday, Feb 21

Sacrament of Communion

10:30am Church School

9:30am Worship

Wednesday, Feb 17

Ash Wednesday

9:15am Tuesday Small Group

COMING UP STAFF

COUNCIL. Feb 23 Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)
Sherri DeVries (Custodian)

Liz Boerman (Admin Assistant)

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**February 14, 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)

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & SONGSHEETS** are available at the sound booth

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

## **Call to Worship**

## We Profess Our Faith Together

## **Children's Message** (Jayme Morren)

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

## **Prayers of the People**

**Scripture** *Ecclesiastes 9:7-10* 

<sup>7</sup> Go, eat your food with gladness, and drink your wine with a joyful heart, for God has already approved what you do. <sup>8</sup> Always be clothed in white, and always anoint your head with oil. <sup>9</sup> Enjoy life with your wife, whom you love, all the days of this meaningless life that God has given you under the sun—all your meaningless days. For this is your lot in life and in your toilsome labor under the sun. <sup>10</sup> Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might, for in the realm of the dead, where you are going, there is neither working nor planning nor knowledge nor wisdom.

Message "He anoints my head with oil"

One Thing Remains (Your Love Never Fails)
Raise A Hallelujah
This Is Amazing Grace

## **God's Parting Blessing**

#### TODAY:

9:30am Worship10:30am Church School5:30pm Middle School Youth Group6:30pm High School Youth Group

## **CHURCH LIFE**

Next Sunday, February 21, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion together. If you are worshipping from home and would like to use the communion kits we use at Fellowship, please contact the office (lboerman@fellowshipcrc.com) to make arrangements.

Continuing this week, district Elder/Deacon teams are delivering packets of devotions and worship material for the season of Lent. If you have a child in your life that would benefit from the Lenten resources, please let the office know. We have a limited number of extra supplies of our children and youth devotional material.

#### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

The season of Lent begins this week on ASH WEDNESDAY. A service of scripture and prayer will be available online – www.fellowshipcrc.com. This is a pre-recorded service which can be accessed at any time on Wednesday.

#### THIRD OFFERING

The deacons would like to remind the congregation that there will be a third offering this morning for the combined ministries of Gems and Cadets.

#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

We are grateful to those who came to give blood. We had 24 donors for a total of 22 units. Thank you! Save May 12 for the next blood drive!

#### **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY**

Lois Koetje – 2/22

#### **THANK YOU** (\*edited to fit. Full version is in the mid-week e-mail))

I just wanted to take a moment to thank you for the offering recently sent by Fellowship. We are so thankful for your continued support, even in the middle of the pandemic and financial difficulties that it has brought.

I must tell you that Fellowship CRC is an inspiration to us. As a church here in Tulancingo, we have been supporting a mobile Bible School in Uganda. We took on this mission project many years ago and were able to personally meet the brother who is in charge of the school during our time in Uganda in 2018. Even though our church's offerings have gone down quite a bit during past year because of the pandemic, we have made the decision to do even as you have done - to continue to support our missionaries in Uganda, even in the midst of lack here at home. We believe in missions and in our missionaries! We want to be like the Philippian church, which continued to support Paul, even when they themselves were lacking in finances.

We continue to move forward with our church and the online Bible school. COVID-19 has only gotten worse in our area, with many sick and also many deaths. A pastor friend of ours traveled 12 hours to get medical attention for COVID because all nearby hospitals are full. During the Christmas season, many families got together despite the warnings, and the consequences have been very negative. Just last week another pastor we knew from Pachuca went to be with the Lord after a battle with COVID. We also lost a member of our church to it a couple of weeks ago. It is sad...

On the bright side of things, we are so happy to continue to do ministry online. We continue to have good attendance online with our Sunday meetings.

Thanks for our support! We are praying for Fellowship CRC, that the Lord would protect and provide for each member of the church, and that the vision God has given you will be fulfilled.

With love ~ David & Sara Lont

# **PRAYER FOCUS**

#### **Recent Updates:**

 Bonnie Houtstra fell on the ice and broke a wrist. She had surgery on February 5. We give thanks that surgery went well and pray for a good recovery.

#### **Denomination:**

 CRCNA – Race Relations as they work to dismantle the cause and effect of racism within the body of believers & throughout the world.

#### **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**

#### **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 worshiping online and you need items picked up, please contact **Sandy Campo** (889-3134).

Beef or Chicken chunky soups

Chicken Helper or similar boxed pasta side dish

Individual apple sauce cups

Individual snack sized bags of pretzels, popcorn, cheese or peanut butter cracker sandwiches, granola bars etc

Nutrigrain bars

#### **LOVE INC FOOD PANTRY**

We are 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.

#### 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.