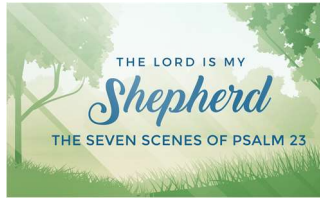


He prepares a table before me  
Luke 14:12-24



**DEACONS REPORT**

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on Jan 31:

Received for General Ministries: \$4,802.00  
Avg. weekly collection should be: \$6,445.00  
Received for Christian Education: \$603.00  
Avg. weekly collection should be: \$629.20

**Community Offering:**

Harbor House \$77.00

**Upcoming Community Offerings**

**TODAY:** Rehoboth Christian School – Jack & Cindy Ippel volunteer at Rehoboth Christian School, a Fellowship-supported mission in New Mexico. RCS was founded as a ministry to the Native American people of the Four Corners region. Today, RCS continues its ministry through education with multiculturalism as a backdrop. RCS is committed to building students up not only intellectually, but also spiritually and emotionally, helping them grow into mature Christians.

- Feb 14:** CRCNA- Race Relations
- Feb 21:** Access of West Michigan
- Feb 28:** CRCNA – Pastor/Church Resources
- Mar 7:** David & Sara Lont – Desert Streams ministries

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**THIS WEEK**

<b>Monday, Feb 8</b> 9am Food Pantry	<b>Thursday, Feb 11</b> 7pm Women’s Bible Study (online)
<b>Tuesday, Feb 9</b> 9:15am Tuesday Small Group 7pm Admin Board	<b>Sunday, Feb 14</b> 9:30am Worship 10:30am Church School 5:30pm Middle School Youth 6:30pm High School Youth
<b>Wednesday, Feb 10</b> 2pm Blood Drive	

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**COMING UP**

**WORSHIP COMMITTEE,** Feb 15  
**COUNCIL,** Feb 23

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**STAFF**

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)  
Barb Sanders (Pastor)  
Andrew Lenhart (Worship)  
Sherri DeVries (Custodian)  
Liz Boerman (Admin Assistant)

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**TODAY:** Jesus tells a story of a great banquet table, but the guestlist is a surprise no one saw coming; what does it look like to come into the banquet of God today?

**NEXT WEEK:** He anoints my head with oil.

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**February 7, 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

### Confession of Sin and Assurance of Grace

### Children's Message *(Sarah Lenhart)*

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

### GEMS highlight

### Prayers of the People

### Scripture *Luke 14:12-24*

*<sup>12</sup> Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. <sup>13</sup> But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, <sup>14</sup> and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."*

### **The Parable of the Great Banquet**

*<sup>15</sup> When one of those at the table with him heard this, he said to Jesus, "Blessed is the one who will eat at the feast in the kingdom of God." <sup>16</sup> Jesus replied: "A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests. <sup>17</sup> At the time of the banquet he sent his servant to tell those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.' <sup>18</sup> "But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said, 'I have just bought a field, and I must go and see it. Please excuse me.' <sup>19</sup> "Another said, 'I have just bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out. Please excuse me.' <sup>20</sup> "Still another said, 'I just got married, so I can't come.' <sup>21</sup> "The servant came back and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and ordered his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind and the lame.' <sup>22</sup> "'Sir,' the servant said, 'what you ordered has been done, but there is still room.' <sup>23</sup> "Then the master told his servant, 'Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in, so that my house will be full. <sup>24</sup> I tell you, not one of those who were invited will get a taste of my banquet.'"*

**Message** "He prepares a table before me"

*The Lord Our God  
Come Thou Fount (I Will Sing)  
Your Grace Is Enough*

### God's Parting Blessing

## CHURCH LIFE

Beginning this week, district Elder/Deacon teams will be delivering packets of devotions and worship material for the season of Lent.

### 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@fellowshipcpc.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 (lboerman@fellowshipcpc.com) for more information.

### THANK YOU

**Jack and Nancy Emelander** would like to thank the congregation for the many cards and other expressions of sympathy received following the death of Jack's brother, Rick. The care and support of our Fellowship family is such a blessing!

### BLOOD DRIVE

Don't Miss This Week Wednesday!! The Blood Drive will be held at our church on Wednesday, February 10 from 2-7pm Let us know that you are coming by signing up for a time (see the mid-week email for a link). Hopefully we can once again break our record with regular and first-time donors. Remember that each pint of blood can help 3 to 4 people. If you are unable to sign up online, please contact **Ellie Postma**. Walk-ins are always welcome.

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY

**Lois Koetje** – 2/22

## PRAYER FOCUS

### Recent Updates:

- **Gary Meengs** had hernia surgery on February 4. We pray for a good recovery.

### Outreach:

- **Jack & Cindy Ippel** as they continue to volunteer with Rehoboth Christian School in Gallup, NM.

### 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).  
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.