

You Shall Not Murder

Matthew 5:17-26



DEACONS REPORT

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

Received for General Ministries: \$2620.28
 Avg. weekly collection should be: \$6,445.00
 Received for Christian Education: \$474.00
 Avg. weekly collection should be: \$629.20

Community Offering:

Women At Risk \$278.51

Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: ReFrame Ministries' desire is to see the Gospel change the hearts and lives of people all around the globe. Evangelism and discipleship take many forms — audio and video materials presented on radio, television, cell phone, Internet, CDs and DVDs; social networking sites; and print media. They use these relevant forms of media to reach individuals, giving them access to the Gospel message in their own language every single day.

May 23: ICCF

May 30: CRCNA – Worship Ministries

June 6: Rehoboth Christian Schools – Ippels

June 13: Love INC

THIS WEEK

Monday, May 17

9am Food Pantry

Tuesday, May 18

9:15am Tuesday Small group

6:30pm Life Skills

Thursday, May 20

7pm Women's Bible Study (online)

Sunday, May 23

9:30am Worship

10:30am Church School

5:30pm Middle School Youth Group

6:30pm High School Youth Group

COMING UP

LIFE SKILLS, May 25

FULL COUNCIL, May 25

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Sherri DeVries (Custodian)

Liz Boerman (Admin Assistant)

TODAY: The sixth commandment is about more than murder; it is about the intrinsic value of all human life, and the call of God's people to promote the *shalom-flourishing* of all human life.

NEXT WEEK: The fourth commandment is about more than just a day for church; it is about a pattern of sabbath rest which sets our hearts upon God in all our days.

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Welcome!
We are glad you are here!

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME in our service

Also available during worship

- Nursery for infants & toddlers (*currently unstaffed)
- "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

God's Will For Our Lives

Graduate Recognition

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.

Welcome New Members

Prayers of the People

Scripture *Matthew 5:17-26*

²¹ "You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.' ²² But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, 'Raca,' is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell.

²³ "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴ leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift.

²⁵ "Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison. ²⁶ Truly I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.

Message "Invitation to Live [you shall not murder]"

I Will Follow

Exalted Over All

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY:

9:30am Worship

10:30am Church School

CHURCH LIFE

COFFEE

Coffee will be available after the service outdoors in the patio area (weather permitting).

SUMMER WORSHIP TIMES

Beginning May 30 (Memorial Day weekend) Fellowship Church will be moving our Sunday worship time to **10:00am** for the summer.

WELCOME

Today we welcome recent new members at Fellowship Church. **Dean & Dinorah Dykstra** with their children **Michael, Lucas & William. Kavadias Ntezingoma** with his daughter **Nadine Kavadias** and her fiancé **Mugabe Bonfils**.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP

Outdoor worship returns this summer. Beginning in June, we will meet outdoors for worship on the first and third Sundays of the month (June 6 and June 20). More details coming soon.

CHURCH SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

The last day of children's worship and church school for this ministry year is May 23. Since the curriculum varies and we had various Covid related adjustments, the last day for some classes might be another May Sunday.

THANK YOU!

Bethany Christian Services and the CRCNA-Resonate Global Mission on behalf of Jesse and Jari Rodriguez have expressed their appreciation for Fellowship's support through our community offerings and prayers.

PRAYER FOCUS

Recent Updates:

- God called **Caroline Dik** to her heavenly home on Saturday, May 8. Caroline was a member of Fellowship since 1996 and a friend to many in our congregation. We extend our sympathy to Caroline's family. Pray that this family will know God's faithful presence with them during this time. (Cards may be sent to the family c/o Ann Swagman 6814 Sunrise Ct. SE Grand Rapids, MI 49546).

Outreach:

- **Reframe Ministries** as they use multiple forms of media to reach individuals, giving them access to the Gospel message in their own language every day.

Continuing Needs:

- Remember in prayer those who are not able to worship with us on Sundays and have restrictions on visitors: **Gloria DeWitte, Lois Oom, and Rachel Tjoelker**.
- Remember in your prayers those who have ongoing health needs and concerns: **Rick Carter, Jean Cisler, Valerie Fleming, Len Koetje, Arv & Pearl Tap, Mary Visser, Tom & Donna Westra**.

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER

BLOOD DRIVE

We had a great blood drive on Wednesday, May 12. We had 28 people sign in and 32 units of blood were donated. Thank you to all who gave. Our next blood drive is on September 8!

LIFESKILLS

Praise God we are back in-person on Tuesday evenings. We had three families start the Life Skills Budget class taught by **Brad Byl. Sandy Campo** is providing supervision for one MS student. Thank you for continuing to support this ministry through prayer and financial donations. God is at work! If you would like to know more talk to **Laura VanderPloeg**.

BACKPACK BUDDIES

This year has been one of school deliveries and home deliveries to get food to our buddies. We always have had enough to share generously with the kids and this is due to the constant giving of our Fellowship Church members. We have just a few weeks of school remaining, our pantry is well stocked and we have all that we need to finish the year and to prep for school in the fall. God is so good **-Thank you** for being his hands in our community.

LOVE INC FOOD PANTRY

We are open on Mondays from 9am-3pm. Thanks for your ongoing support of donations.

Did you know that we can earn money for the food pantry by collecting Family Fare receipts? Drop yours in the slot at the Welcome Desk!