

How to Pray

Psalm 42-43



DEACONS REPORT

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on July 1:

Received for General Ministries:	\$5,923.60
Avg. weekly collection should be:	\$6,445.00
Received for Christian Education:	\$330.00
Avg. weekly collection should be:	\$629.20

Community Offering:

Resonate/Jesse & Jari Rodriguez	\$340.51
Stuff the Bus	\$197.00

Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: Women At Risk unites and educates to create circles of protection around those at risk through culturally sensitive, value-added intervention projects. Founded in Grand Rapids, they also engage the local community in volunteer service and educational events.

August 15: Harbor House

August 22: Backpack Buddies

August 29: Tent Schools



August 8, 2021

Welcome!
We are glad you are here!

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME in our service

Also available during worship

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

THIS WEEK

Monday, Aug 9
9am Food Pantry

Tuesday, Aug 10
9:15am Tuesday Small Group
6:15pm Life Skills
7pm Admin Board

Sunday, August 15
10am Worship
11:15am Adult Bible Study

COMING UP

ELDERS/DEACONS, August 24

FULL COUNCIL, August 24

STAFF

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

TODAY: Prayer is not only the church's way of expressing petitions to God; it is also God's way of petitioning our hearts to receive his grace.

NEXT WEEK: The Bible is a rather complex collection of writings over two-thousand years old; how do we best read and apply its message into our world today?

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LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & SONGSHEETS are available at the sound booth

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

*Blessed Be Your Name
Praise To The Lord The Almighty
You Alone Can Rescue*

We Profess Our Faith Together

Prayers of the People

Scripture *Psalm 42-43*

*¹ As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God.
² My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with
God? ³ My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me
all day long, "Where is your God?" ⁴ These things I remember as I pour out
my soul: how I used to go to the house of God under the protection of the
Mighty One with shouts of joy and praise among the festive throng. ⁵ Why,
my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in
God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God. ⁶ My soul is downcast
within me; therefore I will remember you from the land of the Jordan, the
heights of Hermon—from Mount Mizar. ⁷ Deep calls to deep in the roar of
your waterfalls; all your waves and breakers have swept over me. ⁸ By day
the Lord directs his love, at night his song is with me a prayer to the God of
my life. ⁹ I say to God my Rock, "Why have you forgotten me? Why must I go
about mourning, oppressed by the enemy?" ¹⁰ My bones suffer mortal agony
as my foes taunt me, saying to me all day long, "Where is your God?"
¹¹ Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your
hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.*

Psalm 43

*¹ Vindicate me, my God, and plead my cause against an unfaithful nation.
Rescue me from those who are deceitful and wicked. ² You are God my
stronghold. Why have you rejected me? Why must I go about mourning,
oppressed by the enemy? ³ Send me your light and your faithful care, let
them lead me; let them bring me to your holy mountain, to the place where
you dwell. ⁴ Then I will go to the altar of God, to God, my joy and my delight.
I will praise you with the lyre, O God, my God. ⁵ Why, my soul, are you
downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet
praise him, my Savior and my God.*

Message "How To Pray"

*Lord Listen To Your Children
Lord I Need You*

God's Parting Blessing

CHURCH LIFE

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Class begins following worship and ends at noon. Please feel free to join us.
For more information, contact **Mike Philo** (lmp hilo@aol.com) or **Dave Cook**
(dcook@calvin.edu).

THANK YOU

Thank you for the cake Sunday to celebrate our recent anniversary. Thank
you to the ladies who served. Thank you also for the overwhelming number
of cards, well wishes & other expressions of care in honor of our anniversary.
~ **Len & Lois Koetje**.

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 (Grand Brook Memory Care #29A, 5281 Wilson Ave
SW Wyoming MI 49418)

FRUITS OF FELLOWSHIP

Print copies of the 1st edition of the new Fruits of Fellowship are available at
the welcome desk. A link was available in the mid-week email for those who
prefer to read online.

MISSIONARY UPDATE

We have received a newsletter from **Jesse & Jari Rodriguez** which can be
found on the missionary bulletin board outside **Pastor Tom's** office, or you
can view a copy online in this week's mid-week e-mail.

PRAYER FOCUS

Recent Updates:

- **Pearl Tap** passed away on July 29. We pray for Arv and the Tap family to know God's comfort and peace.
- **Marv Houtstra** has returned home following hospitalization for a lung infection. Pray for **Marv** and **Bonnie** as he undergoes more testing in the coming week.
- **Steve Westra** has returned home following back surgery and we pray for continued healing.

Local Outreach:

- **Women at Risk (WAR)** as they create circles of protection around those at risk and as they provide safe places to heal from abuse, trafficking, exploitation, and more. Their passion is to empower survivors to live and work with dignity and hope.

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: **Mike Campo, Rick Carter, Jean Cisler, Valerie Fleming, Len Koetje, Randy Kraker, Tom & Donna Westra**.

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER

LOVE INC FOOD PANTRY

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

- Condiments (Ketchup, mustard, relish)
- Salad dressings (Ranch, 1000 Island)
- Mayo
- Taco sauce
- Tortilla shells (hard & soft)
- Salsa
- Pasta shells
- Canned peas and carrots
- Crackers
- Pancake syrup

Keep bringing your Family Fare receipts (slot in Welcome Desk). We are getting close to our goal!

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES

THANK YOU for your generous support for the Back to School supplies for Central Elementary! What fun the children will have searching through their new backpacks!

BLOOD DRIVE

Our next blood drive is scheduled for September 8. To sign up online go to <https://bit.ly/fellowshipcrcsept21>. Contact **Myrna Koning** with questions.