

LOVE God

1 John 2:3-11



DEACONS REPORT

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on Sept 5:

Received for General Ministries:	\$8,072.37
Avg. weekly collection should be:	\$6,445.00
Received for Christian Education:	\$605.56
Avg. weekly collection should be:	\$629.20

Community Offering:

Mission French Africa/Mpindi \$62.62

Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: Kid's Food Basket - 1 in 5 Michigan children are affected by hunger and thousands of West Michigan children are food insecure. Kids' Food Basket began over a decade ago by serving 125 kids each school day through their Sack Supper program and now serve nearly 8,200 kids each weekday in West Michigan. Children who may lack a nourishing evening meal receive a Sack Supper at the end of each school day, eliminating any barriers to access. Access to these meals provides nutrition to fuel healthy development, helps to break the cycle of poverty, and builds stronger communities.

September 19: Safe Church Ministries

September 26: Family Network of Wyoming

October 3: Rehoboth Christian School/Ippels

THIS WEEK

Monday, Sept 13

9am Food Pantry

Tuesday, Sept 14

9:15am Tuesday Small Group

6pm Life Skills

7pm Admin Board

Thursday, Sept 16

6:30pm Classis Grandville

Sunday, Sept 19

9:30am Worship

10:30am Church School

11am Adult Bible Study

5pm Middle School Youth Group

6pm High School Youth Group

COMING UP

WORSHIP COMMITTEE, Sept 23

ELDERS/DEACONS, Sept 28

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Sherri DeVries (Custodian)

Liz Boerman (Admin Assistant)

TODAY: The mission of the church is centered in God's love for the world; our connection to the love of God frames our actions as followers of Jesus.

NEXT WEEK: The mission of the church is to reach into the lives of people; our commitment to growing meaningful relationships frames our actions as followers of Jesus.

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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 Bags" 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

*Great Things
How Great Thou Art*

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Grace

Prayers of the People

Scripture 1 John 2:3-11

³ We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands. ⁴ Whoever says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in that person. ⁵ But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them. This is how we know we are in him: ⁶ Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did. ⁷ Dear friends, I am not writing you a new command but an old one, which you have had since the beginning. This old command is the message you have heard. ⁸ Yet I am writing you a new command; its truth is seen in him and in you, because the darkness is passing and the true light is already shining. ⁹ Anyone who claims to be in the light but hates a brother or sister is still in the darkness. ¹⁰ Anyone who loves their brother and sister lives in the light, and there is nothing in them to make them stumble. ¹¹ But anyone who hates a brother or sister is in the darkness and walks around in the darkness. They do not know where they are going, because the darkness has blinded them.

Message "LOVE God"

*What A Beautiful Name
Beautiful One*

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY:

9:30am Worship
10:40am Meet & greet teachers and youth leaders
11am Lunch

CHURCH LIFE

DEACON UPDATE

The deacons would like to remind the congregation that there will be a collection this morning for Denominational Ministry Shares (DMS). Each church that is a member of the Christian Reformed Church of North America is encouraged to support our denomination with contributions called ministry shares. Ministry shares allow us to combine our funds to do more than we could do on our own as an individual congregation.

MEET & GREET and LUNCH TODAY!

You are invited to stay after worship to meet church school teachers and youth group leaders. At 11am we will enjoy lunch together and you are invited to join us!

WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP

You are invited to join a six-week study titled *Perfect Love: Pursuing Intimacy with Christ through the Song of Solomon* by Lisa Harper which began September 9. The meetings will be Thursday evenings over Zoom from 7:00-8:00. (See mid-week email for more details). Please let **Laura VanderPloeg** know that you are planning to attend.

SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

- Sunday Bible Study Group which meets weekly following the morning worship service. Contact **Dave Cook** or **Mike Philo**.
- Tuesday morning small group meets weekly. Contact **Pastor Barb**.
- Men's Bible Study groups are beginning this month on Thursday mornings. Contact **Pastor Tom**.
- Women's small group meets weekly on Thursday evenings. Contact **Laura VanderPloeg**.
- Interested in beginning a new small group. Contact **Pastor Barb**.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Bob Eggerding - 9/1 (4760 Sheri Lynn Dr Wyoming MI 49519)

Bonnie Houtstra - 9/23 (4253 Redbush Dr Grandville MI 49418)

We give thanks for their lives and wish them God's continued blessings.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to:

Gary & Pam Meengs who will celebrate their **49th** anniversary on September 21!

Randy & Cathy Kraker who will celebrate their **50th** anniversary on September 25!

We give thanks for their lives and their marriages. May they continue to know God's faithful presence with them.

FRUITS OF FELLOWSHIP

The 2nd edition of the Fruits of Fellowship Newsletter is available at the Welcome desk. Please let the office know if additional copies are needed.

PRAYER FOCUS

Recent Updates:

- For **Marv & Bonnie Houtstra** as Marv is scheduled to begin chemo treatments on Wednesday.

Outreach:

- **Kids Food Basket** as they continue to serve the thousands of West Michigan children who are food insecure by providing sack suppers.

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, Marv Houtstra, Len Koetje, Randy Kraker, Arv Tap, Rog Visser, Steve Westra, 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 include:

Cereal (kids), snack crackers, mustard, mayo, salsa, canned chicken, Tuna, ravioli, apple sauce, fruit cocktail, wax beans, facial tissue, paper towel, toilet paper, bar soap, laundry detergent and fabric softener/dryer sheets.

BLOOD DRIVE

Thank you to all who gave on Wednesday – look for an update next week!

BACKPACK BUDDIES

School is back in session and we have 16 children who will return to Central Elementary.

Our pantry needs for October deliveries will be collected in September and include: *Chicken or Beef chunky Soup, Canned Pastas (Chef Boyardee, etc), Applesauce, and snacks (individual pretzels, popcorn, granola bars)*. Please place items in the wooden box in the lobby. Thank you to all who make this a success and for our team of volunteers who pack and deliver each week. **Sandy Campo** 616-889-3134

LIFE SKILLS

Life Skills continues to meet on Tuesday evenings for class here at Fellowship. We are in need of:

- Volunteers to prepare and serve dinner on September 14
- 2 Volunteers to serve in childcare
- We have a specific need for a *bi-lingual* volunteer as we have a few new participants for whom English is a second language. A translator would be an amazing provision!

Contact **Laura VanderPloeg** (tlvanderploeg@gmail.com) for information and to sign up.