

SERVE Community

Mark 6:30-44



DEACONS REPORT

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on Sept 19:

Received for General Ministries:	\$4,589.97
Avg. weekly collection should be:	\$6,445.00
Received for Christian Education:	\$135.56
Avg. weekly collection should be:	\$629.20

Community Offering:

CRCNA Safe Church	\$56.51
Denominational Ministry Shares	\$50.00

Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: Family Network of Wyoming mission is to provide dignity and love like Jesus by bringing people together to build stronger, healthier communities. They are a faith-based nonprofit organization that is dedicated to nourishment for a strong community by providing a food pantry, durable medical equipment, and other services including their Christmas Store project.

October 3: Rehoboth Christian School/Ippels

October 10: World Vision

October 17: CRC Disability Concerns

THIS WEEK

Monday, Sept 27

9am Food Pantry

Tuesday, Sept 28

9:15am Tuesday Small Group

6pm Life Skills

7pm Elders/Deacons

Thursday, Sept 30

6:30am Men's Bible Study

7pm Women's Bible Study (online)

Sunday, Oct 3

Sacrament of Communion

9:30am Worship

10:30am Church School

11am Adult Bible Study

COMING UP

ADMIN, Oct 12

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, Oct 14

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Sherri DeVries (Custodian)

Liz Boerman (Admin Assistant)

TODAY: The mission of the church sends us out to serve others; the way in which we serve our local community frames our actions as followers of Jesus.

NEXT WEEK: Pastor Tom begins a new series on God's invitation to live wholeheartedly; we will consider what it means to be people who are wholehearted.

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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

*Exalted Over All
Our God
One Thing Remains (Your Love Never Fails)*

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Grace

Prayers of the People

Scripture *Mark 6:30-44*

³⁰ *The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. ³¹ Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, “Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.”*

³² *So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. ³³ But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.*

³⁵ *By this time it was late in the day, so his disciples came to him. “This is a remote place,” they said, “and it’s already very late. ³⁶ Send the people away so that they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.”*

³⁷ *But he answered, “You give them something to eat.”*

They said to him, “That would take more than half a year’s wages! Are we to go and spend that much on bread and give it to them to eat?”

³⁸ *“How many loaves do you have?” he asked. “Go and see.”*

When they found out, they said, “Five—and two fish.”

³⁹ *Then Jesus directed them to have all the people sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰ So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. ⁴¹ Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. ⁴² They all ate and were satisfied, ⁴³ and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces of bread and fish. ⁴⁴ The number of the men who had eaten was five thousand.*

Message “SERVE Community”

Give Us Your Heart

God’s Parting Blessing

TODAY:

9:30am Worship
10:30am Church School
11am Adult Bible Study

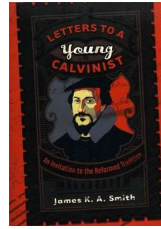
CHURCH LIFE

Next Sunday, October 3 we will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion together.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

We have been studying the letters of Peter to the early church. Class begins at 11:00 and ends at 11:45. Please feel free to join us. If you would like more information, contact **Mike Philo** (lmphilo@aol.com) or **Dave Cook** (dcook@calvin.edu).

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY



Men’s Bible Study meets this Thursday, September 30 from 6:30-7:30am at *Red Geranium Café*. This week we are looking at chapters 2 & 3 in *Letters to a Young Calvinist*. Contact **Pastor Tom** for a copy of the book and for additional details.

SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

- Tuesday morning small group meets weekly. Contact **Pastor Barb**.
- Women’s small group meets weekly on Thursday evenings. Contact **Laura VanderPloeg**.
- Interested in beginning a new small group. Contact **Pastor Barb**.

PRAYER FOCUS

Outreach:

- **Family Network of Wyoming** as they work toward their mission of providing dignity and loving like Jesus by bringing people together to build stronger, healthier communities.

Continuing Needs:

- Pray for those who journey with grief following the recent death of a loved one. Within our congregation we remember the families of Ron Dykstra and Pearl Tap who passed away during this past year.
- 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. Our Church Pantry has been visited by **14 families** in the last **2 weeks** making our shelves looking sparse. Some items we could use are:

Cereal, Canned Tuna, Tuna and Hamburger helper, Pancake syrup and Pancake mix, Salsa, Canned pasta, Spaghetti Noodles, Mustard, Mayo, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Laundry Detergent, Bar Soap, Toothbrushes and Toothpaste, Kleenex.

Keep bringing your Family Fare receipts (slot in Welcome Desk). We are getting close to our goal! Thank you for your ongoing support of donations.

BACKPACK BUDDIES

We currently have **33 children** from Central Elementary in our program. Feeding America continues to be a good source for many needed food items through the CARES and USDA programs but some items we use are not available through the agency. Our needs for the coming weeks include:

- *Chicken or Beef chunky Soup*
- *Canned Pastas (Chef Boyardee, etc)*
- *snacks (individual pretzels, popcorn, granola bars).*
- Cash donations or gift cards to Meijer, Aldi & Costco can be given through the deacons.

Please place items in the wooden box in the lobby. Thank you for showing Christ’s love to our neighbors through your support of this ministry ~ **Sandy Campo** 616-889-3134.