

All In- Samuel
1 Samuel 3:1-10



God calls Samuel
(and other inconvenient disruptions)

The life of faith is meant to _____ us

TODAY: Samuel’s call from God came as an inconvenient disruption; how do we respond when inconvenient disruptions come our way?
NEXT WEEK: Perhaps the bravest step of faith we see in the Old Testament happened when the shepherd boy, David, faced the giant, Goliath, with nothing more than a sling and some stones; how does that story help us face giants in our world today?

DEACONS REPORT

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on Jan 16:

Received for General Ministries: \$3,388.28
Avg. weekly collection should be: \$6,445.00
Received for Christian Education: \$165.00
Avg. weekly collection should be: \$629.20

Community Offering:

Pregnancy Resource Center \$580.00

Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: Mission Aviation Fellowship

Millions of people around the world live cut-off from all this and more by either geographic barriers—like jungles, mountains, and deserts—or by social, political, or religious barriers. MAF desires to see isolated people changed by the love of Christ by serving together to bring help, hope, and healing through aviation.

January 30: Kid’s Food Basket
February 6: Rehoboth Christian School (Ippel’s)
February 13: ACCESS of West Michigan

Monday, Jan 24

Tuesday, Jan 25
9:15am Tuesday Morning Small Group
6pm Life Skills
7pm Elders Meeting
7pm Deacon Meeting

Wednesday, Jan 26

Thursday, Jan 27

Friday, Jan 28

Saturday, Jan 29

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

COMING UP

SOCIAL GATHERING, Feb 1
BLOOD DRIVE, Feb 2
YOUTH GROUP, Feb 6
ADMIN MEETING, Feb 8

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)
Barb Sanders (Pastor)
Andrew Lenhart (Worship)
Laura Williams (Admin Assistant)
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January 23, 2022

Welcome!
We are glad you are here!

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME in our service

Also available during worship

- Nursery for infants & toddlers
- “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

*The Reason
Exalted Over All
Your Grace Is Enough*

Prayers of the People

Scripture 1 Samuel 3:1-10

The Lord Calls Samuel

3 The boy Samuel ministered before the Lord under Eli. In those days the word of the Lord was rare; there were not many visions.

2 One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. 3 The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the Lord, where the ark of God was. 4 Then the Lord called Samuel. Samuel answered, "Here I am." 5 And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down.

6 Again the Lord called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

"My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down."

7 Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord: The word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him.

8 A third time the Lord called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

Then Eli realized that the Lord was calling the boy. 9 So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

10 The Lord came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!"

Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Message "Samuel"

*Be Thou My Vision
Your Words*

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY:

9:30am Worship
10:30am Church School
11am Adult Bible Study
5pm Youth Group-Middle School
6pm Youth Group-High School

CHURCH LIFE

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Next Week, on January 30, there will be a Q&A time after the morning service to review the proposed 2022 church budget. On February 6, after the morning service, there will be a vote on the proposed 2022 church budget.

ELDER/DEACON NOMINATION FORMS

Nomination forms were placed in mailboxes. Please prayerfully consider who you would like to nominate and return them to the marked slot at the Welcome Desk by Sunday, February 6.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY

All are invited to join - Sundays at 11am in room 10. Questions? Contact **Mike Philo** (lphilos@aol.com) or **Dave Cook** (dcook@calvin.edu).

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

All who are available to join this group are welcome to join us at 9:15 – 10:45am. Questions? Contact **Barb Sanders**.

WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP

A new Zoom study began this past Thursday evening at 7 pm. The topic is Grace using the book *When Strivings Cease: Replacing the Gospel of Self-Improvement with the Gospel of Grace* with Ruth Chou Simons. Let **Laura VanderPloeg** know you would like to join.

SOCIAL GATHERING

The February gathering is scheduled for Tuesday, February 1, from 1-3pm here at Fellowship. All who are available to attend are welcome. Questions? Contact **Myrna Koning, Ellie Postma, Diane Rhonda, Sharon Walcott, or Barb Sanders**.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To **Ann Aardema** who will be celebrating her birthday January 24. Cards can be sent to: 2942 Porter Ct., Grandville, MI 49418

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to **Tom and Donna Westra** who will celebrate their 58th wedding anniversary on January 31! We give thanks for their lives and their marriage. May they continue to know God's faithful presence with them.

Dear Fellowship Family,

Thank you so much for sharing our sorrow in the death of Marv with your prayers, cards, meals, plant basket, and verbal expressions of care and love. They all mean so much to us. We would also like to give a special thanks to Pastor Tom and Pastor Barb.

Bonnie Houtstra and Jeff & Tamie DeWitte

Fellowship Church is pleased to welcome **Laura Williams** onto our church staff as the office Administrative Assistant. All correspondence for the church office can be sent to Laura at (616) 532-2350 ext. 100 or llwilliams@fellowshipcrc.com.

PRAYER FOCUS

- For **Mission Aviation Fellowship** as they connect isolated peoples around the world with the love of Christ by bringing help, hope, and healing through aviation.
- For the **Love Food Pantry** and the families that receive support through this ministry.
- Remember in prayer those who are not able to worship with us on Sundays: **Gloria DeWitte, Lois Oom, and Rachel Tjoelker**.
- Remember in your prayers those who have ongoing health needs and concerns: **Rick Carter, Valerie Fleming, and Len Koetje**.

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER

BLOOD DRIVE

Our next blood drive is scheduled for Wednesday, February 2, from 2-7pm. To sign up, go to <https://bit.ly/fellowshipcrcfeb2022> or you can sign up on the M&CC bulletin board. We also will need goodies for the canteen, sign up on the M&CC bulletin board to provide for those donating blood. Contact **Myrna Koning** with any questions.

FOOD PANTRY

Thank you for your continued support as we serve our community. Some items we could use are:

Paper towels, toilet paper, shampoo, conditioner, hand soap, hand sanitizer, cereal (cold cereals for kids), laundry soap (large containers), body wash, body lotion, mouthwash, and juice

Thank You! – Food Pantry Staff

BACKPACK BUDDIES

Our needs for the coming weeks include:

fruit cups, canned pasta (i.e. Chef Boyardee type meals), canned soup, tuna helper, granola bars or other snack items (without peanuts please), and plastic grocery bags.

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.