

Fruit of the Spirit: PEACE

John 14:15-27



FROM THE DEACONS

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received April 24-May 1:

Received for general ministries:	\$ 17,161.00
Received for Christian Education:	\$ 6,236.00
Community Offering: 70x7	\$ 255.00
Backpack Buddies	\$ 21.00

Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: Mission French Africa-Mpindi

Paul and Charlotte Mpindi are missionaries supported by Fellowship. Mission French Africa is a radio and discipleship ministry which exists to preach and teach the Gospel to win French speaking Africans to Christ, to disciple African Christians in Biblical stewardship, and encourage the Body of Christ in America. They have three follow-up centers in Africa (Congo, Central African Republic, and Benin), where more than 10,000 visitors come monthly for pastoral counseling, discipleship, and spiritual mentoring.

- May 15: Women at Risk
- May 22: Safe Haven
- May 29: Pine Rest

THIS WEEK

Monday, May 9

5pm Golf League

Tuesday, May 10

9:15am Tuesday Small Group

1pm Social Gathering –

The Silvertones

6pm Life Skills

7pm Exec. Meeting

Wednesday, May 11

2pm Blood Drive

Thursday, May 12

Friday, May 13

Saturday, May 14

Sunday, May 15

9:30am Worship

10:30am Church School

11am Adult Bible Study

COMING UP

YOUTH GROUP, May 22

COUNCIL, May 24

STAFF

Tom Vanderploeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Laura Williams (Admin Assistant)

Katherine Sneller (Custodian)

May 8, 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

TODAY: The Fruit of the Spirit: PEACE – Peace is more than simply the absence of conflict; it is the active presence of God which results in the flourishing of his creation.

NEXT WEEK: The Fruit of the Spirit: PATIENCE

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Fill This Place

The Reason

The Lord Our God

Prayers of the People

Scripture *John 14:15-27*

Jesus Promises the Holy Spirit

¹⁵ "If you love me, obey my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. ¹⁷ He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you! ¹⁸ No, I will not abandon you as orphans—I will come to you. ¹⁹ Soon the world will no longer see me, but you will see me. Since I live, you also will live. ²⁰ When I am raised to life again, you will know that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹ Those who accept my commandments and obey them are the ones who love me. And because they love me, my Father will love them. And I will love them and reveal myself to each of them."

²² Judas (not Judas Iscariot, but the other disciple with that name) said to him, "Lord, why are you going to reveal yourself only to us and not to the world at large?"

²³ Jesus replied, "All who love me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and we will come and make our home with each of them. ²⁴ Anyone who doesn't love me will not obey me. And remember, my words are not my own. What I am telling you is from the Father who sent me. ²⁵ I am telling you these things now while I am still with you. ²⁶ But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you.

²⁷ "I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid."

Message "Peace"

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Whom Shall I Fear (God of Angel Armies)

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY

9:30am Worship

10:30am Church School

CHURCH LIFE

BAPTISM On Sunday, May 15, we have the joy of celebrating the baptism of **Ryker VanderKlok** during the worship service.

ADULT EDUCATION On Sunday, May 22, Pastor Tom will lead an adult education session after the worship service detailing the history of the Christian Reformed Church's stance on human sexuality issues, and outlining the current position of the Christian Reformed Church on these matters.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY Please note that Adult Bible Study will not meet today.

SOCIAL GATHERING Join us for an afternoon of fun, food, and fellowship on May 10. The *Silvertones* will be entertaining us with songs from the past at 1pm in the Fellowship Room. Coffee and cake will be provided. Please sign up on the bulletin board or go to https://bit.ly/SG_may_10 to RSVP to this event. A freewill offering will be taken to cover expenses.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION On May 22 we will be recognizing the graduates of high school, college, and beyond. If you or your son/daughter is graduating high school, college, or grad school (or graduated mid-year), please complete an info sheet found at the information desk. Once it is completed, please return it with a digital photo to the office by **TODAY**, May 8. You may also e-mail your information to lwilliams@fellowshipcrc.com.

FUNDRAISER To offset some costs of the renovation of the new Youth Room, the Youth Group is doing a couple of fundraisers. First, starting this week, we are holding a Pop Can Drive that will run through the month of June. Simply drop off your cans and bottles here at church in the special boxes located in the back fellowship room. Second, we plan to hold a car wash here at church on June 4th - more details to follow.

LIFE SKILLS Life Skills Volunteer Opportunities- May 24 is the next time FCRC is scheduled to provide a meal and childcare. Please let **Laura Vanderploeg** know if you can help.

I want to thank all those who reached out to me after the house fire. I received cards, gift cards, and prayers. Others gave clothes, food, a Bible, and blankets. Thanks again for everything. God is Good.

Jo Postema

PRAYER FOCUS

- Continue to pray for **Evan and Jun Ling He Zeng and family**. Pray as Jun Ling has a doctor's appointment this week regarding possible treatment for an arachnoid cyst.
- For **Mission French Africa and Paul and Charlotte Mpindi** as they disciple to those living in French speaking Africa. Pray that their ministry reaches those who need to hear the news of Christ. Also give thanks that their recent month-long trip to Africa was a success.
- 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, Len Koetje, Jo Hanenburg, Bonnie Houtstra, Bob Agents and Mary Wood-Agents, Tom Vlietstra**.

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER

BLOOD DRIVE Our next blood drive is **THIS WEEK** Wednesday, May 11, from 2-7pm. Go to <https://bit.ly/frcrblooddrivemay2022> to sign up 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 We are continuing to collect receipts from Family Fare to our next goal. Please put them in the marked slot at the information center. Thank You!

BACKPACK BUDDIES If you would like to donate to the Backpack Buddies ministry, our food requests for the next month include:

- canned chunky style soups - Beef or Chicken
- TUNA helper type side dishes
- applesauce cups
- granola bars and other snack items
- 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.