

Anticipation (part 3) - on the horizon

Micah 4:1-8, Mark 1:2-8



FROM THE DEACONS

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received Nov 21-Dec 4:

Received for general ministries:	\$ 13,422.00
Received for Christian Education:	\$ 1,230.00
Community Offering:	
Desert Streams-Lonts	\$ 625.00
Resonate-Rodriguez	\$ 970.00
Rehoboth Chr. School	\$ 300.00
BackPack Buddies	\$ 100.00
Luke Society	\$ 25.00
FCRC Food Pantry	\$ 885.00

Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: Denominational Ministry Shares (DMS)

The Christian Reformed Church uses ministry shares to fund a variety of ministry programs that start new churches, train servant leaders, support chaplains, resource congregations, and reach out to our neighbors through media and evangelism.

December 18: Wycliffe Bible Translators

December 25: Harbor House

January 1: Mission French Africa (Mpindi)

THIS WEEK

Monday, Dec 12

7pm Exec

Tuesday, Dec 13

9:15am Tuesday Small Group

1pm Social Gathering

6pm Life Skills

Wednesday, Dec 14

Thursday, Dec 15

Friday, Dec 16

Saturday, Dec 17

Sunday, Dec 18

9:30am Worship

After Service Carol Sing

10:30am Church School

10:45am Adult Bible Study

COMING UP

Dec 21 Blood Drive

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Laura Williams (Admin Assistant)

Katherine Sneller (Custodian)

Barb Van Ryn (Youth Group)

December 11, 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: third week of advent — The prophet Micah gives us a glimpse into the renewed world which follows the coming of God's Messiah; it is a glimpse that helps give direction for us today.

NEXT WEEK: fourth week of advent

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Micah 4:1-8

The Mountain of the Lord

⁴ In the last days

the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established

as the highest of the mountains;
it will be exalted above the hills,
and peoples will stream to it.

² Many nations will come and say,

"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,

to the temple of the God of Jacob.
He will teach us his ways,
so that we may walk in his paths."

The law will go out from Zion,
the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

³ He will judge between many peoples
and will settle disputes for strong nations far
and wide.

They will beat their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks.
Nation will not take up sword against nation,
nor will they train for war anymore.

⁴ Everyone will sit under their own vine
and under their own fig tree,
and no one will make them afraid,
for the Lord Almighty has spoken.

⁵ All the nations may walk
in the name of their gods,
but we will walk in the name of the Lord
our God for ever and ever.

The Lord's Plan

⁶ "In that day," declares the Lord,

"I will gather the lame;
I will assemble the exiles
and those I have brought to grief.

⁷ I will make the lame my remnant,
those driven away a strong nation.

The Lord will rule over them in Mount Zion
from that day and forever.

⁸ As for you, watchtower of the flock,
stronghold of Daughter Zion,
the former dominion will be restored to you;
kingship will come to Daughter Jerusalem."

Call to Worship

*O Come All Ye Faithful
Hark the Herald Angels Sing*

Candle of Joy

The First Noel

Prayers of the People

Scripture

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Joy to the World

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY

9:30am Worship
10:30am Church School
10:45am Adult Bible Study

CHURCH LIFE

The Deacons are requesting that all giving for the 2022 calendar year be received by Sunday December 25 in order to be recorded on your 2022 giving statement. Thank you!

PLEDGES Pledge forms were placed in your mailbox. Please return pledges to the marked slot at the information center by Sunday, December 25.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY The class time will begin around 15 minutes after the end worship and will end 45 minutes later. All are welcome to attend. Questions? contact **Mike Philo** (LMPHILO@aol.com) or **Dave Cook** (dcook@calvin.edu). *There will be no Adult Bible Study December 25th or January 1st.*

POP CANS Youth Group's Pop Can Drive is BACK! Please drop off your cans here at church in the special boxes located in either the Fellowship room or the Youth room. Funds raised will go to off-set the cost of the Youth room renovation. The drive will run through the end of December.

DECEMBER SOCIAL GATHERING The December monthly gathering is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13, 1-3 pm here at Fellowship. Plans are to play Bingo, sing some Christmas carols, and a time of refreshments. If you have a white elephant gift, please take for Bingo prizes. All who are available to attend are welcome. Questions? Contact **Myrna Koning, Ellie Postma, Diane Ronda, Barb Sanders, or Sharon Walcott.**

CAROL SING ON DECEMBER 18 Please join us for a Carol Sing in the sanctuary after the worship service on Sunday, December 18.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS With your bulletin, you will find a list of people to send Christmas greetings to. Please note that the address for Jesse and Jari Rodriguez has been updated!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to **Gloria DeWitte** who will be celebrating her birthday on December 28. Cards may be sent to: Vista Springs #33, 2708 Meyer Ave. SW, Wyoming, MI 49519.

PRAYER FOCUS

- Continue to pray for **Tom and Donna Westra** as Donna receives hospice care for an incurable cancer.
- **Alvina Huyser** had been hospitalized with pneumonia. Give thanks she is improving and has been transferred to Breton Woods Rehab and Living Center. Pray for continued healing and regaining strength. It is hoped she will return home soon. Cards can be sent to her home address: 2500 Breton Woods, Apt. 3064, Grand Rapids, MI 49512.
- For **Denominational Ministry Shares** as they support a variety of ministry programs through the CRC in North America and around the world.
- 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 prayer those healing from surgery and those who have ongoing health needs and concerns: **Valerie Fleming, Jo Hanenburg, Len and Lois Koetje.**

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER

FOOD PANTRY The Missions and community Connections Committee would like to thank everyone for joining our "THANKS FOR GIVING" Food/Blessings Drive for our Fellowship Food Pantry.

BACKPACK BUDDIES We are collecting for our January weekends.

Food needs include:

- canned pasta (ravioli, spaghetti, etc – with meat)
- beef or chicken chunky soup styles
- fruit cups
- Nutrigrain bars
- snacks – such as granola bars, fruit snacks, rice Krispie treats, pretzels
- plastic grocery bags

Thank you for your prayers for the families and generous support of this neighborhood mission.

Sandy Campo 616-889-3134

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BLOOD DRIVE The next Blood Drive is coming up soon on Wednesday, December 21 from 2-7pm here at Fellowship. We have a goal of collecting 28 pints of blood. If you are able to donate, please sign up by going to <https://bit.ly/dec21blood-drive> or by signing up on the sheet on the M&CC Bulletin Board. We will also need goodies for the canteen; sign up on the M&CC Bulletin Board to provide for those donating blood.

If you have any questions, please contact **Myrna Koning.**