

Boldness

Acts 10:9-19, 28



FROM THE DEACONS

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received Jan 23 – Feb 5:

Received for general ministries:	\$ 15,100.41
Received for Christian Education:	\$ 800.00
Community Offering: Gideons	\$ 20.51
Pine Rest	\$ 156.44
Rehoboth Chr. School	\$ 166.00

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.

February 19: Kids Hope USA

February 26: Roosevelt Park Ministries

March 5: Desert Streams Ministries (Lont's)

THIS WEEK

Monday, Feb 13

Tuesday, Feb 14

9:15am Tuesday Small Group
1pm Social Gathering
6pm Life Skills

Wednesday, Feb 15

2pm Blood Drive

Thursday, Feb 16

Friday, Feb 17

Saturday, Feb 18

Sunday, Feb 19

8:30am Prayer in the Night Group
9:30am Worship
10:30am Church School
10:45am Adult Bible Study
5pm Youth Group – Middle School
6pm Youth Group – High School

COMING UP

Feb 25 Youth Group Bowling

Feb 27 Full Council
Elders
Deacons

Mar 5 Youth Group

Mar 13 Exec Board

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Laura Williams (Admin Assistant)

Katherine Sneller (Custodian)

Barb Van Ryn (Youth Group)

February 12, 2023



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 ABC's of Outward Faith — Sometimes God takes us on steps of faith that travel outside of anything we have known before. It took boldness for Peter to follow God in new directions; our faith follows Jesus with that same boldness today as well.

NEXT WEEK: The ABC's of Outward Faith

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

*Great Things
Battle Belongs
Cornerstone*

Prayers of the People

Scripture Acts 10:9-19, 28

v. 9-19

Peter's Vision

⁹About noon the following day as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the roof to pray. ¹⁰He became hungry and wanted something to eat, and while the meal was being prepared, he fell into a trance. ¹¹He saw heaven opened and something like a large sheet being let down to earth by its four corners. ¹²It contained all kinds of four-footed animals, as well as reptiles and birds. ¹³Then a voice told him, "Get up, Peter. Kill and eat."

¹⁴"Surely not, Lord!" Peter replied. "I have never eaten anything impure or unclean."

¹⁵The voice spoke to him a second time, "Do not call anything impure that God has made clean."

¹⁶This happened three times, and immediately the sheet was taken back to heaven.

¹⁷While Peter was wondering about the meaning of the vision, the men sent by Cornelius found out where Simon's house was and stopped at the gate. ¹⁸They called out, asking if Simon who was known as Peter was staying there.

¹⁹While Peter was still thinking about the vision, the Spirit said to him, "Simon, three men are looking for you."

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²⁸He said to them: "You are well aware that it is against our law for a Jew to associate with or visit a Gentile. But God has shown me that I should not call anyone impure or unclean."

Message "Boldness"

Holy Spirit

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY

8:30am Prayer in the Night Discussion Group, Room 10

9:30am Worship

10:30am Church School

10:30am Congregational Vote

10:45am Adult Bible Study, Room 10

10:45am Exec Board

CHURCH LIFE

TODAY, February 5, after the morning service, there will be a congregational vote on the proposed 2023 church budget.

Council nomination letters have been sent out. Please return your completed form to the mailbox of Tamie DeWitte or email tgdewitte@gmail.com by Sunday, February 19.

Fellowship Church will have an ASH WEDNESDAY service at 7pm on Wednesday, February 22, to commemorate the beginning of Lent.

SAVE THE DATE Three congregations...all children of God! Mark your calendars for a combined Worship Service for the congregations of Fellowship, Ivanrest, and South Grandville CRCs on Sunday, April 23 at 10:00 AM in the Calvin Christian High School gymnasium. More information and details to come!

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY The class is in Room 10, and it 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).

FEBRUARY SOCIAL GATHERING The February Social Gathering is scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, from 1-3pm here at Fellowship. We will be listening to the Ken Jennings presentation given at the Calvin University January Series. All who are able to attend are welcome. Questions? Contact **Myrna Koning, Ellie Postma, Diane Ronda, Barb Sanders, or Sharon Walcott.**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Happy Birthday to **Lois Koetje** who will celebrate her birthday on February 22. We give thanks for her life and may she know the gift of God's faithful presence with each new day.

Thank you for the prayers, cards and other expressions of care shown to our family during the passing of Dana's mother. We felt the care and presence of Christ through people of Fellowship Church. Thank you!
In Christ, Scott and Dana, Cody, Lexi, Zoe Rickers

Thank you to Pastor Barb and Pastor Tom for their visits. Thank you to all for prayers, meals, visits, cards, and calls during the passing of Donna. I truly felt the hand of God through Fellowship Church. Thank you!
In Christ, Tom Westra and family

HAVE YOU BEEN HEARD? Our congregation has a once-in-five-year opportunity to participate in the 2023 CRC denominational survey. This survey helps denominational leadership understand the concerns and needs of local congregations like ours. It is crucial that as many people from our congregation as possible participate. Please visit crcna.org/survey/4225 to answer the survey questions by **March 31**.

PRAYER FOCUS

- We extend our sympathy and prayers to **Marc and Nancy VanDenBerg** and family. Marc's father, Gerald VanDenBerg, passed away on February 5. May this family know Christ's comfort, peace, and presence with them.
- Pray for **Steve and Linda Westra** who are working with and supervising a 16 member DRS (Disaster Response Services) team in Boutte, Louisiana, January 31-February 24. Pray for safety and health for team members. Pray also for the people they work with in Louisiana. Pray that the clients will experience Christ's compassion and care through the presence and work of this team.
- Continue to pray for those with ongoing health needs and concerns: **Gloria DeWitte, Alvina Huyser, Ellie Klifman, (Sheryl Offringa's mother), Lois Oom, Rachel Tjoelker, Barb Voskuil (Carole Dykstra's sister).**
- For **Denominational Ministry Shares** as they support many different ministry programs in the CRC.
- For the **LOVE Food Pantry** and the families that receive support through this ministry.

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER

FOOD PANTRY Thank you for your continued support of the Fellowship food pantry. Please note, we are no longer collecting Family Fare receipts due to the program ending.

BACKPACK BUDDIES We are collecting for our January weekends.

Food needs include:

- canned pasta (ravioli, spaghetti, etc. – with meat)
- canned chicken
- fruit cups, applesauce cups
- pasta or rice boxed side dishes to go with chicken (at least 2 servings per box preferred)
- snacks – such as granola bars, fruit snacks, rice krispie treats, pretzels

Thank you for your prayers for the families and generous support of this neighborhood mission. ~Sandy Campo 616-889-3134

BLOOD DRIVE This Wednesday, February 15, please join us from 2-7pm in the Fellowship Room to donate blood. There is a link in the Midweek to sign up. If you have any questions, contact **Myrna Koning** or the office.