Faith Practices: scripture

James 1:19-25





Resources for engaging scripture: www.crcna.org/faithpracticesproject

TODAY: Faith Practices – The practice of engaging Scripture immerses us in the true story of God's faithful love so that we become more like Jesus as we grow in recognizing God, ourselves, and the world around us.

Next Week: Faith Practices - justice & mercy

FROM THE DEACONS

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received Jun 11-25:

Received for general ministries:\$ 9,382.25Received for Christian Education:\$ 627.46Community Offering: ASJ\$ 38.00ThereforeGo\$ 181.51Backpack Buddies\$ 20.51

We have received the following request from The Leadership Development Team of Classis Grandville to help meet the needs of an unusually high number of seminary students for student fund support.

Classis Grandville Churches,

God is calling people into full-time ministry and we need your help to financially support our seminary students from Classis Grandville. In the Fall of 2022, we supported two students with tuition assistance through loans that can be forgiven based on their years of service to the CRC - 10% per year of service. In the Spring of 2023, we supported 4 students. In the Fall of 2023, we have 6 students we would like to support. We have a current need to raise an additional \$6,000 to support these students.

The Deacons will be collecting money through August 13 for this need. If you are able to help with this cause, please label your gift "Classis Grandville Student Support" and place in any of the collection baskets or note this cause in the memo line if giving online. Thanks!

Community Offerings

TODAY: Desert Streams Ministries

David and Sara Lont

David and Sara Lont are Fellowship-supported missionaries in Mexico. They pastor a church, translate Christian materials and texts into Spanish, and have an online Bible school (The Advanced School of Ministry).

July 9: Love Your Neighbor July 16: World Renew

July 23: Audio Scripture Ministries

THIS WEEK Thursday, Jul 6

Monday, Jul 3 4:45pm Golf League Friday, Jul 7

Tuesday, Jul 4 Saturday, Jul 8

Independence Day

Sunday, Jul 9
9:30am Worship

10:45am Adult Bible Study

COMING UP STAFF

 Aug 15
 Exec
 Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

 Barb Sanders (Care Ministry)

 Aug 22
 Elders
 Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

 Deacons
 Barb Van Ryn (Youth Ministry)

 Council
 Laura Williams (Admin Assistant)

 Katherine Sneller (Custodian)

4375 Ivanrest SW, Grandville MI 49418. 616-532-2350 www.fellowshipcrc.com

July 2, 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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Holy Roar Exalted Over All Word Of God Speak

Prayers of the People

Scripture James 1:19-25

Listening and Doing

¹⁹ My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, ²⁰ because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. ²¹ Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

²² Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. ²³ Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴ and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. ²⁵ But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

Message "Faith Practices: scripture"

Your Words

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY

9am Prayer Time, *Seeking God's Face*, Room 10 9:30am Worship 10:45am Adult Bible Study

CHURCH LIFE

MEMBER DIRECTORY We are in the process of updating the member directory. Please take some time to check your contact information on Elvanto. If needed, you may edit your information on the website. There are also paper copies of what will be printed in the directory in your mailbox. Once you have made any corrections or okayed the information, either place the slip of paper into the marked slot at the information center or email the office at lwilliams@fellowshipcrc.com. Please get any corrections in by July 2. Thank You!

BACK TO SCHOOL Time to start thinking BACK TO SCHOOL! We are partnering with Love Your Neighbor and Central Elementary School in Grandville to provide backpacks filled with teacher requested supplies for 30 children. Some of children receiving the backpacks are from the families that our Backpack Buddies program had supported this past school year. There is a signup with the list of needed items https://bit.ly/fcrcschool. Because these are specific requests from the teachers, please be mindful of brand, color, size etc. for several items. We will be collecting the supplies through August 6. Your gifts can be brought to church during church office hours (Tues., Wed., Thurs. 9am-12pm) or to church on Sundays beginning July 9. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, there is a signup slot for that option also. One of the M&CC team will shop for you. Make checks payable to FCRC and note "SCHOOL SUPPLIES" on the outside of your envelope. Drop your monetary donation in the slot at the information counter marked "School Supplies".

Any Questions? Call, email, or text **Linda Westra**. Thank you! **Missions and Community Connections Team**

FAITH PRACTICES ENCOURAGEMENT A women's small group is being planned to meet for 4 sessions in July and August with the focus of faith practice encouragement; Tuesdays, July 18 and 25, August 8, and 22, 11am-noon. If you are interested in participating in this 4-session small group please contact **Pastor Barb Sanders**.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Congratulations to **Dave and Chris Cook** who will celebrate their 47th wedding anniversary on July 9! Congratulations to **Bob and Ruth Eggerding** who will celebrate their 62nd wedding anniversary on July 14! We give thanks for each of their lives and marriages. May they continue to know God's faithful presence with them.

NEW ADDRESS Ann Nieuwstraten recently moved. Her new address is: American House, 935 Oak Crest Lane, Beechwood #9, Jenison, MI 49428. 616-667-2653

Katherine Sneller, our custodian, has been experiencing on-going health concerns, among which are heart concerns. She is also experiencing intense pain which is not being alleviated with medication. We pray for Katherine during this difficult time as she continues to consult with doctors. If you would like to send a note of encouragement to Katherine, we are collecting cards in the marked slot at the information center.

★Keep up to date with all the activity of the Church Renewal Lab at www.fellowshipcrc.com/crl.

PRAYER FOCUS

- Continue to pray for those with ongoing health needs and concerns:
 Jayne Barnhill (Sandy Campo's sister), Ellie Klifman, (Sheryl Offringa's mother), Kim Mulder (family of Bonnie Houtstra and Tamie DeWitte),
 Lois Oom, Jo Postema, Katherine Sneller, Rachel Tjoelker, Barb Voskuil (Carole Dykstra's sister).
- For Desert Streams Ministries and David & Sara Lont and family as they prepare for a new school year in the Advanced School of Ministry.
- For the **LOVE Food Pantry** and the families that receive support through this ministry.

BACKPACK BUDDIES We are restocking our pantry for the start of the 15th year of Backpack Buddies!! God has been so faithful as He works through FCRC in this ministry to our neighbors.

For July, we will be collecting the following:

- Canned Chicken
- fruit cups, applesauce cups
- Nutrigrain bars
- (Any other items you wish to donate will be gladly accepted also)
- Plastic grocery bags

Thank you again for your faithful prayers and generous support for these children and their families.

Sandy Campo - 616.889.3134

FOOD PANTRY We in the food Pantry are once again accepting donations. Food items needed are: Canned meat (tuna, chicken), minute rice, graham crackers, peanut butter, cans of chili and corned beef, sloppy joe and Manwich sauce, granola bars, ketchup, cold cereal, laundry detergent

Thanks for supporting the Fellowship Food Pantry!