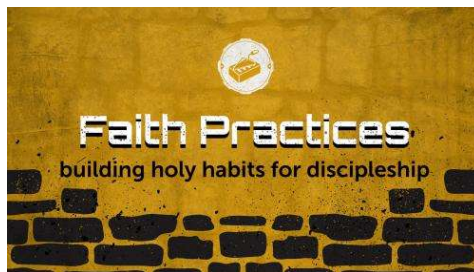


Faith Practices:
listening
Psalm 19:1-6



Resources for listening: www.crcna.org/faithpracticesproject

TODAY: Faith Practices –As a faith practice, listening involves training ourselves to recognize Gods voice (John 10:1-6) in the midst of all the other voices calling for our attention. It involves learning to be fully present in the moment, setting aside distractions that keep us from attending to and responding to Gods presence around us.

Next Week: Faith Practices – celebrating

FROM THE DEACONS

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received Jun 26-Jul 9:

Received for general ministries:	\$ 8,606.98
Received for Christian Education:	\$ 670.00
Community Offering: Desert Streams	\$ 223.51
ASJ	\$ 140.51
Love Your Neighbor	\$ 47.08

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: World Renew

Compelled by God's passion for justice and mercy, World Renew join communities in 30 countries around the world to renew hope, reconcile lives, and restore creation. World Renew does not receive denominational ministry shares and depends on the regular financial support of God's people.

July 23: Audio Scripture Ministries **July 30:** Mission Aviation Fellowship
Aug 6: Resonate Global Mission (Rodriguez)

THIS WEEK

Monday, Jul 17
4:45pm Golf League

Tuesday, Jul 18
11am Faith Practices Small Group
6pm Life Skills

Wednesday, Jul 19

Thursday, Jul 20

Friday, Jul 21

Saturday, Jul 22

Sunday, Jul 23
9:30am Worship
10:45am Adult Bible Study

COMING UP

Aug 15 Exec

Aug 22 Elders
Deacons
Council

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)
Barb Sanders (Care Ministry)
Andrew Lenhart (Worship)
Barb Van Ryn (Youth Ministry)
Laura Williams (Admin Assistant)
Katherine Sneller (Custodian)

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July 16, 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

*All Creatures Of Our God And King
Our God
Today Is The Day*

Ministry in Music Diane J signing "Goodness of God"

Prayers of the People

Scripture *Psalm 19:1-6*

For the director of music. A psalm of David.

¹The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

²Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they reveal knowledge.

³They have no speech, they use no words;
no sound is heard from them.

⁴Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.

In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.

⁵ It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber,
like a champion rejoicing to run his course.

⁶It rises at one end of the heavens
and makes its circuit to the other;
nothing is deprived of its warmth.

Message "Faith Practices: listening"

What Can I Do

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY

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

CHURCH LIFE

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/fcrschool>. 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**

ADULT BIBLE STUDY For the remainder of the summer, we are using videos from Walking the Bible Lands by Dr. Wayne Stiles to visually visit the land of the bible, read bible passages and have relevant discussions. 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** (dcook0104@gmail.com).

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 **Len and Lois Koetje** who will celebrate their 72nd wedding anniversary on July 20! We give thanks for each of their lives and marriages. May they continue to know God's faithful presence with them.

Katherine Sneller, our custodian, has been experiencing on-going health concerns. 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.

AFTER DARK: THE LIFE AND TIMES OF JOHN CALVIN, by Stan Sturing You are invited to an enacted retelling of the life and times of John Calvin by Stan Sturing at the Calvin Theological Seminary Chapel (3233 Burton St. SE) on Thursday, July 27 and Friday, July 28 at 7:30pm and Saturday, July 29 at 2:30pm. Suggested donation of \$10.00 per adult.

★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: Bob Aardema, Rick Aardema, 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 **World Renew** as they connect communities around the world striving for justice and mercy; renewing hope, reconciling lives, and working to restore creation.
- For the **LOVE Food Pantry** and the families that receive support through this ministry.

BLOOD DRIVE The next Blood Drive will be on Wednesday, August 30, from 2-7pm. If you would like to sign up to donate, a link can be found on the Versiti website or the church website under upcoming events.

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!

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