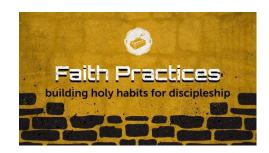
Faith Practices: celebrating

Psalm 103:1-22





Resources for celebrating: www.crcna.org/faithpracticesproject

TODAY: Faith Practices – Through the faith practice of celebrating we delight in circumstances, relationships, and occasions that help us remember and anticipate God's abundant goodness, creativity, faithfulness, beauty, and love.

Next Week: Faith Practices – prayer

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: Audio Scripture Ministries

Audio Scripture Ministries (ASM) helps connect people to God's Word in their own heart language by recording and distributing Bible and Bible Engagement resources in audio.

July 30: Mission Aviation Fellowship

Aug 6: Resonate Global Mission (Rodriguez)

Aug 13: Denominational Ministry Shares

THIS WEEK
Monday, Jul 24
4:45pm Golf League
Tuesday, Jul 25

Thursday, Jul 28
Friday, Jul 28
Saturday, Jul 29

11am Faith Practices Small Group 6pm Life Skills Sunday, Jul 30 9:30am Worship

Wednesday, Jul 26 10:45am Adult Bible Study

COMING UP
STAFF
Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Aug 15 Exec
Barb Sanders (Care Ministry)

Aug 22 Elders
Deacons
Council
Barb Van Ryn (Youth Ministry)
Laura Williams (Admin Assistant)
Katherine Sneller (Custodian)

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July 23, 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

Come People of the Risen King All Hail the Power of Jesus Name Lord I Need You

Prayers of the People

Scripture Psalm 103:1-22

¹ Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. ² Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits—

³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, ⁴ who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, ⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

⁶ The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed. ⁷ He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel: ⁸ The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. ⁹ He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; ¹⁰ he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.

¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; ¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

¹³ As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him; ¹⁴ for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust. ¹⁵ The life of mortals is like grass, they flourish like a flower of the field; ¹⁶ the wind blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more.
¹⁷ But from everlasting to everlasting the Lord's love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children— ¹⁸ with those who keep his covenant and remember to obey his precepts. ¹⁹ The Lord has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all.

²⁰ Praise the Lord, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word. ²¹ Praise the Lord, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will. ²² Praise the Lord, all his works everywhere in his dominion.
Praise the Lord, my soul.

Message "Faith Practices: celebrating"

10.000 Reasons

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY

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

CHURCH LIFE

BACK TO SCHOOL Wow! Thank you for the many items that have already been donated! Here's a list of the items still needed....

\$ donations for backpacks, Expo markers (pre-purchased items); Crayola Washable Markers; Highlighters; Ticonderoga #2 pencils; Headphones; 1 pair earbuds; Sanitizing wipes; Kleenex

There is a signup with the specifics of the needed items at https://bit.ly/fcrcschool. Because these are specific requests from the teachers, please be mindful of brand, color, size etc. for the items. Please use the Sign-Up Genius for your donations. If you can't access the sign up, contact Linda Westra (call/text/email, info is in church directory). If you are unable to shop or use the Sign-Up Genius, we will gladly do the shopping. Just help by putting a donation in the slot marked "SCHOOL SUPPLIES" at the information center; or mail it to the church. Make checks payable to FCRC.

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).

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 Audio Scripture Ministries as they connect people around the world to God's Word in their own language.
- 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