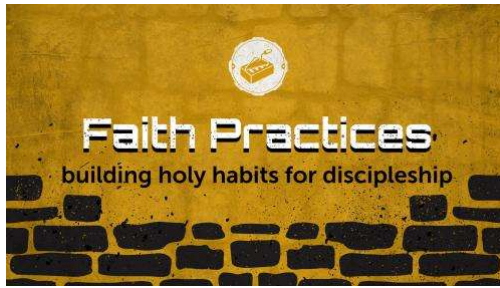


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Psalm 139:1-18



FROM THE DEACONS

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received Jul 24-Aug 6:

Received for general ministries:	\$ 7,696.98
Received for Christian Education:	\$ 563.00
Community Offering:	
Mission Aviation	\$ 110.51
Resonate-Rodriguez	\$ 318.00
Audio Scripture Ministries	\$ 120.51
Backpack Buddies	\$ 100.00
Classis Grandville-Student	\$ 200.00

Community Offerings

TODAY: Harbor House

Our Mission at Harbor House Ministries is to value the life of every person in providing quality, individualized care and residential services for adults with complex needs. We believe each person is created by God with purpose and value. Therefore, each person's care is tailored to his or her unique abilities and gifts with activities that are purposeful and meaningful to the individual.

- Aug 27:** Starlight Ministries
- Sep 3:** Mission French Africa *Mpindi's*
- Sep 10:** Backpack Buddies

THIS WEEK

Monday, Aug 21

4:45pm Golf League

Tuesday, Aug 22

9:15am Small Group

11am Faith Practices Encouragement

6pm Life Skills

7pm Ful Council

8pm Elders

8pm Deacons

Wednesday, Aug 23

Thursday, Aug 24

Friday, Aug 25

Saturday, Aug 26

Sunday, Aug 27

Outdoor Service

9:30am Worship

10:45am Adult Bible Study

COMING UP

Aug 30 Blood Drive

Sep 10 Fall Kick-Off

Sep 11 Exec

Sep 17 Youth Group

Sep 25 Elders
Deacons

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Care Ministry)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Barb Van Ryn (Youth Ministry)

Laura Williams (Admin Assistant)

Katherine Sneller (Custodian)



Resources for prayer: www.crcna.org/faithpracticesproject

TODAY: *Faith Practices* – The faith practice of wonder helps us glimpse with surprise just how creative, faithful, good, big, and present God is.

Next Week: *Faith Practices*

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August 20, 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

*God Of Wonders
How Great Is Our God*

Communion

Remembrance

Prayers of the People

Scripture *Psalms 139:1-18*

Message

"faith practices: wonder"

How Great Thou Art

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY

9:30am Worship
10:45am Adult Bible Study
1pm Church Renewal Lab

Psalms 139

For the director of music. Of David. A psalm.

¹You have searched me, Lord,
and you know me.

²You know when I sit and when I rise;
you perceive my thoughts from afar.

³You discern my going out and my lying
down;

you are familiar with all my ways.

⁴Before a word is on my tongue
you, Lord, know it completely.

⁵You hem me in behind and before,
and you lay your hand upon me.

⁶Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,
too lofty for me to attain.

⁷Where can I go from your Spirit?
Where can I flee from your presence?

⁸If I go up to the heavens, you are there;
if I make my bed in the depths, you are
there.

⁹If I rise on the wings of the dawn,
if I settle on the far side of the sea,

¹⁰even there your hand will guide me,
your right hand will hold me fast.

¹¹If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me
and the light become night around me,"

¹²even the darkness will not be dark to you;
the night will shine like the day,
for darkness is as light to you.

¹³For you created my inmost being;
you knit me together in my mother's
womb.

¹⁴I praise you because I am fearfully and
wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful,
I know that full well.

¹⁵My frame was not hidden from you
when I was made in the secret place,
when I was woven together in the depths of
the earth.

¹⁶Your eyes saw my unformed body;
all the days ordained for me were written in
your book

before one of them came to be.

¹⁷How precious to me are your
thoughts, God!

How vast is the sum of them!

¹⁸Were I to count them,
they would outnumber the grains of sand—
when I awake, I am still with you.

CHURCH LIFE

TODAY we will be celebrating the sacrament of communion during the worship service.

NEXT WEEK Sunday is planned to be an **outdoor service**. Bring a lawn chair and dress appropriate to be outdoors.

BACK TO SCHOOL The BACK TO SCHOOL "Stuff the Backpacks" Campaign has been successful! Thirty children, K- 6th grade, will begin a new school year with a new backpack filled with requested items. What a blessing for children (and the parents) that, through your generosity, we were able to provide ALL the items needed to fill those backpacks. Thank you for your participation!

Love Your Neighbor and **FCRC Missions & 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).

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Bill and Kathy Poel who will celebrate their 49th wedding anniversary on August 23!

Dan and Sandy Wynia who will celebrate their 45th wedding anniversary on August 26!

Jack and Nancy Emelander who will celebrate their 47th wedding anniversary on August 27!

Jack and Joan Bosscher who will celebrate their 54th wedding anniversary on August 27!

Don and Ann Aardema who will celebrate their 66th wedding anniversary on August 28!

We give thanks for their lives and their marriage. May they continue to know God's faithful presence with them.

CHURCH DIRECTORY New church directories for the 2023-24 Church Year were placed in your mailbox last week. Information on weather cancellation policies, current Elder/Deacon districts, committee chairpersons, and Fellowship-supported missionaries can all be found in your directory. If you need an extra copy, please contact the church office (lwilliams@fellowshipcrc.com), and one will be provided.

★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 **Harbor House** as they provide care for adults with complex needs.
- 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. A sign-up to bring goodies for the canteen is on the M&CC bulletin board.

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.

https://donate.michigan.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/151086

MISSIONS AND COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

FOOD PANTRY We in the food Pantry are once again accepting donations.

Food items needed are: canned chicken, chunky soups, hamburger/tuna helper, salad dressings, fruit cups, NutriGrain bars, crackers, pop tarts, kid's cereal, peanut butter, jelly, paper towels, and hand soap

Thanks for supporting the Fellowship Food Pantry!

BACKPACK BUDDIES Continue to pray for the Backpack Buddies program and the children at Central Elementary as the school year begins! We are well stocked for the first month of the new school year.

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

Sandy Campo - 616.889.3134