faith practices: remembering Joshua 4:1-9



Resources for remembering: www.crcna.org/faithpracticesproject

**TODAY:** Faith Practices – The faith practice of remembering centers our attention on what God has done in our lives, deepening our assurance that God is with us here and now, and expanding our hope and anticipation for what God will yet do.

**Next Week**: Faith Practices

#### **FROM THE DEACONS**

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received Aug 7 – 20:

Received for general ministries: \$ 5,412.98

**Received for Christian Education:** \$ 565.81 **Community Offering:** Harbor House \$ 100.00

DMS \$ 197.31 Resonate-Rodriguez \$ 20.51

#### **Community Offerings**

**TODAY: Starlight Ministries** 

Starlight Ministries is a Christ centered ministry that provides opportunities for those who are grieving a death loss to experience a safe environment of caring support that promotes healing and inspires Hope for the future.

**Sep 3:** Mission French Africa *Mpindi's* 

Sep 10: Backpack Buddies

Sep 17: Access

#### **THIS WEEK**

Monday, Aug 28 4:45pm Golf League

**Tuesday, Aug 29** 9:15am Small Group 6pm Life Skills

Wednesday, Aug 30 2pm Blood Drive Thursday, Aug 31

Friday, Sep 1

Saturday, Sep 2 Sunday, Sep 3

9:30am Worship

10:45am Adult Bible Study

#### COMING UP STAFF

Sep 10Fall KickoffTom VanderPloeg (Pastor)Sep 11ExecBarb Sanders (Care Ministry)Sep 17Youth GroupAndrew Lenhart (Worship)Sep 25Elders<br/>DeaconsBarb Van Ryn (Youth Ministry)Laura Williams (Admin Assistant)<br/>Katherine Sneller (Custodian)

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## **August 27, 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**

10,000 Reasons Holy Is The Lord Living Hope

#### **Prayers of the People**

Scripture Joshua 4:1-9

**4** When the whole nation had finished crossing the Jordan, the Lord said to Joshua, <sup>2</sup> "Choose twelve men from among the people, one from each tribe, <sup>3</sup> and tell them to take up twelve stones from the middle of the Jordan, from right where the priests are standing, and carry them over with you and put them down at the place where you stay tonight."

<sup>4</sup> So Joshua called together the twelve men he had appointed from the Israelites, one from each tribe, <sup>5</sup> and said to them, "Go over before the ark of the Lord your God into the middle of the Jordan. Each of you is to take up a stone on his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the Israelites, <sup>6</sup> to serve as a sign among you. In the future, when your children ask you, 'What do these stones mean?' <sup>7</sup> tell them that the flow of the Jordan was cut off before the ark of the covenant of the Lord. When it crossed the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. These stones are to be a memorial to the people of Israel forever."

<sup>8</sup> So the Israelites did as Joshua commanded them. They took twelve stones from the middle of the Jordan, according to the number of the tribes of the Israelites, as the Lord had told Joshua; and they carried them over with them to their camp, where they put them down. <sup>9</sup> Joshua set up the twelve stones that had been in the middle of the Jordan at the spot where the priests who carried the ark of the covenant had stood. And they are there to this day.

Message "faith practices: remembering"

Great Is Thy Faithfulness Praise God From Who All Blessings Flow

#### **God's Parting Blessing**

#### **TODAY**

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

#### **CHURCH LIFE**

**FALL KICKOFF MEAL** Join us Sunday, September 10, at noon. Please sign up through the link in the midweek or on the signup sheet on the M&CC bulletin board. Please also indicate if you are able to contribute 1-2 dozen cookies or bars for dessert. If you have any questions, please contact **Pam Kortman** (616-437-0005 or pam.kortman@gmail.com).

**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 BIRTHDAY** Happy birthday to **Bob Eggerding** who will celebrate his 84<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 1. We give thanks for his life and may he know the gift of God's faithful presence with each new day.

#### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

This past Monday, August 21, **Terry and Judy VanHaitsma** celebrated their 84<sup>th</sup> anniversary! (months)

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 66<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

#### **PRAYER FOCUS**

- We extend our sympathy and prayers to Terry and Judy Van Haitsma, and Bill and Kathy Poel. Judy and Kathy's stepmother, Carolyn Morren, passed away on Friday, August 18. May this family know Christ's comfort, peace, and presence with them at this time.
- 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), Susan (Sharon Walcott's daughter-in-law).
- For **Starlight Ministries** as they provide counseling and support those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.
- For the LOVE Food Pantry and the families that receive support through this ministry.

#### 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

**BLOOD DRIVE** The next Blood Drive will be **THIS 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