Make Room in Your Life [part 3]



Amos 5:14-24, James 1:27

TODAY: The gospel of Jesus orients our souls towards a new life with God; the practice of worship also orients our souls towards a new life with God. Making room in our lives to nurture the wellbeing of our community brings action into a new life with God.

NEXT WEEK: Making Room

FROM THE DEACONS

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received May 13-26:

Received for General Ministries: \$5,835.00
Received for Christian Education: \$766.49
Community Offering: Food Pantry
DMS \$170.82

Potter's House \$76.06 Mission French Africa \$10.00

Through April 2024

Receipts \$127,456.20 Expenses \$92,311.02 Surplus \$35,145.18

Community Offerings

TODAY: Desert Streams Ministries

David & Sara Lont

David, Sara, and Anna Lont serve as our missionaries through Desert Streams Ministries near the city of Tulancingo, Hidalgo, Mexico. They facilitate the studies of the 40 pastors/leaders enrolled in the Advanced School of Ministry degree program with the goal of earning degrees by January, 2026, and the Online Bible School which has 170 students this semester. David, Sara, and Anna also pastor and serve their local church which is held under a tent on their own property to avoid paying the high costs of rent.

https://www.desert-streams.org/

June 9: DMS

June16, 23: Backpack Buddies

THIS WEEK

Monday, Jun 3
Friday, Jun 7

Tuesday, Jun 4
6pm Life Skills
Sunday, Jun 9
Wednesday, Jun 5
9:30am Worship
11am Adult Bible Study

COMING UP STAFF

June 10 Exec Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)
Barb Sanders (Care Ministry)

June 26 Elders Andrew Lenhart (Worship)
Deacons Barb Van Ryn (Youth Ministry)

June 26 Blood Drive

Katherine Sneller (Custodian)

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June 2, 2024



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 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

Great Things Beautiful One Stronger

Communion

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Prayers of the People

Scripture *Amos* 5:14-24, *James* 1:27

¹⁴ Seek good, not evil, that you may live. Then the LORD God Almighty will be with you, just as you say he is. 15 Hate evil, love good; maintain justice in the courts. Perhaps the LORD God Almighty will have mercy on the remnant of Joseph. 16 Therefore this is what the Lord, the LORD God Almighty, says: "There will be wailing in all the streets and cries of anguish in every public square. The farmers will be summoned to weep and the mourners to wail. 17 There will be wailing in all the vineyards, for I will pass through your midst," says the LORD. ¹⁸ Woe to you who long for the day of the LORD! Why do you long for the day of the LORD? That day will be darkness, not light. ¹⁹ It will be as though a man fled from a lion only to meet a bear, as though he entered his house and rested his hand on the wall only to have a snake bite him. ²⁰ Will not the day of the LORD be darkness, not light—pitch-dark, without a ray of brightness? 21 "I hate, I despise your religious festivals; your assemblies are a stench to me. ²² Even though you bring me burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them. Though you bring choice fellowship offerings, I will have no regard for them. ²³ Away with the noise of your songs! I will not listen to the music of your harps. ²⁴ But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!

Message "Make Room in Your Life [part 3]"

Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY

9:30am Worship 11am Adult Bible Study

CHURCH LIFE

TODAY we celebrate the sacrament of communion together during the worship service.

NEXT WEEK we celebrate the baptism Emery VanderKlok during the worship service.

Barb Sanders is on vacation this week. If you an item for prayer email please contact Pastor Tom.

YOU'RE INVITED Today, after the worship service, you are invited to join us in the Fellowship Room for cake & cookies to celebrate Alvina's 96th birthday!

VOLUNTEER SURVEY There are many ways to serve at Fellowship Church. We encourage you to take the survey and explore the many opportunities that are available. The survey takes under 3 minutes to complete, and can be done online by scanning the QR Code to the right. A link to the survey is also available in the Midweek email. Paper copies are available at the information center for those without online access. THANK YOU! Questions? Contact the Office/Laura Williams



Fellowship Volunteer Survey

SUMMER 2024 WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP Plans are being made for a women's small group to meet five times during the summer months on Wednesday evenings, 7:00–8:15pm. June 12, 15, July 10, 24, August 7. The book, *The Gift of Empathy* by Joel Bretscher and Kenneth Haugk, will provide a foundation for this small group. The book cost is \$15. You can sign up online or by the information center. You are still welcome to sign up to join! Ouestions? Contact Laura Vander Ploeg or Pastor Barb Sanders.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Happy Birthday to **Don Aardema** who will celebrate his 89th birthday on June 10. We give thanks for his life and may he know the gift of God's faithful presence with each new day.

Happy birthday to **Tom Westra** who will celebrate his 82nd birthday on June 14. We give thanks for his life and may he know the gift of God's faithful presence with each new day.

Happy birthday to **Lois Oom** who will celebrate her 105th on June 15. We give thanks for her life and may she know the gift of God's faithful presence with each new day.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Congratulations to **Andrew & Sarah Lenhart** who will celebrate their 24th wedding anniversary on June 9! We give thanks for their lives and their marriage. May they continue to know God's faithful presence with them.

Congratulations to **Jim & Pam Kortman** who will celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary on June 16! 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

- Mike Philo's surgery was successful and I thank you for the prayers. There is no known concerns going forward with the healing process.
- Continue to pray for Gary and Sue Roode as Gary continues to heal from a broken hip.
- Continue to pray for Tom and Barb Smalligan. Give thanks for the healing that Tom is experiencing and that he is beginning the process of being fitted with a prosthesis.
- Pray for Mike Philo's brother, Jim. Jim has been fighting cancer in his
 nasal passage for more than a year. This past week they received
 news that the cancer has aggressively spread, and the decision was
 made to shift to palliative care. May this family know God's sustaining
 presence during this time.
- Please pray for these particular requests from **David**, **Sara**, **and Anna Lont** and **Desert Stream Ministries**: for an end to the drought in Hildago, Mexico so that running water will become available again; for the Advanced School of Ministry degree program which lost one of its team leaders, Homero Rios, who suddenly passed away; for the empowerment of the Holy Spirit guiding David, Sara, and Anna as they work with the local church; and for the elections in Mexico on June 2 that the Lord will establish righteous leaders who govern with justice and integrity.
- For the LOVE Food Pantry and the families that receive support through this ministry.

MISSIONS AND COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

FOOD PANTRY We are once again in need of a few items!

Our Needs Are:

Crackers, pancake mix, pancake syrup, hearty soups, peanut butter, juice (orange, apple), gravy, jam, ketchup, salad dressing, honey, tea, diced tomatoes, SPAM, beef stew, pop tarts, canned meats (tuna, chicken), tuna helper, kid's cereal, paper towels, facial tissue, toilet paper, hand soap, body wash, dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent *monetary donations can be made through the deacons.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the pantry!

BACKPACK BUDDIES We are still currently collecting.

Our current needs:

snacks: granola bars, rice krispie treats, fruit snacks, cheese or peanut butter crackers, etc.

fruit: fruit cups

canned chunky soups

canned chicken

Nutrigrain bars

- *Cash donations can be made through the deacons.
- *Food donations can be placed in the wooden box in the narthex.

We couldn't do this ministry without you. Your donations are very appreciated! Sandy Campo