

Make Room in Your Life [part 1]

Matthew 6:19-33, James 1:22



FROM THE DEACONS

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received Apr 29-May 12:

Received for General Ministries:	\$ 8,710.98
Received for Christian Education:	\$ 634.79
Community Offering:	Mission French Africa \$ 304.18
	DMS \$ 202.00
	World Renew \$ 200.51

Through April 2024

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

Community Offerings

TODAY (and next week, May 26): Fellowship Food Pantry

The Fellowship Food Pantry is operated by volunteers who have been trained by the Love Your Neighbor staff. The Call Center provides resources and referrals and emergency food support to the Grandville community who are in urgent need of help.

<https://www.fellowshipcrc.com/food-bank/>

June 2: Desert Streams Ministries (Lont's)

June 9: DMS

June 16: Backpack Buddies

THIS WEEK

Monday, May 20

Tuesday, May 21

9:15am Tuesday Small Group
6pm Life Skills

Wednesday, May 22

9:30am Pray for Synod
7pm Worship Rehearsal

Thursday, May 23

Friday, May 24

Saturday, May 25

Sunday, May 26

9:30am Worship
11am Adult Bible Study

COMING UP

May 28 Full Council
Elders
Deacons

June 26 Blood Drive

STAFF

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

May 19, 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

TODAY: Making room in my life to listen and respond to the Holy Spirit means that I must declutter my life in order to make room.
NEXT WEEK: Making Room

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Holy Spirit

Holy Roar

Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee

Graduate Recognition

Prayers of the People

Scripture *Matthew 6:19-33, James 1:22*

Treasures in Heaven

¹⁹ “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. ²⁰ But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

²² “The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy, your whole body will be full of light. ²³ But if your eyes are unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness!

²⁴ “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.

Do Not Worry

²⁵ “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷ Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?

²⁸ “And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³² For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³ But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Message “Make Room in Your Life [part 1]”

Holy Spirit

God’s Parting Blessing

CHURCH LIFE

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 can be taken online by scanning the QR Code to the right. A link to the survey will also be available in the Midweek email this coming Thursday. Paper copies are available at the information center for those without online access. THANK YOU! Questions? Contact the **Office/Laura Williams**

Fellowship Volunteer Survey



DIRECTORY UPDATES We are updating the church member directory. Please take some time to look over your information. Directory Update Information slips are in mailboxes, and are to be turned in to the marked slot at the information center by May 26. Questions? Contact the **Office/ Laura Williams**

AN INVITATION TO PRAY FOR SYNOD You’re Invited!. . . Together, all of us are invited to embark on 40 days of prayer leading into Synod 2024. . . . This 40-day prayer initiative began Sunday, May 5 and continues through Thursday, June 13. These dates were chosen to lead us up to the start of Synod 2024—the annual gathering of the Christian Reformed Church (CRC). A prayer gathering is being planned for Wednesday morning, May 22, 9:30 - 10:30am with the focus of praying for Synod. Plans are to meet in the Fellowship Room for a time of prayer followed by coffee and refreshments. Questions? Contact **Pastor Barb Sanders** or **Mary Wood- Agents**.

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. Questions? Contact **Laura Vander Ploeg** or **Pastor Barb Sanders**.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Happy birthday to **Jo Postema** who will celebrate her 85th birthday on May 27. We give thanks for her life and may she know the gift of God’s faithful presence with each new day.
Happy birthday to **Alvina Huysen** who will celebrate her 96th on May 28. We give thanks for her life and may she know the gift of God’s faithful presence with each new day.

*Dear Fellowship Family - Thank you for lifting us up in prayer and for your expressions of sympathy in the recent passing and heavenly home-coming of my brother, Jim. **Marc and Nancy VanDenBerg***

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

PRAYER FOCUS

- Continue to pray for **Gary and Sue Roode** as Gary continues to heal from a broken hip. Give thanks he was able to return home this past week.
- Continue to pray for **Tom and Barb Smalligan**. Give thanks for the healing that Tom is experiencing. Barb writes, " *Tom was given clearance from the surgeon for weight bearing, so casting of the prosthesis will be Monday, May 20.*"
- Pray for **Mike Philo’s** brother, Jim. Jim has been fighting cancer in his nasal passage for more than a year. On Tuesday May 21, he is scheduled for removal of his pallet and upper jaw and begin the reconstructive surgery to replace what has been removed. The surgery is planned to be 10 hours long. Pray for a successful surgery and a good healing process.
- Continue to pray for those with ongoing health needs and concerns: Rick Aardema, Jayne Barnhill (**Sandy Campo’s** sister), **Jean Cister**, Randy and Kim Mulder (family of **Bonnie Houtstra** and **Tamie DeWitte**), **Lois Oom**, Katherine Sneller, **Rachel Tjoelker**, Barb Voskuil (**Carole Dykstra’s** sister).
- For the **LOVE Food Pantry** and the families that receive support through this ministry.

TODAY

9:30am Worship

4:30pm Youth Group-Middle School

11am Adult Bible Study

7:30pm Youth Group-High School

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 currently collecting for May.

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