You First

Psalm 139:1-24



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 \$ 386.51 **DMS \$** 170.82 \$ 76.06 Potter's House Mission French Africa \$ 10.00

Through April 2024

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

Community Offerings

TODAY: Denominational Ministry Shares

D The Christian Reformed Church uses ministry shares to fund a variety of ministry programs that start new churches, train servant leaders, support chaplains, resource congregations, and reach out to our neighbors through media and evangelism.

https://www.crcna.org/MinistryShares

When you give to the ministry shares program you help spread the Gospel around the world. You also support churches within the denomination that need help or are looking to grow their ministry.

June 16, 23, 30: Backpack Buddies

THIS WEEK

Thursday, Jun 13 Monday, Jun 10 7pm Exec Friday, Jun 14 Tuesday, Jun 11 Saturday, Jun 15 6pm Life Skills Sunday, Jun 16 Wednesday, Jun 12 Father's Day

7pm Gift of Empathy Small Group 9:30am Worship Room 10 11am Adult Bible Study

STAFF **COMING UP**

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor) June 24 Elders Barb Sanders (Care Ministry) Andrew Lenhart (Worship) Deacons June 25 Barb Van Ryn (Youth Ministry) June 26 Blood Drive Laura Williams (Admin Assistant) Katherine Sneller (Custodian)

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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: The Bible often reminds us that in our attempts to seek out God, it is always in fact God who is seeking our hearts. **NEXT WEEK: Prayer**

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

All Creatures Of Our God And King Who You Say I Am

Baptism of Emery VanderKlok

Prayers of the People

Scripture Psalm 139:1-24

**Scripture can be found on page 974 in the Bibles beneath your seat or on the insert provided.

Message "You First"

He Knows My Name At The Cross

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY

9:30am Worship 11am Adult Bible Study

CHURCH LIFE

TODAY we celebrate the baptism Emery VanderKlok during the worship service.

The Deacons are considering different options for counting our weekly collections. We are currently looking for individuals who would be interested in being part of a counting team to assist with this. If this is something you would be interested in or would like more information about, please contact Jon Meengs at 616-295-6534 or email jonmeengs@yahoo.com.

SUMMER WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP Plans are made for a women's small group to meet five times during the summer months on Wednesday evenings, 7:00–8:15pm. (June 12, 26, 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 (link in midweek email). You are still welcome to sign up to join! Questions? Contact **Laura VanderPloeg** 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 today, 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

- 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.
- Continue to pray for those with ongoing health needs and concerns: Rick Aardema, Jayne Barnhill (Sandy Campo's sister), Jean Cisler, Randy and Kim Mulder (family of Bonnie Houtstra and Tamie DeWitte), Lois Oom, Katherine Sneller, Rachel Tjoelker, Barb Voskuil (Carole Dykstra's sister).
- Pray for Denominational Ministries as they support churches within the
 denomination and spread the gospel around the world. For the church
 planters, chaplains, missionaries, and churches within the denomination
 that need help or are looking to expand their ministry.
- For the LOVE Food Pantry and the families that receive support through this
 ministry.

Fellowship Volunteer Survey



MISSIONS AND COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

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

Our Needs Are:

crackers (graham & saltine), hearty soups, strawberry jam, gravy, juice, tea, SPAM, beef stew, pop tarts, coffee, honey, laundry detergent

*monetary donations can be made through the deacons.

Thank you, Thank you to everyone who has donated to the pantry!

BACKPACK BUDDIES

Another school year has been completed. It was a busy Backpack Buddies year with the highest number of children in the program that we have ever had! Thank you to each of you for food and cash contributions to the program making it possible to keep up to **42** children fed on the weekends.

A special thank you to the amazing volunteers who pack and deliver the bags each week: **Bob & Ruth Eggerding**, Sue Malone, **Carol Nyenhuis**, **Ellie Postma**, **Ron & Mae Scholten**, **Mike Campo** (vacation coverage). This program could not run without the faithful volunteers.

Please keep the students in families in your prayers as we prepare for the next school year. If you are interested in this program and want to know more about how you can help, please indicate this on the volunteer survey or talk to me directly.

Sandy Campo