



FROM THE DEACONS

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received Oct 7 – 27:Received for General Ministries:\$ 11,451.31Received for ChristianEducation:\$ 1,015.81Community Offering:Fellowship Food Pantry\$ 192.51DMS\$ 120.51Resonate-Rodriguez\$ 70.51

From the Treasurer: Year to Date Receipts: \$214,083.96 Year to Date Expenses: \$206,585.99 (through 09/30/2024)

Community Offerings

TODAY: Mission French Africa – Mpindi's World Renew – World Hunger

Mission French Africa Ministries (MFAM) is a radio and Bible training ministry focused on evangelism, discipleship, and stewardship in French Africa. For the past 25 years, Dr. Paul Mpindi and his wife, Charlotte, have developed a daily radio audience of more than 20 million listeners in eight countries in Africa. Mission French Africa also has three follow-up centers in the Congo, Central Africa Republic, and Benin where local pastors are trained, Bible correspondence courses are administered, and visitors come monthly for pastoral counseling, discipleship, and spiritual mentoring. MFAM was blessed with the purchase of a new building in July. Now financial support is needed for remodeling so that the students can be moved indoors. The goal is completion of this project by the end of this year.

Nov 10: DMS Nov 17, 24: Backpack Buddies

THIS WEEK Monday, Nov 4 6pm Worship Committee meets 7pm Exec Tuesday, Nov 5 6pm Life Skills Wednesday, Nov 6 9:30am The Prayer Practice, Room 10		Thursday, Nov 7 7pm The Prayer Practice Friday, Nov 8 Saturday, Nov 9 Sunday, Nov 10 9:30am Worship 10:45am Church School 11am Adult Bible Study 4pm Prayer Gathering	
COMINO Nov 17 Nov 23 Nov 25 Dec 8	S UP Youth Group Worship Night Youth Group Friendsgiving Full Council Elders Deacons Christmas Dinner Youth Group	STAFF Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor) Barb Sanders (Care Ministry) Andrew Lenhart (Worship) Barb Van Ryn (Youth Ministry) Laura Williams (Admin Assistant) Katherine Sneller (Custodian)	

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November 3, 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: Scripture reminds us that the perfect glory of God is revealed in Christ; yet at the same time, we carry that gospel message as imperfect people. NEXT WEEK: Fear Not

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

All Creatures of Our God and King Holy is the Lord The Lord Our God

Prayers of the People

Scripture 2 Corinthians 4:1-9

Present Weakness and Resurrection Life

4 Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. ³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.

⁷ But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. ⁸We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.

Message "Do Not Judge"

Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY

9:30am Worship 10:45am Church School 11am Adult Bible Study 4:30pm Youth Group-9th 6pm Youth Group-11/12th

CHURCH LIFE

Join us for a PRAYER GATHERING at Fellowship Church on Sunday, November 10, at 4:00pm.

HUNGER FOR A WORLD WHERE HUNGER DOES NOT EXIST! No child should know the pain of hunger. No parent should have to watch their children grow weak due to malnutrition. Hunger for good; hunger for a world where hunger does not exist! <u>Next week is World Hunger Sunday</u> and through our gifts we can help World Renew equip communities with the knowledge and resources they need to change the story of hunger. To learn more, visit www.worldrenew.net/worldhunger.

Please look in your mailboxes for an orange giving envelope. Your giving envelopes will be collected along with the community offering on November 3.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY The class is in Room 10, and it will begin around 15 minutes after the end of 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).

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

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

Our church will be partnering again this year with Love Your Neighbor for their annual Christmas store event, **Community Christmas**. This event offers parents/guardians the opportunity to shop gifts for their children. The event has been a highlight for both recipients and volunteers for many years! In 2023, Love Your Neighbor served almost 100 families and are planning the same this year. **M&CC has chosen to help by collecting STOCKING STUFFERS and GIFT WRAPPING SUPPLIES.** A collection box and table with a list of stocking stuffer ideas will be available in the foyer through **Sunday, December 1**.

As well as collecting these items, if you would like to volunteer to help at the event Friday, December 6, or Saturday, December 7, at Hudsonville Reformed Church, go to https://bit.ly/3UgGSzJ to sign up!

PRAYER FOCUS

- Sandie Davis had total knee replacement surgery last week. Give thanks that surgery went well. Pray for a good recovery process.
- Please pray for the work of **Mission French Africa Ministries** (MFAM):
- Thank God that the long-awaited extra building near the follow-up center in the Congo is now owned by MFAM
- Pray that God will provide the financial support for remodeling classrooms (\$5000.00 each) and meeting rooms (\$1000.00 each) and for purchasing 200 desk-chairs at the cost of \$200.00 each
- Ask God that the remodeling will be completed by the end of the year so that the students can be moved indoors
- Praise God for the work that Pastor Paul Mpindi and his wife, Charlotte, and MFAM continue to do here in West Michigan and in West Africa
- Continue to pray for those with ongoing health needs and concerns: Rick Aardema, Jean Cisler, Randy & Cathy Kraker, Jo Postema, Rog & Mary Visser.
- For the **LOVE Food Pantry** and the families that receive support through this ministry.

MISSIONS AND COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

FELLOWSHIP FOOD PANTRY

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 to everyone who has donated to the pantry!

BACKPACK BUDDIES

Thank you for remembering the Backpack Buddies in prayers and giving. Items needed for the children for November include:

- Canned Chicken
- Canned Pasta
- Fruit Cups
- Nutrigrain bars

* gift cards (Aldi, Meijer, Costco) or monetary donations or can be given through the deacons and will be used to purchase food items through Feeding America West Michigan.

Thank you for your support of this ministry.

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