

Sabbath - worship  
Exodus 16:21-30



**FROM THE DEACONS**

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received Dec 30-Jan 12:

Received for General Ministries:	\$ 12,493.28
Received for Christian Education:	\$ 728.00
Community Offering:	
Resonate-Rodriguez	\$ 197.51
Benevolence	\$ 154.79
Love Your Neighbor	\$ 20.51
DMS	\$ 14.00

February 2, 2025

**Community Offerings**

**TODAY: Mission French Africa Dr Paul & Charlotte Mpindi**

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. Pastor and Charlotte Mpindi arrived in Kinshasa, Congo, on January 4 for three months of intensive ministry at the training center. He is teaching over 600 local pastors at different times each week.

**Feb 9:** Denominational Ministry Shares  
**Feb 16, 23:** World Renew



Welcome!  
We are glad you are here!

**THIS WEEK**

**Monday, Feb 3**

**Tuesday, Feb 4**

**Wednesday, Feb 5**

**Thursday, Feb 6**

**Friday, Feb 7**

**Saturday, Feb 8**

**Sunday, Feb 9**

9:30am Worship

10:45am Church School

11am Adult Bible Study

**COMING UP**

**Feb 10** Exec

**Feb 16** Youth Group

**Feb 19** Blood Drive

**Feb 24** Youth Group Bowling

**Feb 24** Full Council  
Elders  
Deacons

**STAFF**

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Care Ministry)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Barb Van Ryn (Youth Ministry)

Laura Williams (Admin Assistant)

Katherine Sneller (Custodian)

**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:** Sabbath is a day set aside as holy to the Lord; that makes sabbath a time to reorient ourselves and our lives towards God. In other words, sabbath is a day for worship.

**NEXT WEEK:** Job

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Call to Worship

*Holy Roar*

*The Reason*

*What A Beautiful Name*

### Prayers of the People

**Scripture** Exodus 16:21-30

<sup>21</sup>Each morning everyone gathered as much as they needed, and when the sun grew hot, it melted away. <sup>22</sup>On the sixth day, they gathered twice as much—two omers for each person—and the leaders of the community came and reported this to Moses. <sup>23</sup>He said to them, “This is what the Lord commanded: ‘Tomorrow is to be a day of sabbath rest, a holy sabbath to the Lord. So bake what you want to bake and boil what you want to boil. Save whatever is left and keep it until morning.’”

<sup>24</sup>So they saved it until morning, as Moses commanded, and it did not stink or get maggots in it. <sup>25</sup>“Eat it today,” Moses said, “because today is a sabbath to the Lord. You will not find any of it on the ground today. <sup>26</sup>Six days you are to gather it, but on the seventh day, the Sabbath, there will not be any.”

<sup>27</sup>Nevertheless, some of the people went out on the seventh day to gather it, but they found none. <sup>28</sup>Then the Lord said to Moses, “How long will you refuse to keep my commands and my instructions? <sup>29</sup>Bear in mind that the Lord has given you the Sabbath; that is why on the sixth day he gives you bread for two days. Everyone is to stay where they are on the seventh day; no one is to go out.” <sup>30</sup>So the people rested on the seventh day.

**Message** “Sabbath – worship”

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

*Unbroken Praise*

### God’s Parting Blessing

#### TODAY

9:30am Worship

10:45am Church School

11am Adult Bible Study

4:30pm Youth Group-9<sup>th</sup> grade

6pm Youth Group-11/12<sup>th</sup>

## CHURCH LIFE

**BOOKMARKS** for reading through the book of Job are available TODAY. Pastor Tom will begin a sermon series on Job beginning next Sunday.

**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).

**FROM THE DEACONS: GIVING STATEMENTS** The 2024 year end giving statements are now available. A copy of this statement was emailed to you using the email address associated with your Elvanto account. If you do not have an email address on file, a hard copy has been placed in your church mailbox.

This statement can also be accessed through your Elvanto account. Once you are logged in, go to the “Profile” menu (found by hovering over your name), then choose the “Giving” option. You will see the option to download your statement here.

If you have any questions about your statement or have not received one, please contact one of the Deacons. Thank You, **Fellowship** Deacons

★ Keep up to date with all the activity of the Church Renewal Lab at [www.fellowshipcrc.com/crl](http://www.fellowshipcrc.com/crl)

## MISSIONS AND COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

### BACKPACK BUDDIES

Thank you for remembering our 31 Backpack Buddies in your prayers and through your giving.

February food items we are collecting include:

- Canned Chunky Soups
- Canned pastas
- Fruit Cups
- Oatmeal (boxes of individual envelopes)
- Nutrigrain bars

Thank you for your support of this ministry.

**Sandy Campo** (616)889-3134

## PRAYER FOCUS

- **Chris Cook** was scheduled to have heart surgery this past week, but Chris and Dave were informed that their insurance was denied. Pray for them as they work with this frustrating situation. Please pray that the insurance will be approved soon. Pray for Chris' fragile heart during this stressful time.
- Continue to pray for **Randy and Cathy Kraker**. Randy Kraker has been moved to Health Bridge for OT and PT rehab. Pray for peace and patience during this time.
- Continue to pray for **Sarah and Rachel Lenhart** as both are recovering from concussions after a car accident a few weeks ago. Pray for continued healing, patience and encouragement in a slow recovery process.
- Give thanks that **Jerry Ronda** was able to return home from the hospital. Pray for continued recovery and healing at home.
- Continue to pray for **Gary and Sue Roode**. Gary fell and fractured his back. He had a hospital stay and time receiving therapy at Health Bridge. Give thanks that he was able to return home. He continues receiving PT and OT at home. Pray for continued healing and regaining strength.
- Please pray for **Rog and Mary Visser's** daughter, Michelle. On Thursday, February 6, Michelle has to have surgery to remove a pre-cancerous spot from her tongue. Please pray that no more cancer is found and that she won't have to get more of her tongue removed. Please pray for relief from anxiety for her whole family
- During the month of January **Steve and Linda Westra** worked with a World Renew DRS (Disaster Response Services) team in Sarasota, Florida. They write: "We were able to repair 9 homes for clients who had been waiting for 2 years. The comment from many of them was 'World Renew renewed my world.'" Give thanks for the work they were able to accomplish, and the encouragement given to residents in this community.
- Please pray for the work of **Mission French Africa Ministries (MFAM)**:
  - Thank God for the 619 pastors that have come to the Kinshasa training center this January to learn about the Word of God.
  - Thank God that four different missionaries will be visiting to help with the teaching.
  - Pray that the electricity from the Kinshasa city grid would become more dependable.
  - Ask God to continue to help Pastor Paul and Charlotte to recover from the “flu” and regain the strength and energy they need for their demanding work.
  - Pray that God will protect the MFAM campus and the Mpindis as rioting continues in their city of Kinshasa due to the unrest of rebels taking over the city of Goma, 1500 miles away.
- Continue to pray for those with ongoing health needs and concerns: Rick Aardema, **Jean Cisler, Rog & Mary Visser**.
- For the **LOVE Food Pantry** and the families that receive support through this ministry.