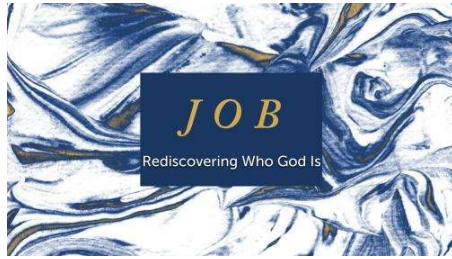


The God Who  
Knows Us  
Job 38:1-21; 40:8-14;  
40:1-5



**FROM THE DEACONS**

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received Jan 13-Feb 2:

Received for General Ministries:	\$ 9,791.31
Received for Christian Education:	\$ 756.81
Community Offering: Guiding Light	\$ 458.02
Mission French Africa <i>Mpindi's</i>	\$ 175.00
DMS	\$ 20.51

From the Treasurer:

Year to Date Receipts: \$13,619.20 Year to Date Expenses: \$ 18,029.83

**Community Offerings**

**TODAY: Desert Streams Ministries – Lont’s**

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 250 students this semester. David, Sara, and Anna also pastor and serve their local church which continues to grow each Sunday. The Lonts have written to express their heartfelt gratitude for Fellowship’s faithful partnership in their ministry over the years. They thank God for the blessing of Fellowship’s consistent generosity and prayer support which has enabled them to continue to spread the Gospel and make a difference in many lives.

**Mar 9:** Denominational Ministry Shares

**Mar 16, 23:** Fellowship Food Pantry



Welcome!  
We are glad you are here!

**CHILDREN ARE WELCOME** in our service

Also available during worship:  
Nursery for infants & toddlers;  
Coloring pages and crayons for kids;  
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

**THIS WEEK**

**Monday, Mar 3**

**Tuesday, Mar 4**  
6pm Life Skills

**Wednesday, Mar 5**

**Thursday, Mar 6**

**Friday, Mar 7**

**Saturday, Mar 8**

**Sunday, Mar 9**  
9:30am Worship  
10:45am Church School  
11am Adult Bible Study

**COMING UP**

**Mar 10** Worship Comm. Meets  
Exec

**Mar 16** Youth Group

**Mar 24** 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)

**TODAY:** For most of the book of Job, God remains silent. When God does finally speak up towards the end of the book, Job is left with just one response to give.

**NEXT WEEK:** First Sunday of Lent

4375 Ivanrest SW, Grandville MI 49418. 616-532-2350

[www.fellowshipcrc.com](http://www.fellowshipcrc.com)

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Call to Worship

*Praise to the Lord the Almighty  
To God Be the Glory  
Blessed Assurance*

### Prayers of the People

**Scripture** *Job 38:1-21; 40:8-14; 40:1-5*

#### **38:1-21**

##### **The Lord Speaks**

**38** Then the Lord spoke to Job out of the storm. He said: <sup>2</sup>“Who is this that obscures my plans with words without knowledge? <sup>3</sup>Brace yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer me. <sup>4</sup>“Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation? Tell me, if you understand. <sup>5</sup>Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? <sup>6</sup>On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone— <sup>7</sup>while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy? <sup>8</sup>“Who shut up the sea behind doors when it burst forth from the womb, <sup>9</sup>when I made the clouds its garment and wrapped it in thick darkness, <sup>10</sup>when I fixed limits for it and set its doors and bars in place, <sup>11</sup>when I said, “This far you may come and no farther; here is where your proud waves halt”? <sup>12</sup>“Have you ever given orders to the morning, or shown the dawn its place, <sup>13</sup>that it might take the earth by the edges and shake the wicked out of it? <sup>14</sup>The earth takes shape like clay under a seal; its features stand out like those of a garment. <sup>15</sup>The wicked are denied their light, and their upraised arm is broken. <sup>16</sup>“Have you journeyed to the springs of the sea or walked in the recesses of the deep? <sup>17</sup>Have the gates of death been shown to you? Have you seen the gates of the deepest darkness? <sup>18</sup>Have you comprehended the vast expanses of the earth? Tell me, if you know all this. <sup>19</sup>“What is the way to the abode of light? And where does darkness reside? <sup>20</sup>Can you take them to their places? Do you know the paths to their dwellings? <sup>21</sup>Surely you know, for you were already born! You have lived so many years!

#### **40:8-14**

<sup>8</sup>“Would you discredit my justice? Would you condemn me to justify yourself? <sup>9</sup>Do you have an arm like God’s, and can your voice thunder like his? <sup>10</sup>Then adorn yourself with glory and splendor, and clothe yourself in honor and majesty. <sup>11</sup>Unleash the fury of your wrath, look at all who are proud and bring them low, <sup>12</sup>look at all who are proud and humble them, crush the wicked where they stand. <sup>13</sup>Bury them all in the dust together; shroud their faces in the grave. <sup>14</sup>Then I myself will admit to you that your own right hand can save you.

#### **40:1-5**

**40** The Lord said to Job: <sup>2</sup>“Will the one who contends with the Almighty correct him? Let him who accuses God answer him!” <sup>3</sup>Then Job answered the Lord: <sup>4</sup>“I am unworthy—how can I reply to you? I put my hand over my mouth. <sup>5</sup>I spoke once, but I have no answer— twice, but I will say no more.”

**Message** “The God Who Knows Us”

*He Knows My Name*

**God’s Parting Blessing**

## CHURCH LIFE

**Ash Wednesday readings and videos are available ONLINE at our website; there will *not* be an in-person Ash Wednesday service this week.**

**NEXT WEEK** we celebrate the sacrament of communion during our Sunday worship service.

**NEXT WEEK** is the first Sunday of lent. There will be an opportunity in the service to receive the imposition of ashes for those who would like to participate.

Last week the COUNCIL approved a communication that will be made available to the congregation next Sunday, which lays out our intended next steps bringing the discussions of denominational issues towards a resolution.

**EASTER FLOWERS** Easter Flower order forms are at the Information Center. There is also an online order form accessible through the link in the midweek (payment instructions on form). If you would like to purchase flowers, please have completed order form and payment to the marked slot at the Information center or to the office by **Sunday, March 23**. Thank You!

**SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY** There is NO ADULT BIBLE STUDY TODAY. Class will resume next week, March 9. 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](mailto:LMPHILO@aol.com)) or **Dave Cook** ([dcCook0104@gmail.com](mailto:dcCook0104@gmail.com)).

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** Happy Birthday to **Terry VanHaitsma** who is celebrating his 86<sup>th</sup> birthday TODAY, March 2. We give thanks for his life and may he know the gift of God’s faithful presence with each new day.

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

### TODAY

9:30am Worship  
10:45am Church School  
6:30pm Youth Group-Toby Mac Concert

## PRAYER FOCUS

- Continue to pray for **Chris and David Cook** as they wait. Their insurance company is still reviewing the heart surgery that Chris needs. Pray that the insurance coverage will be approved, and that God will uphold and strengthen Chris and David during this lengthy process.
- Continue to pray for **Randy and Cathy Kraker** as Hospice is helping to provide care for Randy at Waterford Place.
- Continue to pray for **Sarah and Rachel Lenhart** as they slowly but steadily recover from concussions. The Lenhart family is grateful for the progress being made due to good doctors and medical treatment.
- Continue to pray for **Gary and Sue Roode** as Gary makes progress toward regaining what he lost due to his fall and as Sue cares for him at home.
- Pray for continued healing for **Jerry Ronda** following surgery for bladder cancer, and for **Diane** as she cares for him.
- Continue to pray for **Jean Cisler** as Hospice is helping to provide care for her.
- For the **LOVE Food Pantry** and the families that receive support through this ministry.
- Prayer requests from **David, Sara, and Anna Lont** and **Desert Streams Ministries**:
  - Please pray for Mexico, as it is coming under pressure from the U.S. government because of the immigration and drug cartel issues. This tends to cause an increase in violence.
  - Please especially pray for the area of Hidalgo, where the Lonts live near Tulancingo, that this region would remain peaceful and orderly.
  - Please pray for this semester of the online Bible School. There are just under 250 students spread across different subjects. Please pray for the course facilitators, that they effectively minister to their students' needs.
  - Please pray for wisdom to continue to grow the Bible School.

## MISSIONS AND COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

### BACKPACK BUDDIES

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

March 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