

"Winning People for Christ and Equipping Them to Serve."

# **SEPTEMBER 29, 2024**

"Let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy." Those are words of the psalmist in Psalm 5:11. Whoever you are, wherever you are from, we welcome you, and we invite you to "rejoice" with us about God's goodness and mercy. Let us "ever sing for joy" and praise God with profoundly grateful hearts.

# -ORDER OF SERVICE-

**Prelude** 

**Welcome & Announcements** 

**Call to Worship** 

**Kids Worship** 

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

The Battle Belongs

Praise

**Dismiss Kids** 

**Prayer** 

Sermon

Pastor Kathy Vana

"The Beatitudes"

Matthew 1:1-14

Prayer

**Closing Song** 

**Blessing** 

**Postlude** 

Our Connections Pastor would love to hear from you! Pastor Kathy Vana: kathy@rehoboth.church

# -SCHEDULE-

#### **TODAY**

9 AM, Morning Prayer9:30 AM, Worship Service

Speaker: Pastor Kathy Vana

10:50 – 11:30 AM, Adult Sunday School

5 PM, Middle School Group

6 PM, High School Youth Group

6 PM, Elizabeth Circle, Leader: Pam S.

Host: Deb R.

#### THIS WEEK

Tuesday, October 1

7 PM, Worship Practice

Wednesday, October 2

10:30 AM, Young at Heart Color Tour 11 AM, CCHC – Home School Group

Thursday, October 3

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM, Food Distribution

#### **NEXT WEEK**

Sunday, October 6

Missions Conference Week 1

9 AM, Morning Prayer

9:05 AM, Hymn Sing

9:30 AM, Worship Service

Speaker: Mark Bosscher, SIM

10:50 - 11:30 AM, Adult Sunday School

5 PM, Middle School Group

6 PM, High School Youth Group

**Tuesday, October 8** 

7 PM, Worship Practice

7 PM, Consistory Meeting

Wednesday, October 9

11 AM, CCHC - Home School Group

Thursday, October 10

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM, Food Distribution

4:30 PM, Staff Meeting

Out: Pastor Kathy, Sept. 30 - Oct. 1

House of Prayer for the remainder of the year October 20, November 17, and December 8

## -SPECIAL MUSIC-

The Worship Committee has chosen the song "For the Cause," written by Keith & Kristyn Getty, as our "theme" song for the Mission Conference. Each week in October we will be singing this song. A copy of the lyrics are available at the bulletin tables.



<u>Kids Church Dismissals:</u> Kids Church classes, **Pre-K – 5**<sup>th</sup> **grade, will be dismissed at 11 AM**. Nursery and toddler classes will be dismissed when service is over. Thank you!

<u>Kids Check-In</u>: Don't forget to check-in your child(ren) upon arriving at church at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings! Here children will be registered, if they aren't already, and given name tags. Our name tags help the kids church volunteers learn names, they will include your phone number(s) to contact you during service if needed, and will even include any allergies your child(ren) may have.

<u>Nursing Mothers</u>: Downstairs in the toddler room there is a private nursing room for you to nurse. There is a TV installed in the nursing room so that you can watch and enjoy service in real time in the comfort of the private room. You are most welcome to use it whenever the need arises.

<u>Kids Church Busy Bags</u>: Parents, do you have little ones that just aren't ready to venture to kids church and leave you yet? Worried they won't be entertained during service? We have the answer! "Busy Bags" are now available at the check-in desk near the welcome center. Please help yourself and take home.

# -CONNECT SUNDAY-

We are excited to announce a new opportunity for our middle and high school students here at Rehoboth! Starting next month, on the first Sunday of every month, we will be launching "Connect Sunday." During the time when the young-er children head to Kid's Church, our middle and high school students will gather in the youth room for a time of deeper connection—both with God's Word and with each other.

"Connect Sunday" is all about building strong foundations. Through engaging lessons on topics such as the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and the Beatitudes, we aim to help our students gain a richer understanding of the Bible and its relevance in their lives today. This is a time to explore the teachings of Jesus in a way that resonates with our youth, encouraging them to live out these truths daily.

I believe God has placed this vision on my heart to immerse our students in the core truths of the Bible that we may have drifted away from in recent years. I am looking forward to starting this journey with the middle and high schoolers who call Rehoboth their home. If you have any questions or need more information, feel free to reach out to me, Jason Scholten, at jason@rehoboth.church. Let's grow together in faith and fellowship! First Meeting: Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>!

#### -ANNOUNCEMENTS-

October Young at Heart: Please join us on our color tour on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER **2**<sup>ND</sup> at 10:30 AM, with lunch to follow at Lakeside Charlies. We will be meeting our bus at Baker College (back parking lot). More details to follow. Sign-up at the welcome center!

Amazing Race: The Fellowship Team is excited to invite you to join us for our next adventure. On **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13**<sup>TH</sup> at 5:30 PM we will be hosting the Amazing Race here at church. You will need to come that night with a tank full of gas, a team to ride with or be ready to join a team, your running shoes, and clothes for the weather. Food will be served when we are finished so come out and join us for the fun! Any questions, please talk to Jason Scholten or Pastor Kathy.

<u>SAVE THE DATE: Golden Girls Lunch</u>: *Please note the location change*. The next meeting for the Golden Girls is **MONDAY, OCTOBER 21**<sup>ST</sup> at 11:30 AM at Reedy's Restaurant in McBain.

<u>Media Team</u>: Do you have the gift of technology and want to serve behind the scenes during worship services? We're looking for people to help run the sound board and advance slides. Training provided! If you're interested in more information, email worship@rehoboth.church.

#### -COMMUNITY-

<u>Living Waters Hospitality House:</u> Beginning **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2^{ND}** FREE lunches will be provided to those in need Every Wednesday from 11:30 AM - 1 PM. Lunch will be served at Lake City Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 5804 W. Houghton Lake Rd., Lake City.

The Women's Philharmonic Chorus will begin practicing Saturdays starting SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup> from 4:30 PM – 6 PM at Cadillac Christian Reformed Church on M - 55. We will practice every Saturday until our programs on December 7, 8 & 9. If you are a soprano or alto and would like to join a group for this holiday season, we would love to have you. Please contact director Angela Warner at kirkangelawarner@hotmail.com or text or call 231-330-0894 if you have any questions.

<u>Vogel Center Harvest Party!</u> We are excited to offer a FREE fall event to our community again! Join us on **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5**<sup>TH</sup>, between 12 PM - 4 PM. We will have hay rides, a petting zoo, pony rides, pumpkins, games, multiple bounce houses and inflatable@ We will also have FREE food available during the event including hot dogs, chips, donuts, cookies, popcorn and fall drinks.

<u>Grief Share, Surviving the Holidays</u>: The holidays are challenging when you're grieving a loss. "Surviving the Holidays" provides encouragement, support and valuable tools to navigate the season. Join us for this holiday seminar at Vogel Center CRC 1789 E. Stoney Corners Rd McBain on **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26**<sup>TH</sup> from 9 AM – 11 AM. Contact information – Vogel Church Office vccrc@outlook.com or (231) 825-2053.

<u>Living Different Music Workshop</u>: Join us on **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23**<sup>RD</sup> 9 AM – 8:15 PM for a Christ-filled music workshop! This workshop is for 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students who have a passion for music. If you love to sing, play guitar (acoustic, electric, or bass), play percussion or drumming, keyboard or piano, love tech/audio/light, please prayerfully consider registering with Music for the Masses for this amazing event! Pre-registration is required! Taking place at Kalkaska Church of Christ. To register scan the QR OR visit

https://qrco.de/bfQ4z6. Questions? Contact Kristin Gowen at (231) 878-1119 OR musicforthemasses.mi@gmail.com

#### -KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS-

Keep in your prayers the members of our congregation who are in nursing or health care facilities, Dorothy Bazuin at Maple Ridge Living Center in Cadillac, Margaret Elenbaas at Quiet Creek in Falmouth, Jeanette Derrick & Kay Hofstra at Curry House in Cadillac and Betty Meyering at Whispering Pines in Lake City.

Be in prayer for the following person(s), as they undergo treatment and receive on going care for cancer: Don Schepers

# -PRAYER CHAIN CALLS & UPDATES-

"Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in Him." ~ 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

<u>8/28/2024</u>: Please pray for **Adam Gilde**, son of Dave and JoAnn Gilde. He is an inpatient at Munson in Traverse City, being treated for a double lung infection. He is on a ventilator and needs the medicines to begin to work TODAY, 8/28. Please pray for this and that the Holy Spirit would work within his body and the Great Physician would heal him. **UPDATE 8/30**: Adam has been transported from Traverse City to the ICU unit at the U of M in Ann Arbor. **UPDATE 9/3**: Doctors at the U of M hospital are trying to take Adam off the medications and vent today. Please pray that Adam's body reacts positively to these changes and that the Lord grants him the healing he is in need of today. **UPDATE 9/6**: Adam is off the vent now and hospital staff is working hard to help him regain all of his faculties. The family is thankful for his progress and for your continued prayers. **UPDATE 9/17**: Adam is now at Mary Free Bed. **UPDATE 9/19**: Adam went home 9/18. The family is rejoicing and praising God for His blessings! Thank you for your prayers and please continue to pray for Adam's recovery. **UPDATE 9/24**: Adam is home and is doing very well recovering, PRAISE!

<u>9/9/2024</u>: Please be in prayer for **Karen Schaaf**, daughter of Jeanette Derrick and sister to Nancy Thompson. After having a really bad headache on 9/7, Karen was taken to the hospital in Grand Rapids on 9/8 and was diagnosed with a brain aneurysm. Doctors are still not sure where the bleeding is coming from and are hoping to do an MRI on 9/9. Please be in prayer for Karen and her family during this difficult time for them. **UPDATE 9/11**: Doctors have found the brain bleed and have been able to get it to stop. They are still concerned about complications so they will be monitoring her closely. There will be a long road to recovery ahead. Please be in prayer for their entire family as they wait upon the Lord in His tender mercy. **UPDATE 9/17**: Karen remains in the ICU, her condition is stable but serious. Doctors are concerned over another brain

bleed occurring, so they are monitoring her closely. **UPDATE 9/25**: Karen remains in the ICU. She woke up yesterday and seemed to be a little better and then in the afternoon they had to rush her for a CT scan and right after that she had another angiogram. The carotid arteries were having spasms (restricted blood flow). Everything went well and they are keeping her blood pressure high.

<u>9/16/2024</u>: **Barb Hoekwater** is back in the hospital in Cadillac struggling with some heart issues. She is hoping to be released later this week to move to Whispering Pines Senior Living near Lake City. **UPDATE 9/19**: Barb was moved to Whispering Pines on 9/18. She is in Room 202B. Thank you to those who helped move her to her new home. Please pray for her as she adjusts to being there as it has been tumultuous time for her between hospital stays and nursing homes. **UPDATE 9/21**: Barb went into the hospital in Traverse City on 9/20. Doctors are trying to get her heart regulated. **UPDATE 9/26**: Barb was diagnosed with atrial fibrillation and she is now at Samaritas in Cadillac for rehab. After she is done there she will move back to Whispering Pines and she hopes it will be soon.

<u>9/21/2024</u>: **Kim VanderVlucht's Dad** is at Henry Ford Hospital as they are trying to open up some ducts for him. **UPDATE 9/24**: Kim is currently in Detroit caring for her mom while her dad is awaiting a liver procedure at Henry Ford Hospital. He originally went in with gall bladder issues thinking he would need his gull bladder removed (which he will need done). Through more testing and diagnostics, they found that his liver ducts are clogged by some type of tumor. He will be undergoing a procedure to place a drainage tube inside and temporarily outside his body. They will also biopsy the blockage to see what they are dealing with. Please also pray for Kim's mom as she has Parkinson's and requires one on one care. Kim and her mom are planning to go home until 9/26 this week per her dad's request.

9/24/2024: **Elnora Mulder**, Grandma to Shawn and Courtney Mulder, passed away on 9/21 and a funeral was held for her on 9/24. Please be in prayer for their family.



<u>9/24/2024</u>: **Harv Pluger** went home to be with the Lord in the early morning of 9/24. Please be in prayer for his wife Skip and their entire family in this time of shock, disbelief and loss. A funeral service was held on 9/27 here at Rehoboth with Pastor Kevin Schutt officiating.

<u>9/25/24</u>: Please be in prayer for **Kerwin Karsten**. On 9/30 he will be having back surgery. Pray for the surgeon and for a swift recovery.

## -CARD SHOWER-

Let's shower Adam Gilde & Karen Schaaf with love in a form of a card!

Adam Gilde 7194 Jamie Drive McBain, MI 49657 Meijer Heart Center Karen Schaaf, Room 4832 100 Michigan St. NE Grand Rapids, MI 49503



# -OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS-

Please help us in wishing those of our congregation with October Birthdays! From everyone at Rehoboth HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Gary Hamming Oct 1
Frances Bierens Oct 2
Julie Dick Oct 3
Louis Bouma Oct 4
Thelma Smallegan Oct 8

Donna Maynard Oct 12 John Nelson Oct 12 Clay Boven Oct 16 Jean VanderTuuk Oct 17 Arlene Scholten Oct 20 Kerwin Karsten Oct 21
Phyllis VanderVlucht Oct 25
Carol Dykgraaf Oct 28
Bernie Meyering Oct 28
Dorothy Bazuin Oct 29

## -SPECIAL THANKS-

Thank you to everyone who reached out, called, sent cards, flowers and dropped goodies off during the difficult time of Gloria's brother Greg's passing. We could feel your prayers and love!



-Gloria & Jason Scholten