



**Niekerk Christian Reformed Church
January 10, 2021**

NIEKERK CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

January 10, 2021

Morning Worship Service 9:30am

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

***No Other Name**

***King of Kings**

~Little Lambs is dismissed~

Prayer

***There Is a Fountain**

Children's Message

Scripture: Luke 3:1-14

Message: **Repentance for the Forgiveness of Sins**

Prayer

***In Christ Alone**

*God's Blessing

***Stronger**

Postlude

Offering: Lao CRC

Pastor Darren Kornelis

Organist: Karen Lucas

Pianist: Kristi Driscoll

WORSHIP SERVICE NOTES

Live Stream. The morning and evening services will be live at 9:30am and 6:00pm on the website www.niekerkcrc.org under sermons. The services will be uploaded immediately following the live stream to watch later in the day.

Little Lambs meets during the morning worship service for children age 3 and 4. Lesson—Fishers of Men & Folk; Leaders—Kim Walters, Lisa Wedeven and Dana Hondred.

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE—6:00pm

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

****You're Worthy of My Praise***

****Shout to the Lord***

Prayer

****Blessed Be Your Name***

Scripture: Habakkuk 3:17-19

Message: **Praise Him in All Circumstances**

Prayer of Application

****10,000 Reasons***

*God's Blessing

****Fill Thou My Life, O Lord, My God***

Postlude

Offering: Lao CRC

Pastor Jason Pierce

Organist: Marge Boeve

Pianist: Kristi Driscoll

Nursery Attendants:

This Week: Deb Slenk, Sara & Maria Heeres

Next Week: Abby Helder, Kathi Petroelje and Kate Van Dyke

Last week's envelope collections totaled \$9,140. This amount includes electronic giving.

Offering Schedule for December:

January 10 Lao CRC

January 17 Positive Options

January 24 Benevolent Fund

January 31 Cadets

IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICES

Niekerk Family,

At the January 4 meeting, Council decided to change COVID precautions beginning Sunday, January 10.

We will return to the precautions implemented in October of last year with areas in the church provided for worship with and without masks. Please wear a mask while traveling through the church. The balcony and rear third of the church will be marked off for members to worship with masks. Members who wish to worship with no social distancing or wearing masks during the service including while singing will need to be seated in the front 2/3rd of the sanctuary on either side.

The service will also be live streamed in the Fellowship Center as needed for any overflow that might occur or members who would feel more comfortable worshipping there with masks being optional.

Coffee will also be served (pending arrangement of servers) in the Fellowship Center following the morning service for anyone comfortable enjoying refreshments while not social distancing or wearing a mask.

Sunday School and Catechism are scheduled to restart on Sunday, January 17. Cadets, GEMS, and Youth Group are scheduled to restart on January 20.

The Niekerk Council continues to ask for your prayers and grace during these difficult times. We also thank God that Niekerk members contracting COVID have recovered or are on their way to recovery.

The Niekerk Council

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Julie and Katie Mulder have had a great experience at Mayo Clinic. A few more tests on Monday and Tuesday and they will be heading home.

Lorraine Nykamp fell and broke her back two weeks ago. She is now home. Continue to pray for her healing.

Happy Birthday to **Leona Scholten**! She is 82 today! Her favorite verse is, "My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am."

John 14: 2-3

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason's Resignation. Council has sent a letter to the congregation via the info email noting that Pastor Jason has accepted a call to be Missions Director at Calvary CRC in Holland. His farewell service with Niekerk is scheduled for the morning service on January 17 when he will also provide additional comments on his decision. Niekerk appreciates Pastor Jason's passion for the Lord and the challenges he brings to live for Christ's kingdom. We pray this will serve him well in his new position.

The Color of Compromise: We will be postponing our January 13 meeting and will plan to tentatively gather again on Wednesday, January 27, at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Center to continue to listen, learn, and discuss racial justice. We would love to have you join us. Watch the bulletin for further details. If you have any questions, feel free to talk to Jamie Hop, Jen Leep, or Mary Jo Staal.

Abby Mulder will be filling in at the office. Her hours will be 9:00am to 3:00pm Monday through Thursday.

2020 Contribution Statements have been placed in the mailboxes at church. Any statements not picked up by Sunday January 31, 2021 will be mailed out.

2021 Offering Envelope Boxes have been placed in the mailboxes at church. Any envelope boxes not picked up will be distributed by the Deacons. Thank you for your generous contributions to Niekerk in the past year to support the Lord's work in our church, in our community, and in our world!

Congregational Meeting 2021 Budget. The Executive Committee collected and counted ballots for the Niekerk 2021 Budget with the following results: 88 votes yes, 22 votes no, with an additional 9 ballots not counted due to submission without signatures. Full Council was given this information and has voted to confirm the results. Thanks to Niekerk's members for returning ballots as well as providing feedback and questions to Council for consideration. We are truly thankful for the ongoing prayers that have been offered on behalf of Council amidst this year of many extra challenges.

The Heights of Hope staff would like to say thank you to all who made donations to Heights of Hope Christmas Store this year! Things have been so unsure for so many this year, but we are so thankful that the Christmas Store was able to help provide gifts for families this year. That wouldn't have happened without you! Thank you!

Picture Directory—Pictures Still Needed! There is still time to send in a family photo! Email or mail or put in the kitchen mail slot a copy of the picture to Julie Mulder at secretary@niekerkcrc.org.

Hand2Hand. We will be collecting canned chicken (5 or 12.5 oz only) and no-sugar-added fruit cups. Feel free to donate multiple items if you are able as we are putting more food in the bags this year.

Returnable 10¢ cans and bottles for the Youth Group. You may drop off returnable cans any time by the storage building (garage).

American Red Cross Blood Drive February 8. Patients are counting on lifesaving blood throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. If you are healthy and feeling well, please schedule an appointment to donate blood with the American Red Cross in the weeks ahead: rcblood.org/appt

Church Assistance Program. During highly stressful times, many of us become afraid, uncertain, sad, frustrated, and completely exhausted. Our relationships with families, friends, coworkers and others become strained, and it can be hard to see a way out. Do not ignore the conflict, or it will fester! Instead, work with your CAP counselors to learn conflict resolution skills. Please call 616-455-6210 or 800-442-0809 to make a free confidential appointment.

Dates for Your Calendar: *All events are tentative.*

January 13	The Color of Compromise postponed
January 17	Communion AM Catechism & Sunday School
January 18	Executive Committee Meeting
January 20	Cadets, GEMS & Youth Group
January 24	Cadet Sunday Catechism & Sunday School
January 27	The Color of Compromise
January 31	Catechism & Sunday School

Elder and Deacon Districts:

A-Bowman	Doug Wedeven	Scott Sybesma
Brandsen-Grotenhuis	Bob Steenwyk	Kevin Schut
Haan-Janssen	Paul Bulthuis	Joel Kryger
Jones-Leep	John Janssen	Mike Schierbeek
Louwerse-Plaggemars	Ron Dalman	Dean Koopman
Prince - Shoemaker	Greg Leenstra	Bryan Van Dyke
Slenk-Tjarks	Mark Hop	Shane Plaggemars
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*****All services are streamed live*****

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