



Niekerk Christian Reformed Church
October 11, 2020

NIEKERK CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

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Morning Worship Service 9:30am

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

***Be Unto Your Name**

***It Is Well**

~Little Lambs is dismissed~

Prayer

***Cornerstone**

Children's Message

Scripture: **Isaiah 41:8-13**

Message: **I AM with You**

Prayer of Application

*God's Blessing

***Oceans**

~The live stream will end at this portion of the service~

Commissioning

Prayer

Postlude

Offering: Holland Deacons' Conference

Pastor Jason Pierce

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 also be uploaded immediately following the live stream to watch later in the day.

The live stream will end during the morning worship service as we commission our missionary.

Little Lambs meets during the morning worship service for children age 3 and 4. Lesson—Noah's Ark; Leaders—Kyleigh, Adalynn & Savannah

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE—6:00pm

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

****How Lovely Is Your Dwelling***

****Your Name***

Prayer

****Christian Hearts in Love United***

Scripture: **Ecclesiastes 4:1-16**

Message: **What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

Prayer of Application

****Oh, How Good It Is***

*God's Blessing

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

Postlude

Offering: Holland Deacons' Conference

Pastor Darren Kornelis

Organist: Karen Lucas

Pianist: Kristi Driscoll

Last week's envelope collections totaled \$7,155. This amount includes electronic giving.

Nursery Attendants:

This week: Kathi Petroelje, Sara & Maria Heeres

Next week: Dawn Folkert, Trisha Texer & Kate Van Dyke

Offering Schedule for October:

October 11 Holland Deacons' Conference

October 18 World Renew

October 25 Multiplication Network

COUNCIL NOTES

At the Monday evening, October 5, Council meeting, the following COVID precautions will be changed beginning Sunday, October 11.

It is still strongly recommended that masks be worn at all times while entering and exiting the church. All members are encouraged to attend both morning and evening services with no limitations by Elder district.

Three areas will be provided for members who would like to attend while social distancing and wearing masks. The balcony and 1/3 of the rows in the rear on both sides of the sanctuary will be reserved for members wishing to worship with these restrictions.

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 2/3^{rds} of the sanctuary on either side.

The service will also be shown 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 in the Fellowship Center following the morning service for anyone who is comfortable enjoying refreshments while not social distancing or wearing a mask.

The Council continues to request your prayers as we continue to evaluate the best way for everyone to worship together while keeping everyone safe! Should you have any concerns or questions regarding these changes please contact one of the members of the Executive Committee or your district Elder.

THIS WEEK AT NIEKERK

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	10:45 AM	Morning Fellowship
	10:45 AM	Catechism
	10:45 AM	Sunday school
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
Tuesday	9:00 AM	Ladies Craft Day
	9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Hand2Hand Packing
	11:00 AM	Senior (65+) Singles
	7:00 PM	Color of Compromise

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Happy Birthday to **Al Geurink!** He will be 87 years old on Saturday. His favorite verse is, "Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever." Psalm 106:1

Happy Birthday to **Connie Petroelje!** She will be 88 years old on Friday. Her favorite verse is, "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." Matthew 6:34

We mourn with **Vic and Janelle Sharda** and the family in the passing of Vic's son, Scott Sharda. The funeral was Friday at La Grave CRC.

Congratulations to **Jarin and Bridget (Rozeboom) Venema!** They were united in marriage on Friday, October 9, at Harderwyk CRC. May God bless their marriage and be their guide throughout their lives.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Niekerk News Reminder. It's that time again to gather information for the November newsletter. Please submit reports, thank you notes, volunteer lists and all other news by next Sunday, October 18. Notes can be placed in the kitchen service door mail slot, the newsletter mailboxes located in the bottom right hand corner of each mailbox section or send an email to secretary@niekerkrc.org.

Operation Christmas Child "Shoebboxes". Today shoeboxes will be available for you to pick up and fill! Check out the October Niekerk News for details. Please return your shoeboxes by October 25.

Women's Fall Bible Study will meet this Tuesday morning, October 13, from 9:30am-10:45am in the basement All-Purpose Room. Please come ready to discuss Lesson 4 (pages 44-50) in the book *Jesus Calling: Experiencing God's Presence* by Sarah Young. Remember to bring along your mask and any drink/snack for yourself.

The Color of Compromise. We will be gathering again on Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Center to continue to listen, learn, and discuss racial justice. We would love to have you join us. If you have any questions, feel free to talk to Jamie Hop, Jen Leap, or Mary Jo Staal.

Adopt a Niekerk Young Adult: Please consider blessing and encouraging our Niekerk young adults in this way. There are five boys and one girl available. If you have questions, would like more information or would like to sign up and adopt a young adult, please talk to, email or call Caleb Nykamp.

Youth Director Position. As many of you may know, Caleb Nykamp will be finished with his studies at the end of this year and will be looking for a full-time ministry position. Caleb intends to finish with this year's youth ministries season, but we are beginning to look for his replacement. If you know of someone who you think might be able to fill this role, please let either Greg Leenstra or Meredith Sybesma know.

Hand2Hand. Plastic bags are needed! If you would like to volunteer, please contact Sara Heeres or Lisa Wedeven. There is COVID protocol that must be considered for volunteers.

A Non-Partisan Voter guide can be found at www.michiganfamily.org. This guide includes US races, Michigan races, university boards, and ballot proposal language. Tuesday, November 3, is election day!

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

Picture Directory—Pictures Still Needed! Our goal is to update all of the pictures in the church directory. Here is your chance to add a personal touch to your family picture. Submit a recent picture or take a picture of your family at a favorite spot: at the beach, at the park, in your yard or home. Email or mail or put in the kitchen mail slot a copy of the picture to Julie Mulder at secretary@niekerkcrc.org.

The Annual Mitten-Plus Drive is coming soon! Items needed are mittens, gloves, scarves, hats, slippers, sweaters, etc. in ALL SIZES—children's and adults. We especially need large size mittens and gloves. *All items must be new!* They can be handmade, machine made, or purchased. Please consider now what you can contribute. The collection box is in the hallway by the mailboxes.

Church Assistance Program. The difficult and stressful circumstances caused by COVID-19 have been shown to increase overall suicide rates, especially in healthcare workers, children and teens, people with a substance use disorder, and individuals trapped in abusive homes. Don't be afraid to talk to someone if you are worried because it might save their life. If you have questions about how to talk to them, call our CAP at 616-455-6210 or 1-800-442-0809 for free, professional and confidential support. If this is a crisis, please contact any of these resources: CAP Hotline 1-800-442-0809, National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-8255, and the Crisis Text Line: text HOME to 741741

Dates for Your Calendar:

October 18	Catechism & Sunday School
October 19	Executive Meeting
October 20	Women's Bible Study
October 21	Cadets, GEMS & Youth Group
October 27	Women's Bible Study

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
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*****All services are streamed live*****

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