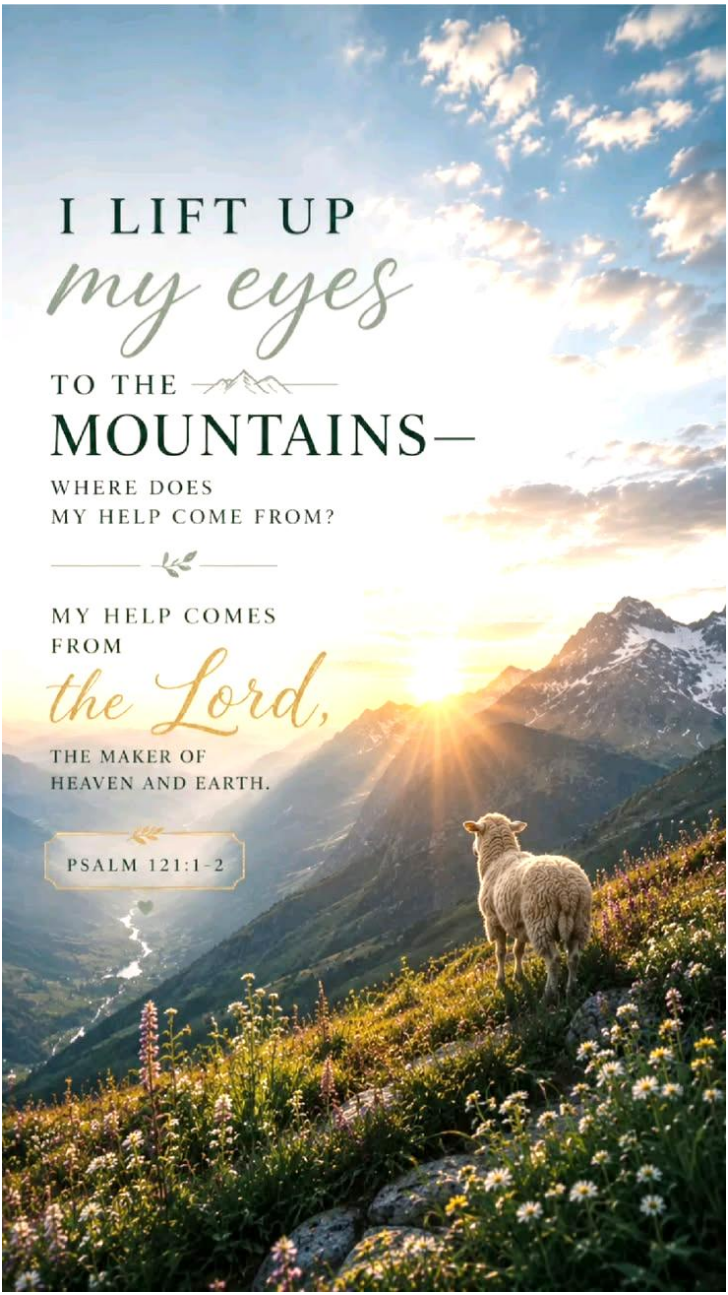

Niekerk Christian Reformed Church

Growing in Christ & Making Him Known

October 18, 2026

NIEKERK CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

October 18, 2026
Morning Worship Service 9:30am

Prelude
Welcome
*Call to Worship
*God's Greeting
*Mutual Greeting
O Come, My Soul, Sing Praise
Father, Spirit, Jesus
Prayer of Confession
Words of Assurance
All My Boast Is in Jesus
Children's Message
~Little Lambs is dismissed~
Prayer for The Pumpkin Party
Prayer
Offering: Langteau's
~PLEASE SIGN AND PASS THE FELLOWSHIP REGISTERS~
We Long to See You
Scripture: Matthew 17:1-8 – page 1528
Message: **The Glory of God**
Prayer
Crown Him with Many Crowns
*God's Blessing
Sing to the King
Postlude

Pastor David Bast
Pianist: Jen Leep
Organist: Karen Lucas

*Stand as you are able

WORSHIP SERVICE NOTES

Live Stream and In-Person Worship. The morning and evening services will be live and in person at 9:30am and 5pm. The live stream can be found on the website www.niekerkcrc.org under sermons. The services will be uploaded following the live stream.

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE—5:00pm

Prelude
Welcome
Call to Worship
*God's Greeting
*Mutual Greeting
Ancient of Days
He Will Keep You
Psalm 16
Song of the Saints
Prayer
Offering: Langteau's
~PLEASE SIGN AND PASS THE FELLOWSHIP REGISTERS~
How Firm a Foundation
*Scripture: II Corinthians 5:17-21 – page 1797
Message**: I Don't Belong Here**
Prayer
The Love of God
*God's Blessing
Lead On, O King Eternal
Postlude

Pastor John Ornee
Pianist: Jen Leep
Organist: Karen Lucas

*Stand as you are able

Little Lambs meets during the morning worship service for children who are age three through preschool. Your child will be released to Little Lambs after the children's message. Lesson: Joseph; Leaders: Kim Walters and Kayla Texer

Coffee, juice and cookies will be served after the morning service in the Fellowship Center.

Catechism and Sunday School will not meet today due to the Christian School Education Association convention.

Last week's envelope collection totaled $4,455. This amount includes electronic giving.

Offering Schedule:

October 18 Langteau's
October 25 Forgotten Man Ministries

Nursery Attendants:

This Week: AM: Laura VanderZwaag & Jessica Schutter
PM: Deb Slenk & Lisa Kragt
Next Week: AM: Sara Heeres & Kathi Petroelje
PM: Kaylin Van Dyke & Abby Helder

THIS WEEK AT NIEKERK

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Coffee Fellowship
	11:00 AM	At the Gate
	5:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
Monday	9:00 AM	Indoor Walking
Thursday	9:00 AM	Indoor Walking
	9:30 AM	Men's Bible Study (Luke 8:16-21)
	5:30 PM	Pumpkin Party!

YOUTH MINISTRIES

High School Youth Group: Our next meeting is Sunday, October 25. Our study will be on the Parable of Talents.

Middle School and High School Youth Group: Our next event will be Friday, October 30. Stay tuned for details as the date approaches.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Happy Birthday to **Pete Jacobsen!** He will be 84 years old on Wednesday. His favorite verse is, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5-6

Pray for those who stand in need of healing and daily strength for **Delia Gale, Barb Shoemaker, Bill Keen** and **Cal Schierbeek.** Pray for renewed strength for **Jerry Holmes, Stan Brandsen, Therese DeVries,** and **Ron Kapenga.** Give thanks for their improvement.

Lorraine Snay was called home to be with the Lord on Monday. Pray for **Jim and his family** in this time of sorrow and loss.

Pray for those you know **who can't get out** the way they were once able. Ask the Lord to bless them with the awareness of His presence each day.

Pray for the **missions and missionaries** we help to support. Pray this week for **Mohan & Judy Chacko, Laura Helder, Josh & Anna, Matt & Emily Slack.**

Continue in prayer for the **Pastoral Search Team.** Give thanks for them and pray for their continued wisdom and discernment.

Pray for the **Pumpkin Party** this Thursday. Be alert to those you may have opportunity to invite to share in the evening. Pray that each one who comes will encounter beautiful expressions of the love of Jesus.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Niekerk News Deadline Today. Remember to submit reports, thank you notes, volunteer lists and all other news today. 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@niekerkcrc.org.

Retirees' Dinner. *It's the last day to sign up!* The Deacons and their spouses invite you to join them on Tuesday, October 27, for an evening of food and fellowship at the Trestle Stop Restaurant in Hamilton. Dinner will be served at 6:00pm. RSVP by signing on the sheet at the Information Center. If transportation is needed, please indicate that on the signup sheet.

Bakers! We need desserts for The Great Pumpkin Party bake-off! Categories: Pumpkin pie, pumpkin desserts, Apple pie, and apple desserts. **Kids Dessert Bake-off Contest**! Start thinking of your favorite fall dessert and maybe have Mom or Dad help you with it. We would love to see lots of entries from all of you.

Operation Christmas Child "shoeboxes!" Pick up your shoeboxes today! Help send a shoebox of gifts and "The Greatest Journey" booklet to a child far away! Please return your filled shoeboxes next week Sunday, October 25. Please do not put soap, toothpaste, used or damaged items in your shoeboxes.

Cloud of Witnesses. On November 1, at our morning worship, we will celebrate the "Cloud of Witnesses" that surround us as we worship. Turn in a picture or an updated picture, name and a brief description of the people who have taught and discipled you in their faith...those who have gone on to glory! Submit or email a picture to Julie Mulder secretary@niekerkcrc.org by **next Sunday, October 25. If you submitted a picture last year, it will be included this year.**

"At the Gate" Bible Study meets in narthex just outside the sanctuary door at 11:00am. Join with others as we meet to study and apply the passage of the sermon this morning. You are welcome!

Niekerk Holiday Choir is coming this fall and will sing for Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas. Rehearsals will begin on Sunday, November 8, following the morning worship service. All singing adults are welcome to join.

Hand2Hand is collecting noodle packs of dry ramen noodle (chicken, beef, pork or soy flavors) and no-sugar-added individual fruit cups for October. *Please purchase only the items and sizes listed. Large items are too difficult for the younger children to carry home.*

Pine Rest Church Assistance Program. Both children and adults can be on the receiving end of bullying, and the effects can be devastating. If you or your child is experiencing intimidation, harassment, hostility, insults, or shaming at school or work, reach out to our CAP for compassionate guidance and support. Call 1-800-442-0809 (press 1) and say you are a CAP member with Niekerk for free and confidential support.

Reformation Commemoration Event. You are invited to a Holland Area Reformation Commemoration event entitled: "Why Are We So Anxious and Divided About Faith and Politics? Martin Luther Has the Answer." The speaker will be Dr. Jeff Tyler from the Hope College Religion Department. Time and Location: Sunday, November 1, 2026, 6:30pm at Pillar Church in Holland on 9th and College. Refreshments provided.

Dates for Your Calendar

October 28	Wednesday Night at Niekerk
October 30	Monthly Prayer Gathering
	Hand2Hand Packing
December 6	Christmas Caroling

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