

Niekerk Christian Reformed Church

Growing in Christ & Making Him Known
November 16, 2025

NIEKERK CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

November 16, 2025 Morning Worship Service 9:30am

Prelude

Welcome

- *Call to Worship
- *God's Greeting
- *Mutual Greeting
- *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

*Forever

Prayer of Confession Words of Assurance

*What He's Done

Children's Message

~ Little Lambs is dismissed~

Prayer

Offering: Niekerk Christian Education Fund

~PLEASE SIGN AND PASS THE FELLOWSHIP REGISTERS~

*Blessed Jesus, At Your Word

Scripture: Zechariah 3:1-10 – page 1478

Message: Cleansed!

Prayer

*Thank You, Jesus, for the Blood

*God's Blessing

*Glory, Glory, Hallelujah

Postlude

Dr. Paul Mpindi

Pianist: Kristi Driscoll

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.

^{*}Stand as you are able

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE—5:00pm

Prelude Welcome

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Confession of Faith

*Once Again

Prayer

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*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

*Scripture: John 4:25-42 – page 1655

Message: The First Missionary Journey: Making Disciples

Prayer

*I Speak Jesus

*God's Blessing

*Sent Forth By God's Blessing

Postlude

Pastor Tom Pettinga Pianist: Kristi Driscoll

Remember to pass the Fellowship Registers.

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

Catechism classes for 4th to 12th grade meet in the youth building.

Sunday School classes for Preschool to 3rd grade meet in the basement in the All Purpose Room.

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

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Last week's envelope collection totaled \$4,745. This amount includes electronic giving.

Offering Schedule:

November 16 Niekerk Christian Education Fund

November 23 Growing Hope Globally

November 27 Holland Rescue Mission (Thanksgiving)

November 30 Building Men For Life

Nursery Attendants:

This Week: AM: Melinda Kryger & Dana Hondred

PM: Carol Venema & Kathie Helder

Next Week: AM: Kathi Petroelje & Renee & Emma Texer

PM: Kaylin Van Dyke & Deb Slenk

THIS WEEK AT NIEKERK

Today 9:30 AM Morning Worship Service

10:45 AM Coffee Fellowship

10:45 AM Catechism & Sunday School

10:45 AM Choir Practice

5:00 PM Evening Worship Service 6:00 PM High School Youth Group

Monday 9:00 AM Indoor Walking

Wednesday 5:20 PM Wednesday Night at Niekerk

5:45 PM Nursery & Crafts 6:15 PM GEMS & Cadets

Thursday 9:00 AM Indoor Walking

9:30 AM Men's Bible Study (James 5:7-12)

Friday 9:00 AM Hand2Hand Packing

6:00 PM MS & HS Youth Group

YOUTH MINISTRIES

High School Youth Group: We will be continuing our study on Job tonight Sunday, November 16, after the evening service. We will also be doing a hands-on activity to help us put some of what we are learning into practice. Can't wait to see you there!

Middle School and High School event: Our next event will be this Friday, November 21, from 6pm to 8pm in the Fellowship Center. Please eat before you come. There will be snacks and drinks provided. Come for a night of fun and games and feel free to take your friends. Sign up at the Information Center.

COUNCIL NOTES

The Congregation Meeting will be held on Monday, December 8, at 7:00pm. The proposed budget will be in your mailboxes on Sunday, November 23.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Give thanks for the Lord's healing grace. **Elaine Brower** received treatment this past week to control her racing heart.

Lou Wagenveld's shingle symptoms have shown marked improvement this week. Pray for continued healing.

Continue to pray for healing and strength for Cal Schierbeek, Bill Keen, Jerry Brower, and Jean Tjarks.

Pray for **Judy Chacko** who will undergo hip replacement surgery this Thursday. Pray that all will go well.

Pray for the missions and missionaries we help to support. This week, be praying for the work and ministry of **Mohan & Judy Chako**, **John Wagenveld**, and **Josh and Virgina Ham**.

Remain fervent in prayer for the **Pastoral Search Team**. Pray that they will remain persistent in seeking the Lord's will as they consider each possible opportunity.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Niekerk News Reminder. It's time again to gather information for the December newsletter. Remember to submit reports, thank you notes, volunteer lists and all other news by next **Sunday, November 23**. 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.

Niekerk Holiday Choir will sing for Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas. Rehearsals continue today after the morning worship service. All singing adults are welcome to join us in the choir room.

Advanced Notice. Put on your calendars January 24 for a Puzzle Tournament and February 21 for the Cornhole Tournament.

Church Mailboxes. The church mailboxes have been rearranged this week. Make sure you are taking papers from the correct mailbox.

Christmas Caroling! Sunday, December 7, after the evening service with a light supper to follow. Sign up at the Information Center so food for the evening can be prepared.

The Annual Mitten-Plus Drive. Items needed are mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, and slippers. We especially need large size mittens and gloves. ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW. They can be handmade, machine made or purchased. Because of the short notice, items can be delivered Wednesday and at Wednesday Night at Niekerk.

RightNow Media. You should have received an email with the link to sign up for your account. If you did not receive the link and would still like access to RightNow Media, please let Joe or Trish Texer know and we will get you the link. If you have any questions on how to sign up, we would be glad to help.

Save the Date: Our Children's Christmas Program (Little Lambs age to 5th graders) will be during the morning service on December 14.

Heights of Hope Christmas Store is getting ready for the season and needs to stock the shelves for the shoppers. The Amazon Wishlist is ready, click the link below or go to HeightsofHope.org and under the tab Programs click on the Christmas Store. Also, check your email for more links and options at



https://www.heightsofhope.org/programs/the-christmas-store.
The deadline is December 7.

World Renew invites you to make a difference this season through its Gift Catalog, where each meaningful gift helps families overcome poverty and experience God's love in practical ways. As you consider giving goats, seeds, or clean water, please also pray that these gifts would be a source of hope for families striving to rebuild their lives, and that God would bless the work of World Renew staff and partners who walk alongside them every day. Visit worldrenew.net/gifts to learn more.

Hand2Hand is collecting <u>Chicken Noodle or Chicken Rice canned soup</u> (no larger than 11oz) and <u>individual chocolate or vanilla pudding cups</u> (non-refrigerated pudding cups) for November and December. *Please purchase only the items and sizes listed. Large items are too difficult for the younger children to carry home.*

Help Provide a Meal for Circles this Fall! Each Tuesday night, Heights of Hope's Circles program gathers around a shared meal before diving into an evening of connection, support, and transformation. We serve about 45 people each week, and we're looking for individuals, families, or groups to sign up to provide a meal. Interested in helping out?

Learn more or sign up here: https://tinyurl.com/7dyxtyju.

Pine Rest Church Assistance Program. Hope and Support for the Holidays. Not feeling merry this holiday season? Shorter days, holiday pressures, financial strain, or family conflict can all contribute to feelings of depression. Don't let these challenges steal your holiday joy—your CAP is here to help. Visit pinerest.org/scheduling or call 1-800-442-0809 (press 1) and say you are a CAP member with Niekerk Church to schedule your free and confidential counseling.

Date for Your Calendar

December 1 Council Meeting

December 3 Wednesday Night at Niekerk

December 8 Congregational Meeting

December 14 Children's Christmas Program

December 17 GEMS & Cadets

January 24 Puzzle Tournament

February 21 Cornhole Tournament

Elder & Deacon Districts and Phone Numbers:

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NIEKERK-LISTEN: listen545

All services are streamed live

Go to www.niekerkcrc.org under "sermons" menu