



Niekerk Christian Reformed Church  
November 8, 2020

# NIEKERK CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

November 8, 2020  
Morning Worship Service 9:30am

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

**\*O Come to the Altar**

**\*Great Are You, Lord**

~Little Lambs is dismissed~

Prayer

**\*King of Kings**

Children's Message

Scripture: **Jonah**

Message: **At the Bottom**

Prayer of Application

**\*Yet Not I but through Christ in Me**

\*God's Blessing

**\*Amazing Grace—How Sweet the Sound**

Postlude

Offering: Bible League

Pastor Jason Pierce

Organist: Karen Lucas

Pianist: Kirsti 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](http://www.niekerkcrc.org) under sermons. The services will also 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—Samson is Strong; Leaders—Melinda Kryger, Abby Helder & Kristen Sybesma

### **Nursery Attendants:**

This week: Linda Timmer, Sara & Maria Heeres

Next week: Kate Van Dyke, Kaylin Van Dyke & Melinda Kryger

## EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE—6:00pm

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

**\*Overcome**

**\*Because He Lives (Amen)**

God's Will

**\*Have Thine Own Way, Lord**

Prayer

**\*I Surrender All**

Scripture: **Ecclesiastes 5:8-6:9**

Message: **Riches Are Meaningless**

Prayer of Application

**\*Blessed Be Your Name**

\*God's Blessing

**\*Benediction Song**

Postlude

Offering: Bible League

Pastor Darren Kornelis

Organist: Marge Boeve

Pianist: Kristi Driscoll

**Last week's envelope collections totaled \$5,015.** This amount includes electronic giving.

### **Offering Schedule for November:**

November 8	Bible League
November 15	Benevolent Fund
November 22	Heights of Hope
November 29	Atlas

## CHANGE TO WORSHIP COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

The Executive Committee has continued to monitor the COVID-19 situation in our community and has made every effort to strike a balance between mandated precautions and the freedom of personal responsibility. Daily positive tests and hospitalizations have risen significantly, and it is appropriate for us to return to a seating arrangement that requires social distancing throughout the sanctuary and mask-wearing both when moving through the building and while singing. All will be invited to attend worship. The Fellowship Center will be set up for overflow. We continue to pray for an end to this pandemic and for the patience and grace necessary while it continues.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

**Bob Eisen** was admitted to Butterworth Hospital on October 26, with difficulty breathing. The complications have been resolved and he hopes to return home this week.

**Erv Nagelkirk** had his gallbladder removed on Thursday. Pray that Erv is having a speedy recovery.

We give thanks to God that **Vic Sharda's** shoulder surgery went well. Now the healing process begins. Pray that Vic will manage the pain well and that he is healing quickly.

We give thanks to God that **Nancy Windemuller's** hip surgery went well on Monday. She was able to return home on Tuesday. We continue to pray for her healing.

## THIS WEEK AT NIEKERK

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	10:45 AM	Morning Fellowship
	10:45 AM	High School 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
	6:30 PM	Pickleball
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Hand2Hand Packing
	11:00 AM	Senior (65+) Singles
	7:00 PM	The Color of Compromise
Saturday	9:00 AM	Pickleball

## **CATECHISM FOR 4<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

Due to low attendance (17%), the 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade catechism classes will not have in-person instruction for the months of November and December. We will reevaluate the situation at the New Year. The materials for the classes will be distributed to each student. The parents should monitor their children to make sure the lessons are being done on a regular basis. It is very important that the students keep up on the lessons. The catechism curriculum follows a sequence which takes the students through the entire Heidelberg Catechism. We, as an Education Committee, feel that students studying catechism will better understand the Bible, will develop a stronger faith, will be encouraged to commit their lives to Christ, and make public profession of faith. Many prayers have gone into this decision.

We thank all of the parents for their understanding and past support. We appreciate your continued prayers for Niekerk and all the people and programs.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Women's Fall Bible Study** will meet this Tuesday morning, November 10, from 9:30am-10:45am in the basement All-Purpose Room. Please come ready to discuss Lesson 8 (pages 104-110) in the book *Jesus Calling: Experiencing God's Presence* by Sarah Young. Remember to bring along your mask and any drink/snack for yourself. This is our last session.

**The Color of Compromise.** We will be listening, learning, and discussing this Wednesday, November 11, at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Center. We would love to have you join us at any time. If you have any questions, feel free to talk to Jamie Hop, Jen Leep, or Mary Jo Staal.

### **The Niekerk Security Team is Seeking Volunteers.**

Responsibilities include checking the church property before and during services, locking doors and coordinating with first responders in the event of a medical emergency. Please contact Jon Boeve at (616) 836-2950 for more information.

**The Annual Mitten-Plus Drive.** Time is getting short for making or buying items for our annual drive. Items are due on Sunday, November 22!

Things look a bit different this year, but The **Heights of Hope Christmas Store is happening!** Our staff has found some creative ways to make volunteering possible and our neighbors have worked hard to earn credit to shop in the store! The Christmas Store will be held at the Heights of Hope Community Center on December 11th and 12th. We have an Amazon wish list again this this year and paper gift tags with suggested gift ideas will be coming soon. Let us make Christmas just a great as any other year for our neighbors! Check your email for more information and feel free to contact Mandy Bullers-Hutcheson at 616-589-6612 or [mandyb@heightsofhope.org](mailto:mandyb@heightsofhope.org). Here is a link to the Amazon wish list [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/16A7293SQ9GQW?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/16A7293SQ9GQW?ref=wl_share). Items are due December 6.

**Picture Directory—Pictures Still Needed!** 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](mailto:secretary@niekerkcrc.org).

**Hand2Hand.** Plastic bags are needed! We will be collecting canned vegetables (no larger than 15-16 oz) and peanut butter (16 oz) for the rest of October through December. Feel free to donate multiple items if you are able as we are putting more food in the bags this year.

**Nursery Volunteers for Thanksgiving and Christmas.** Please contact Renee Texer at [reneetexer@gmail.com](mailto:reneetexer@gmail.com) if you would be willing to volunteer in nursery on these days.

**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.

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

**Church Assistance Program.** Are you feeling guilty, helpless or overwhelmed by your drinking or substance use? Worried about losing a relationship, your job or home? Feel like your life would be better if you stopped? Don't fight this alone. For free and confidential help, call our CAP at 616-455-6210 or 1-800-442-0809. Make sure to identify yourself as a CAP client.

**Dates for Your Calendar:**

November 15	High School Catechism & Sunday School
November 16	Executive Meeting
November 18	Cadets, GEMS & Youth Group
November 22	High School Catechism & Sunday School
November 25	The Color of Compromise Study
November 26	Thanksgiving Day Service & Communion

**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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