



Niekerk Christian Reformed Church  
**Growing in Christ & Making Him Known**  
February 22, 2026

# NIEKERK CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

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Morning Worship Service 9:30am

Prelude

Welcome

\*Call to Worship

\*God's Greeting

\*Mutual Greeting

**\*Waymaker**

Lenten Reading

**\*Lord, I Need You**

Lenten Reading

**\*Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone**

Children's Message

~Little Lambs is dismissed~

Prayer

Offering: Jerusalem Center for Bible Translation

~PLEASE SIGN AND PASS THE FELLOWSHIP REGISTERS~

**\*Holy Spirit, Mighty God**

Scripture: Luke 7:36-50 – page 1604

**Message: Forgiveness at the Feet of Jesus**

Prayer

**\*We Fall Down**

\*Benediction

**\*It's Yours (Lord's Prayer)**

Postlude

Pastor John Nyitray

Pianist: Jen Leep

Keyboard: Melinda Kryger

\*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](http://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

***\*Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah***

***\*Behold Our God***

Confession of Faith

***\*Blessed Assurance***

Prayer

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***\*Good Soil***

Scripture: Isaiah 53:1-2 - page 1147

Message: **Why Do We Not Believe?**

Prayer

***\*How Deep the Father's Love for Us***

\*God's Blessing

***\*When I Survey***

Postlude

Pastor Duane Terpstra

Pianist: Jen Leep

Keyboard: Melinda Kryger

\*Stand as you are able

*Remember to pass the Fellowship Registers.*

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

**Catechism classes** for 4<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade meet in the youth building.

**Sunday School classes** for Preschool to 3<sup>rd</sup> 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: Only One Says Thank You; Leaders: Lori & Reagan Boeve & Emma Texer

**Last week's envelope collection totaled \$8,170.** This amount includes electronic giving.

**Offering Schedule:**

February 22	JCBT (Jerusalem Center for Bible Translation)
March 1	Matt & Emily Slack (Resonate)
March 8	Heights of Hope
March 15	Building Men for Life
March 22	Niekerk Christian Education Fund
March 29	Resonate

**Nursery Attendants:**

<u>This Week:</u>	AM: Carol Venema & Linda Timmer
	PM: Kaylin Van Dyke & Kim Walters
<u>Next Week:</u>	AM: Sara Heeres & Kathi Petroelje
	PM: Laura VanderZwaag & Sandy Van Dyke

**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
Wednesday	6:00 PM	Cadets & GEMS Pinewood Derby
Thursday	9:00 AM	Indoor Walking
	9:00 AM	Hand2Hand Packing
	9:30 PM	Men's Bible Study (Luke 4:1-13)
Friday	7:00 AM	Monthly Prayer Gathering

**COUNCIL NOTES**

**Nominations for Elder and Deacon.** *It's the last day to submit your ballots!* The following people have been nominated by the Council for the office of Elder and Deacon for a three-year term beginning April 13, 2026. One Elder and two Deacons will be selected. For Elder: Dean Koopman and Wayne Tjarks. For Deacon: Scott Edewaard, Tom Staal and Jerry Zeerip.

The following are those who will be retiring from office: Dan Petroelje, Kurt Rigterink, Steve Slenk, Jon Boeve, John Timmer, and Bryan Van Dyke. Thank you for all you do for Niekerk.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Cadets and GEMS Pinewood Derby this Wednesday!** from 6:15pm until 8:15pm join us for the Niekerk Pinewood Derby Run-off night in the Fellowship Center. Weigh-in will start at 6:00pm. All are invited to come watch and cheer on your favorite cars.

**Valet Parking.** The Deacons would like to offer valet parking for anyone interested during the winter months. This will be at the east side entrance of the building "Door B" only.

**Easter Flower Orders—In Memory of Loved Ones.** If you wish to order flowers in memory of a loved one and to decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, fill out a form and place it and the money in an envelope and put it in the designated box at the Information Center. This year pansies and tulips will be available to order; each plant will cost \$10 each. The deadline is Sunday, March 8. Blank forms can be found at the Information Center. If you ordered flowers previously, you will find a form in your church mailbox already filled out. Email Julie Mulder at [secretary@niekerkrc.org](mailto:secretary@niekerkrc.org) with any questions.

**Do You Have a Favorite Song?** The Worship Team is seeking people who would be willing to share their favorite song with its special meaning with the congregation during an evening service. If you would like to share, contact Carol Hochhalter or any member of the Worship Team.

**Hand2Hand** is collecting individual packages of microwave popcorn packs (UNPOPPED popcorn) and individual Rice Krispie bars for February and March. *Please purchase only the items and sizes listed. Large items are too difficult for the younger children to carry home.*

**Save the Date:** The 2026 mission trip will be on July 25-31. Please save the date and consider joining us in serving the community around ARO this summer. More details to come!

**Pine Rest Church Assistance Program.** Prioritizing sleep, nutrition, exercise, and self-care can strengthen your mental well-being and lower your risk of depression. While these healthy habits can lower your risk, symptoms may still arise. If you experience signs of depression lasting longer than two weeks, it's important to seek help from a professional. Visit [pinrest.org/scheduling](http://pinrest.org/scheduling) or call 1-800-442-0809 (press 1) and say you are a CAP member with Niekerk for free and confidential support.

## **Date for Your Calendar**

- February 25 Cadets & GEMS Pinewood Derby
- February 26 Hand2Hand Packing
- February 27 Monthly Prayer Gathering
- February 28 Youth Group Event

## **Elder & Deacon Districts and Phone Numbers:**

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

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