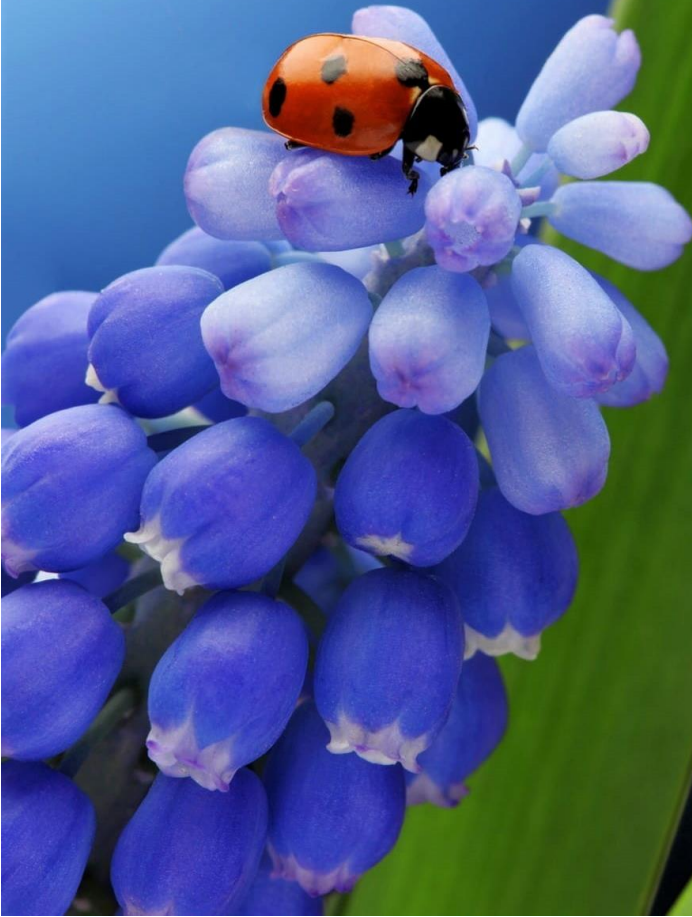


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PROVERBS 3:5-6 NIV



Niekerk Christian Reformed Church
March 29, 2020

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Morning Worship Service

Prelude Video
Call to Worship
Greeting
Prayer
Offering: Missionary
Children's Message
Scripture: **Mark 13:1-8, 24-37**
Sermon: **Keep Awake**
Prayer of Application
Video
Blessing
Drawing of New Elder and Deacons
Prayer
Postlude Video

Pastor Jason Pierce

Evening Worship – 6:00pm

Join Pastor Darren this evening at 6:00pm on the live stream for a time of singing and worship.

WORSHIP SERVICE NOTES

Live Stream. The morning service will be live at 9:30am on the website www.niekerkcrc.org under sermons. The service will also be uploaded immediately following the live stream to watch it later in the day.

Offering Schedule for April:

April 5 Niekerc Christian Education Fund
April 10 Benevolent Fund
April 12 Growing Hope Globally
April 19 The Gideons
April 26 Hand2Hand Ministries

Offering. Due to the Covid-19 situation, the Deacons have four different options to receive your offerings:

- Members can mail their offerings to church. Please put "Attention Deacons" on the envelope. Please do not send cash through US Mail.
- Members can use the bill pay feature available from most checking accounts without postage or fees.
- Members can sign up for the Realm online giving. There is a link to Realm's website on the Niekerk website. Under the "Resources" tab, click on "Give", and that will connect you to the Realm site.
- We also hope to install a mail slot soon in the steel outside kitchen access door by the east entrance, we will let you know when this is available.

Sunday Evenings. Our usual Sunday evening service will be resumed as soon as we can return to worship in the sanctuary together. Pastor Darren and Pastor Jason are looking at providing devotional material that you can review with your family on Sunday evenings or another time during the week.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Hazel Bosch fell at her nursing home and broke her hip. She had surgery on Thursday at Holland Hospital.

Lena Ruth Becksford fell Sunday in her home. She is now at Resthaven for rehab.

Bob Eisen continues with physical therapy and works on getting stronger. Prayer for continued good health and strength.

Happy Birthday to **Donna Grotenhuis!** She was 87 years old on Tuesday, March 24. Her favorite verse is, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?" John 14:1-3. Feel free to send a card to Donna at 360 W 40th Street #123, Holland, MI 49423.

We offer a prayer of thanksgiving to God for the results **Deb Haan** has received from her doctor. She will not be needing chemotherapy. We also pray for her patience as she is forced to wait for radiation until the COVID-19 outbreak subsides.

We give praise to God that **Rachel Helder** has been declared cancer FREE!

Happy Birthday to **Dorene Terpstra!** She was 88 years old last Thursday, March 26. Her favorite verse is, "Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me." Psalm 23:4. Feel free to send a card to Dorene at American House, 11911 James Street #16, Holland, MI 49424.

Steve Riemersma's father, Nelson Riemersma, had a stroke on Monday and is in the hospital being treated. Steve and Holly are not able to visit him as this time. Pray for complete healing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder/Deacon Selection will take place at the conclusion of the Sunday morning service. Candidates for Elder are Ron Dalman, Peter Elzinga, Brad Heeres, Phil Helder, Greg Leenstra and Wayne Tjarks. Candidates for Deacon are Scott Helder, Jim Hondred, Kevin Schut and Bryan Van Dyke. Normally, new Council terms start in May, however, and installation date is still uncertain.

Hand2Hand is packing food bags and handing them out at the Heights of Hope Community Center and Calvary Church on Wednesdays during school shutdown. Please pray for the children and their families during this difficult time.

Book Club. Sadly, we will not be able to meet this month, but we are going to continue with reading one book per month. April's book is, *Disunity in Christ: Uncovering the Hidden Forces that Keep Us Apart*, by Christina Cleveland. Pray we will be able to meet at the end of April to discuss this challenging book.

Mission Trip. Please email, call, or text Pastor Jason if you are considering attending the Mexico Mission Trip this November.

In Memory of/Given By Easter List of Names. The list of names in the Easter bulletin will still be printed. If you have not been able to sign up, contact Julie Mulder by phone 396-4388 or by email secretary@niekerkrc.org to have your names printed in the Easter bulletin. Deadline Monday, April 6.

Church Activities and Grounds. The church and all weekly activities will be closed through April 13 (including the mens Lenten Breakfast and the April 13 Council meeting). The church buildings are also closed. If access is needed, we ask that you call Julie Mulder at 616-396-4388 to arrange a time even if you have a key. Only employees of the church are currently allowed access when they cannot perform their work from home. Thanks to many of you for suggestions and encouraging comments you have made. We continue to look for ways to keep connected to each other to meet our needs as well as remaining connected and helpful with the community.

Bulletins. We will continue to publish a bulletin containing information and announcements. It will be on the website and it will be sent out electronically. If you would like to receive it by mail, contact Julie Mulder at 616-396-4388. If you would like to receive the bulletin electronically and have an email address, please contact Julie Mulder to add it to the list (temporarily if you prefer).

Easter Flowers. Due to the current situation the Decorating Committee has canceled the flower order for Easter; however, the committee will be purchasing a few lilies to go behind the pulpit. If you would like donate money towards the purchase of these lilies, contact Julie Mulder. For those who have paid for flowers, your money will be refunded to your church mailbox when church services resume.

Students, Families and People of all ages: Are you looking for some ideas for activities or challenges to participate in during COVID-19? Check out this list of fun activities and email or text Caleb when you complete one, or post on Instagram and tag: "@niekerkyg". See how many you can do by yourself, with siblings, a friend, or your family members!! Link here: <http://bit.ly/niekerkyg>.

Good Friday Service. We plan to provide a service via live stream on Good Friday at 6:30pm.

Church Cancellation Information. This is currently being posted on Channel 8 and Channel 3. Notice is also added to the prayer email and is recorded on the prayer phone line. We intend to post the cancellation each week as needed.

Church Staffing. Our Pastors, Darren and Jason, Administrative Assistant Julie, Worship Coordinator Kristi, Youth Director Caleb, Custodian Karen, and Building Supervisors Ric and Karen will continue to work on site when necessary but plan to work from home as well, so they will not have regular hours at church. If you need to enter the church buildings, please call Julie to arrange your visit and any assistance that may be necessary.

Visiting. As you would expect, direct visits for the next few weeks will not be done as normal. Pastors Darren and Jason as well as the Elders and Deacons will be reaching out by phone to the Niekerk family to address any spiritual or physical needs. If you see a 559 California area code, it will be Pastor Darren calling.

Church Assistance Program. Feeling guilty, helpless or overwhelmed by your drinking, substance use or addiction? Worried about losing a cherished relationship, your job or your home? Don't want to fight alone? For free and confidential help, call our CAP at 616-455-6210 or 1-800-442-0809.

Prayer Requests and Health Concerns and Updates. Contact your District Elder or Pastor Darren (559-909-2939) with any requests or updates.

Elder and Deacon Districts:

A-Bowman	Doug Wedeven	Scott Sybesma
Brandsen-Grotenhuis	Bob Steenwyk	John Timmer
Haan-Janssen	Paul Bulthuis	Joel Kryger
Jones-Leep	John Janssen	Mike Schierbeek
Louwerse-Plaggemars	Rog Sneller	Dean Koopman
Prince - Shoemaker	Steve Slenk	Scott Van Dyke
Slenk-Tjarks	Mark Hop	Shane Plaggemars
Tucker-Zeerip	Carl Helder	Joe Texer

Dates for Your Calendar: **All dates subject to change**

April 5	Palm Sunday
April 10	Good Friday Service
April 12	Easter
April 20	Council Meeting
April 29	GEMS
May 3	GEMS Sunday
May 4	Council Meeting
May 13	Senior (65+) Singles
May 17	Communion AM
May 18	Executive Committee Meeting
May 19	Red Cross Blood Drive
May 21	Ascension Day Service

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