

JOHN 6:35 (CEB)

I AM THE BREAD
of life.

WHOEVER COMES TO ME
will never go hungry.



Niekerk Christian Reformed Church
Growing in Christ & Making Him Known
May 31, 2026

NIEKERK CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

May 31, 2026

Morning Worship Service 9:30am

PREPARATORY GRADUATE SUNDAY

Prelude

Welcome

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

***Lord Most High**

***Sovereign**

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

***Thank You, Jesus, for the Blood Applied**

God's Will for Our Lives

In My Life, Lord

Children's Message

Prayer

Offering: Niekerk Christian Education Fund

***Break Now the Bread of Life**

Scripture: John 6:35, 53-56 - page 1658

Message: **Wonder Bread**

***All I Have Is Christ**

Preparatory

*God's Blessing

***You Are the Vine**

Postlude

Pastor Tom Pettinga

Pianist: Carol Hochhalter

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

***Come As You Are**

***In An Age of Twisted Values**

Confession of Faith

All My Boast Is in Jesus

Prayer

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~PLEASE SIGN AND PASS THE FELLOWSHIP REGISTERS~

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Scripture: Isaiah 53:1-6 – page 1147

Message: **Gone Astray?**

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

*God's Blessing

Glory, Glory, Hallelujah

Postlude

Pastor Duane Terpstra

Pianist: Carol Hochhalter

Organist: Karen Lucas

*Stand as you are able

Next Sunday, in morning worship, we will share in the Lord's Supper. Use these coming days to prepare for worship and the celebration of the sacrament. If you sense a need for help and counsel, then go to the pastor, an elder, or a trusted and understanding brother or sister in the faith. Receive spiritual counsel so that you may experience the assurance of God's pardon and be strengthened in your walk with God.

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

Last week's envelope collection totaled \$4,220. This amount includes electronic giving.

Offering Schedule:

- May 31 Niekerk Christian Education Fund
- June 7 Holland Deacons' Conference
- June 14 Doors of Hope
- June 21 Josh & Virginia Ham
- June 28 Heights of Hope

Nursery Attendants:

- This Week: AM: Lisa Kragt & Kathi Petroelje
PM: Char Janssen & Laura VanderZwaag
- Next Week: AM: Sandy Van Dyke & Abby Helder
PM: Jenn Schierbeek & Trisha Texer

THIS WEEK AT NIEKERK

- Today 9:30 AM Morning Worship Service
- 10:45 AM Coffee Fellowship
- 5:00 PM Evening Worship Service
- Monday 9:00 AM Indoor Walking
- Tuesday 9:30 AM Singing Through the Psalms
- Thursday 9:00 AM Indoor Walking

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to our High School Senior! Cora Rigterink! We will be celebrating with her today. Cora has graduated from Holland Christian and will be beginning studies in the fall at Hope College. Join us after the service in the Fellowship Center for cupcakes and refreshments.

Happy Birthday to **Al Van Haitsma!** He will be 90 years old on Monday! His favorite verse is, "Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus," Romans 8:1

Happy Birthday to **Jim Kos!** He will be 80 years old on Saturday! His favorite verse is, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7

Prayer is requested for **Noah Brinks**, grandson of Bob and Linda Nyhof, who will be having minor gastro surgery on Monday, June 1, to hopefully improve his independence. Thank you.

Give thanks for the completion of the school year. Pray for **students** over these summer months, asking the Lord to encourage them, protect them and continue to grow them as disciples of Jesus.

Pray for the **Council, Search Team and staff** in this time of seeking a new pastor. Pray that the Lord will give them strength and discernment each day.

Pray for those who stand in need of the Lord's healing and renewed strength. Pray for **Willemijn de Blois'** as she heals and adjusts to the cochlear implant which will be activated in four weeks. Pray for continued healing for **Judy Stoel**, who is recovering from an infection. Pray as well for **Gary & Joyce Morren, Jerry Brower, Cal Schierbeek, Jack Koeman and Bill Keen.**

Pray for **those who can't get out** the way they were once able. Remember, **Duane & Gay Tucker, Jim & Lorraine Snay, Marge Boeve, Judy Bosch, Shirley Bosch, Donna Grotenhuis, and Nick Ellerbroek.**

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Psalms for Children of God. Our Summer Psalms will begin at 10:00am on Wednesday, June 10. We will meet for 90 minutes each week, with activities, music, art and meditation on the scriptures. *Today is the last day to sign up* so that we can have resources ready for all the participants! All ages are welcome.

You're Invited! The Community Impact Team is going to be wishing the students, teachers and staff of Holland Heights School a happy summer. On Wednesday, June 3, at 11:00am we will be handing out ice cream to the kids and providing snacks for the staff and would love to have you join us. The address for the school is the corner of State and 24th St. The sign says Longfellow school on it. (Holland Heights school is being rebuilt). Thanks for your help!

White Caps Game. Sign up today for another night of fun and fellowship at a White Caps game on Tuesday, June 16. The game starts at 6:30pm and the tickets will be \$10. If you sign up, look for more information in your mailbox closer to the event date. This is a fun time for young and old! Thank you to the Council for contributing to the cost of the tickets.

Hockey Rock 2026 starts June 15! We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers for a variety of spots. See the sign-up sheet at the Information Center.

In your mailbox today, you will find a **Hockey Rock invitation**. You may use this invitation to encourage your family, friends or neighbors to come out on Monday nights to enjoy some recreation, food and crafts at Niekerk Church.

Attention Niekerk Cookie Bakers! Hockey Rock needs those GREAT cookies, so many of you provide. All cookies should be nut and peanut butter free. The popular *no-chocolate-nut-free* cookies are sugar cookies. Other suggestions are Rice Krispie cookies, shortbread, gingerbread and oatmeal with butterscotch chips. The sign-up sheet at the Information Center.

Attention ATV/Side by Side Adventurers: Pencil in Saturday, June 20, for a trail ride in Baldwin! Please sign up at the Information Center if you plan to attend, and more information will be in your mailbox the week before the event. If you have questions, contact Mark & Jan Hop, or Zeb & Kristi Driscoll.

Mission Support Team Update. Laura Helder has identified and partnered with Network 153 who will be her sending agency as she moves into being a full-time missionary. Now that Laura has a sending agency the Mission Support Team met and has approved bringing Laura Helder on formally as a supported Missionary of Niekerk. The Deacons will now also be able to consider loose offerings to support Laura in addition to the funds allocated in the budget. Members that would desire to support Laura further could designate the gift for Laura made out to Niekerk or alternatively could make the donation directly through Network 153 whose website is: <https://network153.net>

Help Provide a Meal for Circles! Each Tuesday night, Heights of Hope's Circles program gathers around a shared meal before diving into an evening of connection, support, and transformation. Interested in helping out? Learn more or sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/7dyxyju>.



Appalachian Reach Out Family Mission Trip. Sign up today at the Information Center for the family mission trip to ARO in Kentucky. The dates are July 25-31. Any questions? contact Joe Texer.

Pine Rest Church Assistance Program. Caring for elderly loved ones can be rewarding, yet also physically and emotionally challenging. Your well-being needs to be a priority. Our CAP provides free counseling to manage caregiver stress and free consultation with Elder Care experts to provide guidance about care, housing, insurance and more. It's easy, just call 1-800-442-0809 (press 1) remember to say you have a CAP with Niekerk.

Dates for Your Calendar

June 8	Council Meeting
June 15	Hockey Rock
June 22	Hockey Rock
June 26	Monthly Prayer Meeting
June 29	Hockey Rock
July 6	Hockey Rock Council Meeting
July 13	Hockey Rock
July 15	Red Cross Blood Drive
July 20	Hockey Rock Family Day
July 31	Monthly Prayer Meeting

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