



The peace of God,
which surpasses every
thought, will guard
your hearts and your
minds in Christ Jesus.
Philippians 4:7

Niekerk Christian Reformed Church
Growing in Christ & Making Him Known
September 6, 2026

NIEKERK CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

September 6, 2026

Morning Worship Service 9:30am

Prelude

Welcome

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

***House of the Lord**

***Shine, Jesus, Shine**

Confession

Words of Assurance

***Blessed Assurance**

Children's Message

Prayer

Offering: Bravo CRC

~PLEASE SIGN AND PASS THE FELLOWSHIP REGISTERS~

***We Will Remember**

Scripture: Philippians 2:18; 3:1; 4:4-9 – page 1824

Message: **Four Intentional Actions that Replace Worry**

Prayer

***Rejoice**

*God's Blessing

***Blest Be The Tie That Binds**

Postlude

Pastor Leighton Seys

Pianist: Jen Leep

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

***All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name**

***No Other Name**

Confession of Faith

***Here I Am, Lord**

Prayer

Offering: Bravo CRC

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***O Word of God Incarnate**

*Scripture: Romans 10:1-21 – page 1758

Message: **Beautiful Feet**

Prayer

***Our God Reigns**

*God's Blessing

***Song for the Nations**

Postlude

Pastor Jim Dykstra

Pianist: Jen Leep

Organist: Karen Lucas

*Stand as you are able

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

Last week's envelope collection totaled \$4,360. This amount includes electronic giving.

Offering Schedule:

September 6	Bravo CRC
September 13	Appalachia Reach Out
September 20	Josh and Anna
September 27	Gateway Missions

Nursery Attendants:

<u>This Week:</u>	AM: Kathi Petroelje & Sandy Van Dyke
	PM: Kaylin Van Dyke & Trisha Texer
<u>Next Week:</u>	AM: Lisa Kragt & Kayla Texer
	PM: Jenn Schierbeek & Jessica Schutter

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
Wednesday	1:00 PM	Red Cross Blood Drive
Thursday	9:00 AM	Indoor Walking
Friday	9:00 AM	H2H Packing

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

On this **Labor Day weekend**, give thanks for the responsibilities and jobs we have been given and for our health and daily strength. Pray for those who are traveling this weekend. Pray that the times with family and friends will bring blessing.

Pray for healing and daily strength for **Jerry Holmes, Jack Koeman, Cal Schierbeek, Stan Brandsen, Barb Shoemaker and Bill Keen.** Pray for **those you know** who are awaiting test results and possible procedures.

Pray for those who cannot get out the way they were once able. Remember **Jim & Lorraine Snay, Duane & Gay Tucker, Donna Grotenhuis, Bud Bos, Judy Bosch, Shirley Bosch, Nick Ellerbroek, Marge Boeve, Ida Janssen and Jerene Janssen.**

Pray for the **Pastoral Search Team.** Pray that they will be encouraged in their work and be blessed with wisdom as they take the next steps before them.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A new season of **Little Lambs** will begin next Sunday, September 13. All 3-year-olds (or soon to be 3) through Young Fives are welcome to attend.

Niekerk Cadets! We are in need of a few new counselors, so any men feeling this as their calling to help support the boys and the Cadet program here at Niekerk, please contact Jim Means at jjmeans@charter.net or by phone at 616-240-5944. Any boys in 3rd through 8th grade interested in being part of the Niekerk Cadet program, please contact Jim Means. Our season will start mid-September.

The Worship Committee is pleased to announce "Student Music Assistance" for any student (3rd grade and older) taking music lessons, who would then like to use that musical gift in worship. This is available for vocal or instrumental lessons. We are hoping for some drum, guitar, and organ students who can fill in some of the empty spaces in our current ensembles; but brass, string, and piano students are also invited to apply. Applications are available at the Information Center and should be completed by Sunday, October 4, and placed in Carol Hochhalter's mailbox. Six people will be selected from the applicants each year, with support of \$500 for that year.

Building a Community of Faith: The Stories We Tell. Singer, song writer and storyteller, Michael Kelly Blanchard, along with David Blaauw will lead us in this fun and interactive two-hour event Saturday, September 19, at 3:00–5:00pm in the Fellowship Center. It's planned for folk around 40 years of age and older. This time will help spark memories of our own as we listen to stories sung as well as spoken. Invite neighbors and friends to come along!

At the Gate is a group Bible study that meets to discuss and apply the passage from the morning sermon. It will begin on October 4 from 11:00am to 11:45am in the narthex at the entrance to the sanctuary.

The **Men's Bible Study** will begin again on Thursday, September 24, at 9:30 -10:30am. You are welcome to join in as we continue our study in the gospel of Luke.

Potluck! On Sunday, October 4, we will be celebrating Pastor Appreciation Month with a potluck for Pastor John & Maria!

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/7dyxytju>.



Pine Rest Church Assistance Program. *Hope & Healing with Same-Day Support.* Thoughts of self-harm or feeling like life isn't worth living can be incredibly heavy—but you are not alone, and healing is within reach. Talking with a counselor can help you feel heard, reduce the intensity of these thoughts, and build a plan for getting through them safely. Our CAP can provide a safe, confidential space to share when you need it most. Call 1-800-442-0809 (press 1), mention you're a CAP member with Niekerk CRC and request a same-day session. If you're in immediate danger and need urgent support, please call or text 988 to reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, available 24/7.

Dates for Your Calendar

- September 14 Council Meeting
- September 16 Wednesday Night at Niekerk
- September 19 The Stories We Tell
- September 25 Monthly Prayer Gathering
H2H Packing
- October 4 Pastor Appreciation Potluck
- December 6 Christmas Caroling

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