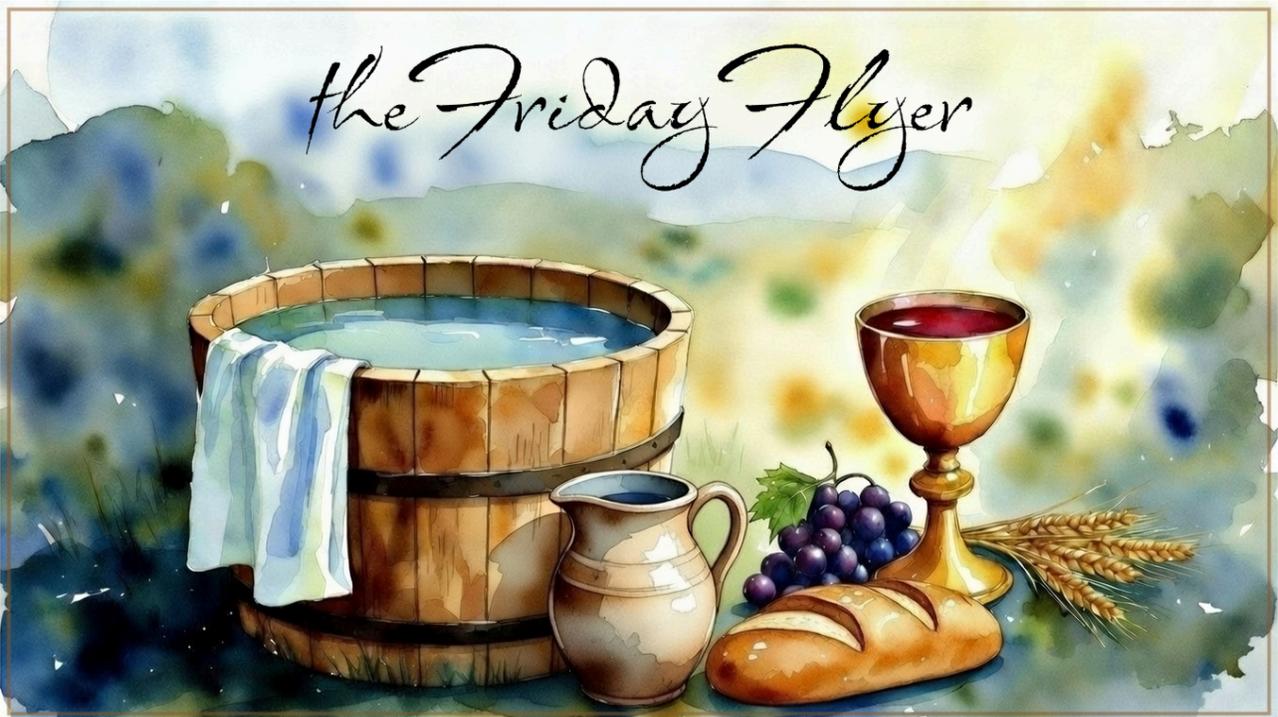


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**Sunday Morning Worship**

**February 22, 2026 @ 9:30 AM**

**Series:** Celebrating Sacraments

**Sermon:** Baptism and Circumcision

**Scripture:** Colossians 2:1-15

**Offering:** Faith Promise

### **Sunday Morning Servants**

Welcome Center: Jack & Gayle Zonneveld

Greeting: Jeff & Sheri Tos & family

Lions: Jennifer Lawrence, Leland Kootstra

Lambs: Michelle Lawrence, Anneke Clark

Nursery: Kelly Bekedam, Shelaine Goebel, Casey Goebel, Marit Bergman

Snacks: Justin & Hannah Bos, Gerry Wintz, Caroline & Charlene Van Heeringen

**Milestones**

# ANNIVERSARIES

2/21 - RICHARD & ENEKE VANDERSTEEN

2/28 - COREY & KRISTEN REENDERS

# BIRTHDAYS

2/21 - THEO DE HAAN

2/21 - HANNAH BOS

2/23 - JANICE HOFMANS

2/24 - BERT DUYST

2/25 - JONAS CLIFFT

2/26 - EJ DE JONG

2/27 - SUSIE MARTIN

2/27 - LUKE CLARK

2/28 - COLIN MACKEY

## Today Devotional

The February 2026 issue of Today is available in PDF format.

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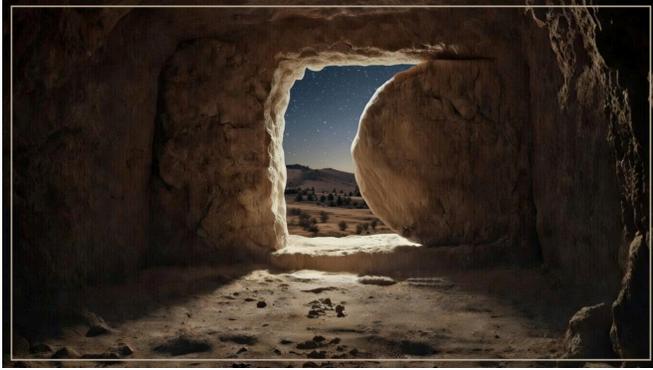
Or click the button for today's devotion (updated daily):

Click here for Today's Devotion

More Resources



## Easter Choir



If you are interested in singing in an Easter Choir, please [click here](#) and complete the short form by **Sunday, February 22nd**. Thank you. ~ Pastor Vince

## GEMS Soup Supper

**Join us this Wednesday, February 25th, for the GEMS SOUP SUPPER.**

We will be serving 4 great soups:

Chili, Chicken Tortilla, Tortellini and Clam Chowder.

There will be salad and bread as well as a Dessert Auction featuring a variety of fun treats made by our GEMS!

**Bring The Family 5PM to 7PM!**

W E D N E S D A Y  
**F E B R U A R Y 2 5**

5 TO 7 PM

YOU ARE CORDIALLY

**INVITED**

TO JOIN US FOR OUR



ANNUAL  
**GEMS SOUP SUPPER**

**CHILI**

**CLAM CHOWDER**

**CHICKEN TORTILLA**

**TORTELLINI SOUP**

**SALAD & BREAD**

**DESSERT AUCTION**

TREATS MADE WITH LOVE BY OUR GEMS



First Christian Reformed Church of Hanford  
2175 Leoni Drive  
Hanford, Ca  
559-582-4423

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO BENEFIT OUR LOCAL GEMS GIRLS CLUB

## Prayer Requests

Pray for healing, patience, endurance, and comfort  
as they face ongoing tests and treatments.  
Pray for their doctors to discern and administer the best treatments.

### Church Family

**Joanna Banta** - "Thank you for all of your prayers and outpouring of love and support over the loss of my dad. Pray that we can get all of the required paperwork in a timely fashion so we can get my mom moved back to CA. We would also appreciate prayer for the transition to go smoothly and we continue to work through the grieving process. Thank you! I miss our Hanford family and friends so much!"

**Julie Dragt** - Julie Dragt's father, Dale Mehrten, has gone home to the Lord. We are grateful for his constant faith and love for his Lord. Pray for comfort for the Dragt family as they mourn.

**Jimmy Holden** - Jimmy Holden is having hip surgery on February 23. Pray for a successful surgery and quick recovery and for Dena as she cares for him.

**Shelaine Goebel** - Shelaine is recovering from a broken leg. Pray that she would heal quickly and completely.

**Janet Henshaw** - We praise the Lord that Janet is out of the hospital and at a rehab facility. Pray she continues to recover.

**Ginger Hernandez** - Ginger continues to follow the doctor's prescribed diet in preparation for surgery.

**Nancy Hird** - Continue to pray that she heals from surgery and grows strong.

**Steven Koelewyn** - Steven continues to struggle with Valley Fever. Pray for God's guidance in this process and for healing.

**Anita Lemos** - Continue to pray for her recovery at home.

**Francisco Macias** - Pray that Francisco continues to heal from his injuries and is able to find employment.

**Ruth Stryd** - Pray for Ruth as she continues to recover from surgery. Pray for Jake also as he continues to care for her. Jake and Ruth would like to thank everyone for your prayers, thoughts, cards, food, and words of encouragement. They have been blessed by you.

**John Tos** - John is having hip replacement surgery on Monday, February 23 at Kaweah Delta Hospital in Visalia on an outpatient basis. Please pray for a successful surgery and a speedy recovery.

**Case & Hannah Zonneveld** - We give thanks to the Lord for the birth of Karel Case Zonneveld! Mom and son are doing great.

**Shut-Ins:** Martha Chandler, Rose DeRuiter, Janet Henshaw, Ginger Hernandez, Harriet Johnson, Sondra Koelewyn, Dave & Vera Krumpe, Marilyn Maccagno, Linda Reenders, Grace Schraa, Jeanette Stout.

**Extended Church Family**

**Rachel Bradley** - (Bob & Jennifer Koelewyn's neighbor) Pray continued recovery from surgery and for complete healing.

**Michael Cuellar** - (Esther Scheeringa's brother) Michael is getting more testing done. The cancer is in his voice box. Please pray for healing.

**Chuck Dyer** - (Michelle's husband, Esther Scheeringa's grandchildren's stepfather) His cancer is now in his lymph nodes, and he's back to getting chemo and radiation.

**Elijah & Elizabeth** - (grandchildren of Dick and Janice Hofmans) They have been accepted for care by a top specialist at Johns Hopkins Medical Center in regard to their genetic eye disease.

**Betty Johnson** - (Diana Schmidt's mom) Continue to pray for Betty as she is living with cancer. Remember her family also in your prayers.

**Kyle Rietema** - (Dennis and Cher Rietema's son) Kyle's parents are here for the foreseeable future to support Kyle and his family during a family crisis. Pray for patience, clarity, and God's provision as they navigate this difficult situation.

**Rachelle Riggs** - (Marilyn Maccagno's daughter) Her cancer has returned and is in her lymph nodes. She's currently undergoing chemo and radiation treatment. Pray that these treatments are effective and won't be too hard on her body, and for complete healing and for her to be cancer free

**Rick Stryd** - Living with cancer, pray for strength and healing

**Elizabeth Young** - (Esther Scheeringa's niece) Diagnosed with Stage 4 pancreatic cancer, she is on chemo. Pray also for the health of her husband **Michael Young** recovering from a stroke.

<h2>Life Groups</h2>
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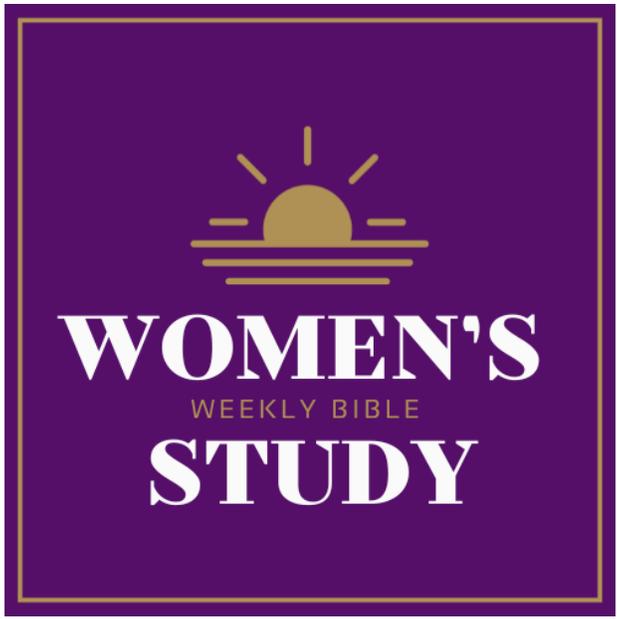


**Week 6 Life Group Study Guide**

**For More Information on Life Groups**

**Adult Ministries**

**Woman's Weekly Bible Study**  
Tuesday, February 24 @ 9:30 AM



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**Woman's Evening Coffee Break**

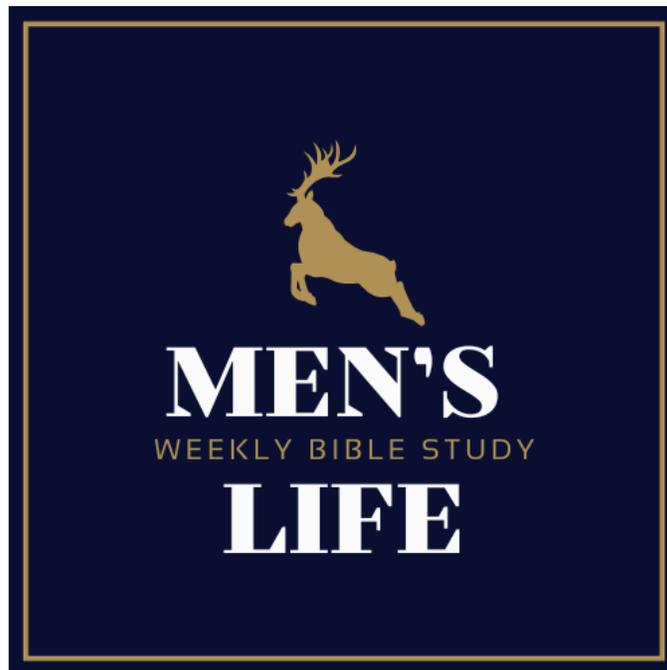
Tuesday, February 24 @ 6:30 PM



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**Men's Life Bible Study**

Wednesday February 25th @ 6:30 AM



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**Woman's Morning Coffee Break**

Wednesday, February 25 @ 9:30 AM



Youth Ministries

Cadets will not be meeting this week.



**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

**GEMS**

**SHELAINÉ  
GOEBEL**

**559-779-2136**

**CADETS**

**DAVID  
DANIELSON**

**559-381-6215**

**COMMON  
GROUND**

**KRISTEN  
REENDERS**

**559-707-7283**

Heidelberg Catechism for grades 3 through 8 immediately after the service.

## Lead Pastor Search Update

**We are happy to announce** that Eric Lynch and his wife, Clara will be visiting our congregation the weekend of **March 22, 2026**. While here they will meet with staff, church leaders, and many of you along with getting to know our town and Hanford Christian school and preaching in our Sunday morning worship service.

**Mark your calendars now.**

Eric has prepared a brief biography to introduce himself below.

Please continue to be in prayer throughout this process  
for both our church and the Lynch family

### **Greetings in the Lord Jesus Christ!**

My name is Eric Lynch and I am married to the wonderful and beautiful, Clara (8 years this summer) and we have 4 amazing children: Judah (6), Abby (4), Elijah (2), and Samuel (10 mo.).

I was born and raised in Lansing, MI and when I was 18, during my first semester of college I gave my life to Jesus Christ.

I don't come from a Christian home, but that didn't stop God from pursuing me even when I was very far from him.



Shortly after my conversion I experienced a profound call to be a pastor which has taken me on a 14 year journey of seeking God and doing the next thing he's asked of me.

This has led me to places I never thought I would go, which began when I went to Jacksonville, FL for a year to help "plant" a chapter for my college ministry as a student. After moving back and finishing my degree I joined the ministry as a fulltime staff at Michigan State University where I labored for the next 4 years. In 2020 I ended my work at MSU as the director of outreach and evangelism. At that time the ministry sent my family to Huntington, IN where I would be the director of our newest chapter with my wife as the woman's director at a small Christian college for the next 3 years. These were some of the most challenging yet formative times of my life. Over these years I experienced the Lord begin to shape the call to be a pastor more deeply within me as I started to recognize some of the gifts and desires he had been growing in me.

During my second year in Huntington we experienced the Lord leading me to begin seminary studies at Calving Seminary. I began in the online program, but knew I needed to be in person. In 2023 we packed up our family and moved to Grand Rapids, MI for me to continue my studies at Calvin where I

intend to finish this May. It is a profound privilege to be considered for this position at your church.

My wife and I are praying for the Lord's guidance for you as well as for us. We are deeply grateful for this opportunity to get to know all of you!

God bless,

The Lynch Family [Eric, Clara, Judah, Abby, Elijah, and Samuel]

## Library Update

**Greetings from your library!** We have another book new to the library and some you might not have read that could interest you, especially in light of what is happening in the Middle East.

**I Didn't Survive: Emerging Whole After Deception, Persecution, and Hidden Abuse** by Naghmeh Abedini Panahi with Eugene Bach: This book is Naghmeh's firsthand story, which takes you from war-torn Tehran to the quiet Midwestern U.S. to the halls of power in Washington D.C. It vividly describes the Islamic upbringing that shaped her, her unexpected conversion to Christianity, and the events that led to her marriage to Saeed Abedini, a magnetic pastor in the Iranian underground church. The book details Saeed's arrest and imprisonment for preaching the gospel, her fateful decision to share the truth about her husband, her betrayal and abandonment by former supporters, and the new life of advocacy for women that has arisen from the brokenness.

**Epicenter: Why the Current Rumbblings in the Middle East Will Change Your Future** by Joel C. Rosenberg: In his first groundbreaking nonfiction book, now with updated content, New York Times best-selling author Joel C. Rosenberg takes readers on an unforgettable journey through prophecy and current events into the future of Iraq after Saddam, Russia after Communism, Israel after Arafat, and Christianity after radical Islam. You won't want to miss Joel's exclusive interviews with Israeli, Palestinian, and Russian leaders, along with previously classified CIA and White House documents.

**The Last Jihad** (Fiction) by Joel C. Rosenberg: Jon Bennett and Erin McCoy are two of the shrewdest strategists on Wall Street and close friends of the president of the United States. Their secret project: a billion-dollar oil deal off the coast of Tel Aviv and Gaza that could form the basis of a historic peace treaty and bring enormous wealth

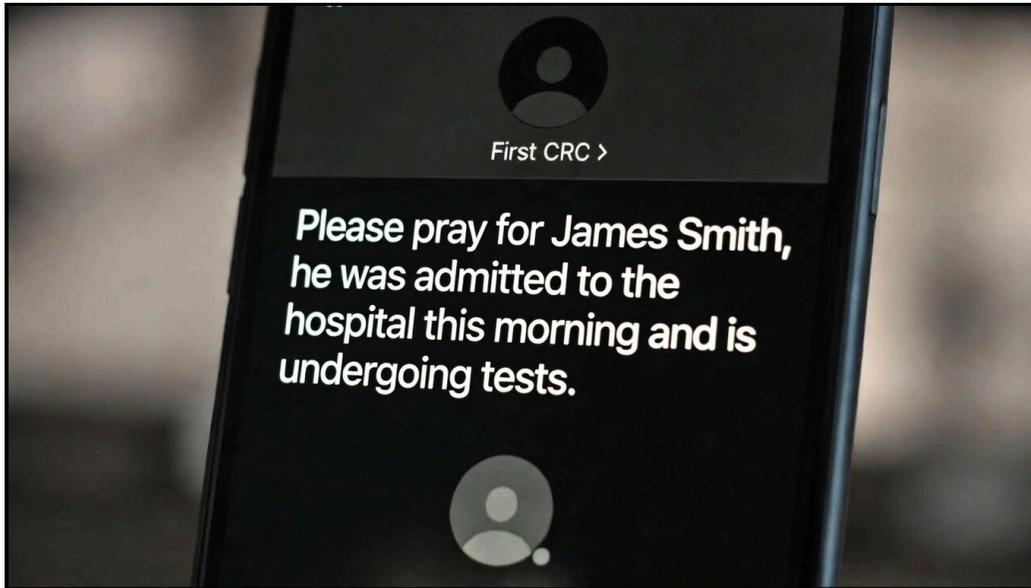
to every Israeli and Palestinian. But nothing has prepared Jon or Erin for the terror that lies ahead.

## Text Messaging

### **Would you like to receive our prayer requests via text?**

Chances are that you will see a prayer request quicker if sent by text than by email. Text will not replace email, but supplement it - allowing us to pray more immediately.

Click the image below if you would like to be added to this list.



## Save The Date

Hanford Christian School's Kindergarten to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

# GRANDPARENTS DAY



February 27<sup>th</sup> 2026

9:15AM DOORS // 10:15AM SHOW



Grandparents please scan QR code to RSVP



## Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Friday 8:30 - 2:00 PM

Have an announcement, update, or correction we should know about?

Please send it to [communications@hanfordcrc.org](mailto:communications@hanfordcrc.org)

The deadline for all church publications is Thursday at 1:00 PM

Please submit graphics (posters, invitations, etc.) in a 16 x 9 format.





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