PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep Mary Mulder's brother, Gord DeKrutyer in your prayers, as he has been hospitalized for influenza and pneumonia. Please pray for healing and that he will be able to return home to his wife, Joyce.

Rev. David Zylstra, Pastor John's uncle and a long-serving pastor in the Christian Reformed Church, went to be with the Lord this past week. His funeral will be held Monday morning in Wisconsin. Please pray for his wife, Claudia, and safe travels for Pastor John and his parents.

Please keep Terri Langerak's friend, Marcia Kloote in your prayers. Marcia just finished treatments for brain cancer.

Please uphold the Langerak family in your prayers on the loss of Henry's brother, Jim. Jim passed away unexpectedly this week.

Pray for Synod 2022: Synodical delegates, church leaders, and CRCNA members across the continent are praying for Synod 2022. Please join us! Prayer gatherings for synodical delegates are scheduled for April 27, May 11, and May 25. We will post prayer guides on **The Network** each time so that you can pray with us at a time that works for you as families, individuals, church councils, small groups, and others.

PRAISE! – Pastor John and Ashley are happy to announce that Ashley is expecting! Please pray for health, safety, and energy for the whole family for the coming months. Baby is due in October.

2022 Council Members of New Era CRC:

President - Mark Weesies **Vice President** – Dave Zoller **Clerk –** Wes Weesies **Treasurer** – Dexter Weesies
Chairman of the Deacons – Tom TenBrink
Growing in Relationship with God: Bob Eekhoff and Dave Zoller
Growing in Relationship with Each Other: Mark Weesies, Dexter Weesies, Jim Bush
Growing in Relationship with Community: Tom TenBrink and Todd Goodrich
Pastor Information – Pastor John Medendorp - Email – pastor.necrc@gmail.com, Cell – 231-284-824
Bulletin Announcements can be sent to Bekah Goodrich at necrc.secretary@gmail.com, Cell: 231-450-0410
Announcements are due by 4PM on Thursdays to ensure they are printed in the weekly bulletin.
Custodian/Church Use – Contact Jacque Weesies at 517-525-4787.
Prayer Requests – Contact Diane Adema at diane.adema@gmail.com.

New Era Christian Reformed Church

"Growing in Relationship with God, with Each Other, and with our Community"

Pastor John C. Medendorp

Sunday, April 3, 2022
Worship Service at 9:30 am
Evening Service at 6:00 pm

1820 Ray Avenue - New Era, MI 49446
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Fifth Sunday of Lent ~ Sunday, April 3, 2022

Prelude

God Calls Us Into Worship

Welcome and Call To Worship

*Opening Song – ***To God Be the Glory*** V. 1-3

*God's Greeting

*Songs of Praise **– *Lift High the Cross*** V. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7

We Are People on a Journey

Confession and Grace

Prayer of Confession

*Song of Assurance – ***My Jesus, I Love Thee*** V. 1, 2, 4

To Give Thanks

Offering

Congregational Prayer

To Listen to His Word

Children's Message (Children are dismissed for Children's Church)

*Song – ***Lord, We Hear Your Word with Gladness***

Scripture - Psalm 126

Message - A Harvest of Joy

Prayer

*Response Song – ***Precious Lord, Take My Hand***

To Go Out and Serve

***God's Blessing

* Sending Song - ***My Friends May You Grow in Grace***

Postlude

WORSHIP NOTES

Welcome to New Era CRC! We are so happy that you have joined us for worship today. Whether you are here to visit or searching for a new place to worship our Lord, we are excited to have you here. On this fifth Sunday of Lent, Pastor John will be preaching from Psalm 126. God's people have always shared the stories of God's deliverance, faithfulness, and mighty deeds. In times of trouble and suffering, these stories remind us we can trust God, and give us hope for the future. Please join us after the service for a time of fellowship with coffee and cookies.

If you are at home and would like to join us in worship via live stream click on this link https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsJnzI7vpo5Hr9u3dxOULcA after 9:20AM and you should be able to watch the service live. You should also be able to watch the service at a later time by clicking on the same link.

EVENING SERVICE

This evening, we will be turning from the depths of our misery to the beginning of God's deliverance! Dan Mulder will lead a teaching and discussion on the need for a mediator to deliver us from the debt we owe to God, from Lord's Day 5 of the Heidelberg Catechism. Join us at 6 pm for a time of song, prayer, fellowship, and learning together. Everyone is welcome.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

On Thursday, April 14 at 6 pm, a community Maundy Thursday service will be held at New Era Reformed Church, with Pastor John preaching. Communion will be served. Everyone is encouraged to attend and invite their neighbors.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

On Friday, April 15 at 6 pm, we will be holding a Taizè-style service of scripture, song, and silence to meditate on the suffering and death of our Lord. We will read through the story of Jesus' crucifixion, with some simple songs from the Taizè community.

Sunday ~ April 3, 2022

SCHEDULES

THIS WEEK:

TODAY:

Prayer Time in the council room at 8:59 am. Everyone welcome!
Nursery Providers – Anna Weesies, Jolene Balder
After Morning Worship – Coffee and Fellowship
Cookies – Winston & Diane Adema, Dave & Sharon Zoller

TONIGHT: Evening Service – 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY: Council Meeting – 7:00 pm

NEXT WEEK:

SUNDAY:

Prayer Time in the council room at 8:59 am. Everyone welcome!
Nursery Providers – Sarah Bofysil, Patti Weesies
Cookies – Henry & Terri Langerak, Ron & Jacque Weesies
Evening Service – 6:00 pm

MONDAY: Manna Monday – Meal begins at 6:00 pm
GEMS & CADETS – Begins at 6:30 pm
Women's Fellowship – 6:45 – 8:00 pm
Men's Bible Study – 6:45 – 8:00 pm

TUESDAY: Coffeebreak – 9:30 am -11:15 a.m. at NERC
All ladies welcome!

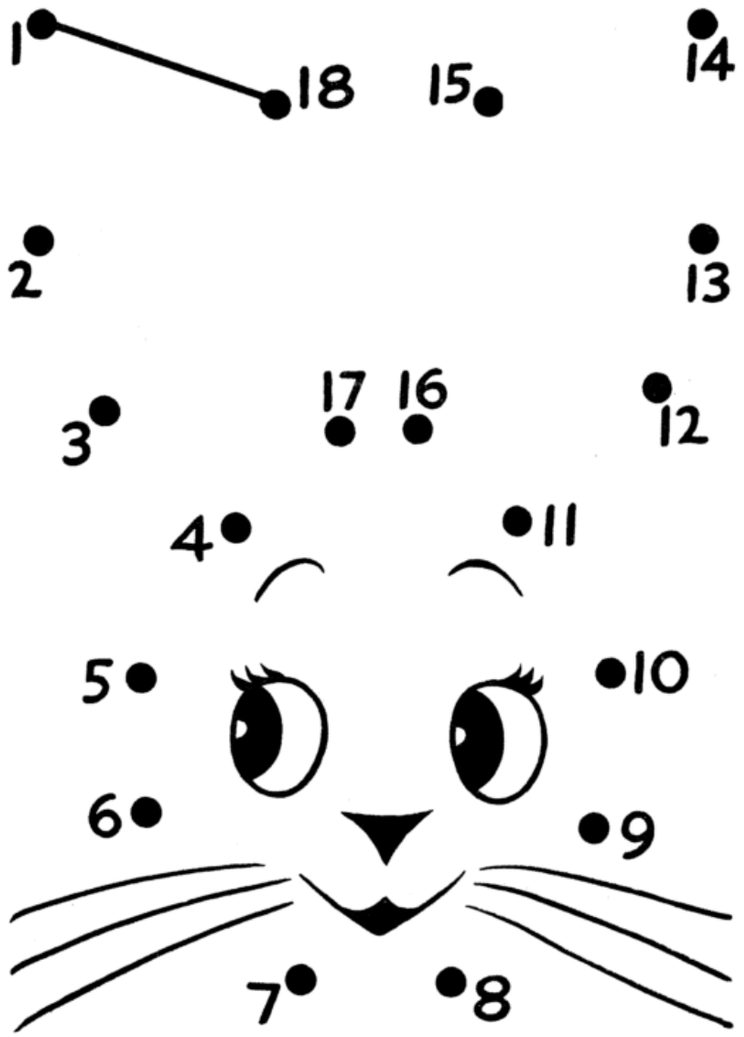
Offering Report - Sunday, March 27, 2022
Total Offering - $5,529

Farmer's Market - $100

TODAY'S OFFERING – Love INC

Next Week – General Fund

Kid's Corner



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Spring Break– There will be no Manna Monday events on Monday, April 4th. Women's Coffeebreak will not meet on Tuesday, April 5th due to Spring Break. Manna Monday events will resume on Monday, April 11th. Women's Coffeebreak will resume on Tuesday, April 12th.

NECS Custodian - New Era Christian School is seeking to fill the position of a school custodian who has a passion for keeping our school clean for our students and staff. The position begins immediately. For more information, please check out our website at this link, http://newerachristian.org/open-positions.html

New Era Christian School - Did you know there is a Christian School in the White Lake and Shelby area? New Era Christian School grows children in faith, academics, and personal maturity. If you have a preschool through 8th grade child, please check us out. You can learn more about us at newerachristian.org. You can also call Phil Morse at 861-5450. Preschool and Kindergarten Round-Up are on April 19 at 6:30 pm.

Wedding Shower Luncheon – There will be a wedding shower luncheon for Anna Weesies and Jared Feyer on Sunday, May 1, following the church service. The congregation is invited to attend, the entire meal will be provided. Please RSVP to Betty TenBrink by April 24 or sign up on the sheet located by the mailboxes to ensure there is enough food prepared. There is a box for donations towards a gift in front of the mailboxes. Anna and Jared are also registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond, Target, and Amazon. Please contact Betty TenBrink with any questions.

Unity Festival Information – The Unity Christian Music Festival will be held from August 10 -13 in Muskegon. Featured musical acts include Newsboys, Crowder, Matthew West and We Are Messengers. Tickets are available at a discounted rate for church families. Ticket sales will start on April 1. Please see Bekah Goodrich to sign up and purchase tickets. Money will be due by Sunday, May 22. Additional information is posted on the bulletin board.

Outreach Committee – Interested in being on the Outreach Committee? We are looking for current, past, or new volunteers, as well as a chairperson. A meeting date will be set in the coming weeks. Please contact Tom TenBrink or Todd Goodrich if you are interested in joining.