

Schedule of Events

Today

Nursery – Mary Vanderwerp, Margaret Bruinsma
Refreshments – Adam & Emily Lavelly, Debra Gaitan
Evening Service - 6:00 pm

Next Week

Sunday

Nursery – Hannah Hughes, Shelli Dykstra, Kate Eilers
Refreshments – Keri Hall, Patty Buursma, Hannah Stern, Jamie Westrate
Evening Service - 6:00 pm

Council Hospitality Duties

This Week

Elder in Charge – Dan Mulder Hospitality Elder – Greg Vriesman
Deacon in Charge – Jeremy Meyers Hospitality Deacon – Diane Adema

Next Week

Elder in Charge – Greg Vriesman Hospitality Elder – Ron Weesies
Deacon in Charge – Diane Adema Hospitality Deacon – Bob Bush

Contact Information

2024 Council Members of New Era CRC:

Chair of Council – Dave Zoller **Vice Chair** – Bob Bush **Clerk** – Scott Meyers **Treasurer** – Jeremy Meyers

Chairman of the Elders - Dave Zoller **Chairman of the Deacons** – Bob Bush

Growing in Relationship with God: Elder – Greg Vriesman, Deacon – Carole Giberson

Growing in Relationship with Each Other: Elder – Ron Weesies, Deacon – Chris Martin

Growing in Relationship with Community: Elder – Dan Mulder, Deacon – Diane Adema

Pastor Information – Pastor John Medendorp - Email – necrc.pastor@gmail.com, Cell – 231-284-8245

Bulletin Announcements can be sent to Bekah Goodrich at necrc.secretary@gmail.com, Cell - 231-450-0410

Announcements are due by 3 PM on Thursdays to ensure they are printed in the weekly bulletin.

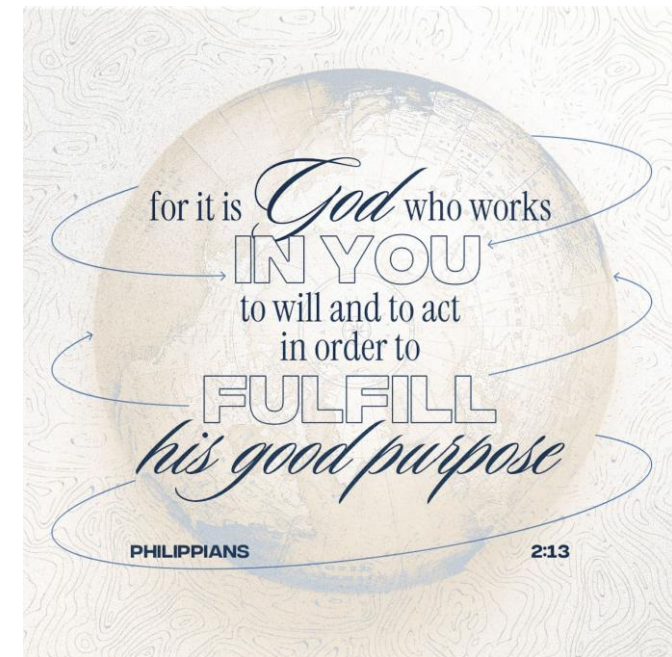
Custodian/Church Use – Contact Jacque Weesies at 517-525-4787.

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, June 23, 2024

Worship Service at 9:30 am and 6:00 pm

**1820 Ray Avenue - New Era, MI 49446
(231-861-5554) www.neweracrc.org**

Ordinary Sunday

Sunday, June 23, 2024

Order of Worship

Prelude	
Welcome	
Call to Worship	Psalm 9
God's Greeting	
Songs of Praise	<i>Let All Things Now Living Holy, Holy, Holy How Great is Our God</i>
Confession & Assurance	
Passing the Peace	<i>We Are One in Christ Jesus</i>
Children's Blessing	
Children's Song	<i>My God Is So Great</i>
Church Family Time	
Offering	General Fund
Congregational Prayer	
Memory Verse	Philippians 4:4-5 <i>Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near!</i>
Scripture Reading	Philippians 2:12-18
Sermon	Finding Harmony in Holiness
Closing Song	<i>O Jesus, I have Promised Alleluia</i>
Lord's Supper	
Blessing	
Doxology	<i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>

Announcements

- **Outdoor Worship** | Throughout the summer, we will worship outdoors, weather permitting. Please remember to bring chairs or blankets for your family. Those who are not able to navigate the hill are welcome to set up in the parsonage parking lot! If we will be indoors due to weather, we will send that out by church email. If you are not yet on the church email list, please contact Bekah Goodrich (necrc.secretary@gmail.com) with your email information.
- **Grand Rapids Open House and Service** | As the Christian Reformed Church prepares to move out of the denominational office building at the corner of Kalamazoo Ave. and 28th Street in Grand Rapids, we invite you to join us for a time of thanksgiving and worship. See how God has used this space for over 65 years, and join us in praising him for all that has taken place. All are welcome. Join us at 1700 28th Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49508, on Thursday, June 27, 2024, for an open house 5:00 pm through 7:00 pm, with a service of thanksgiving at 6:00 pm.

Council Corner | The Council of New Era CRC met on Wednesday, June 12. Here are the highlights of that meeting.

- Received reports from the pastor, elders, and deacons on their work.
- Received a report from the Latino Outreach Committee, which has divided into three subgroups to focus on congregational awareness, community relationships, and ministry commitment. Members of the team are working with Love INC to launch an ESL class for the fall, connecting with regional churches about ministry partnership, and reaching out to potential church planters.
- Received a report on the 140th Anniversary celebration to be held Saturday, September 7.
- Held mutual censure, a confidential time of sharing and encouragement for office bearers.

O Jesus, I Have Promised

1 O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end; be now and ever near me, my Master and my Friend. I shall not fear the battle if you are by my side, nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.

2 O let me feel you near me; the world is ever near: I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear. My foes are ever near me, around me and within; but, Jesus, draw still nearer and shield my soul from sin!

3 O let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will. O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; and speak to make me listen, O Guardian of my soul.

4 O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you that where you are in glory your servants shall be too. O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end, when you in glory take me, my Savior and my friend.

Alleluia

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Offering Report - Sunday, June 16, 2024

Total Offering - \$14,601.20
Farmer's Market - #1,772.20

Benevolence - \$330

This Week's Offering – General Fund

Next Week's Offering – Missions - Angel Community Church

Worship Notes

Morning Service

This morning, Pastor John continues our summer series with Philippians 2:12-18, "Finding Harmony in Holiness." We will also be celebrating the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. In the Christian Reformed Church, we invite all baptized believers to the table. All who are sorry for their sins, believe in Jesus as their Savior, and desire to live in obedience to him are encouraged to participate in the sacrament.

Evening Service

Tonight's evening service will continue our walk through the Belgic Confession. Pastor John will lead a teaching on Article 13, "The Doctrine of God's Providence." What does it mean that God is in control over all our circumstances, even when we suffer? How can we say that God is all good and all powerful when bad things happen to good people? Join us for a time of song, discussion, fellowship, and prayer.

Next Week

In the morning service, Pastor John will continue our summer series with Philippians 2:19-30, "Planning for the Future." In the evening, Pastor John will continue our series on the Belgic Confession with Article 14, "The Creating and Fall of Humanity."

Prayer Requests

- for those who cannot currently worship with us in person: Tom & Carol DeMeester, Gerald & Flossie Meyers, Paul Mulder, Betty (Jay) TenBrink, Agnes Wybenga, and others.
- for all who journey with cancer: Henry Hoekstra, Jim Prince, Sarah Samuelson, Erin Stevens, and others.
- for all who journey with mental health, depression, anxiety, and dementia.
- for all who live under the threat of war and violence in Ukraine, Burkina Faso, Sudan, Israel and Palestine, and so many other places. Come quickly, Lord Jesus!
- for our sponsored missionaries: Pablo & Sheryl Canché in Mexico City, Jeffrey & Evelyn Hough in Muskegon, Jeff & Kristi Schmidt with Wycliffe Bible Translators, Bob & Marcia Vermaire in Sierra Leone, and church planter S.M. in Uttar Pradesh, India.

Let All Things Now Living

1 Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God the Creator triumphantly raise, who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, who guides us and leads to the end of our days. His banners are o'er us, his light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night, till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished, as forward we travel from light into light.

2 His law he enforces; the stars in their courses and sun in its orbit obediently shine; the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains, the deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine. We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad adoration a song let us raise, till all things now living unite in thanksgiving: to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee; holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert and art and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea; holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

How Great Thou Art

1 O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed;

2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander, I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;

3 But when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin;

4 When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!

We Are One in Christ Jesus

We are one in Christ Jesus, all one body, all one spirit, all together. We are one in Christ Jesus, all one body, all one spirit, all together. We share one God, one mighty Lord, one abiding faith, one binding love, one single baptism, one Holy Comforter, the Holy Spirit, uniting all.

Spanish

Somos uno en Cristo, somos uno, somos uno, uno sólo. Somos uno en Cristo, somos uno, somos uno, uno sólo. Un solo Dios, un solo Señor, una sola fe, un solo amor, un solo bautismo, un solo Espíritu y ése es el Consolador.

My God is so Great

My God is so great, so strong and so mighty! There's nothing my God cannot do! (2x)

The mountains are his, the rivers are his, the stars are his handiwork too.

My God is so great, so strong and so mighty! There is nothing my God cannot do!