

## *Schedule of Events*

### **Today**

**Nursery** – Paula Meyers, Patti Weesies

**Refreshments** – Wes & Jan Weesies, Doug, Lori & Bonnie Westrate

**Evening Service** – 6:00 pm

### **Next Week**

#### **Monday**

**Girls Gathering for Christ** – 6:30 pm

#### **Tuesday**

**New Era Coffeebreak** - 9:45 -11:15 am at NERC

#### **Sunday**

**Nursery** – Amy Weesies, Lori Westrate

**Refreshments** – Henry & Margaret Bruinsma, Dennis Hughes, Hannah Stern

**Evening Service** – 6:00 pm

## *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](mailto:necrc.pastor@gmail.com), Cell – 231-284-8245

**Bulletin Announcements** can be sent to Bekah Goodrich at [necrc.secretary@gmail.com](mailto: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.

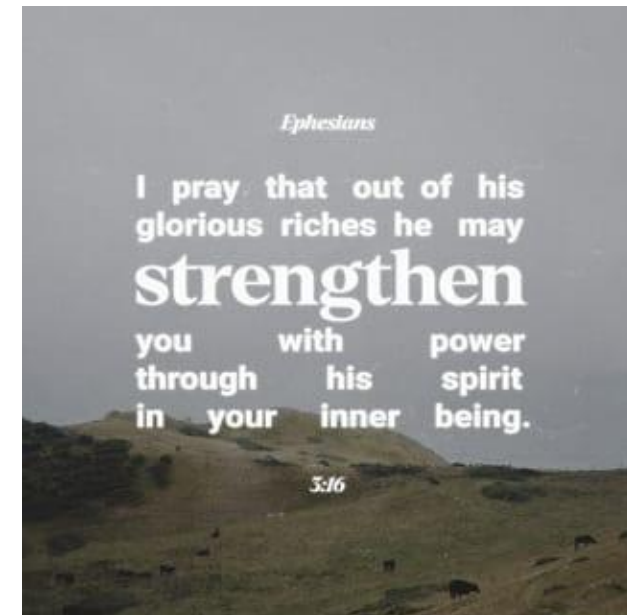
**Custodian/Church Use** – Contact Jacque Weesies at 517-525-4787.

**Prayer Requests** – Contact Diane Adema at [diane.adema@gmail.com](mailto: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, March 10, 2024**

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

**1820 Ray Avenue - New Era, MI 49446**  
**(231-861-5554) [www.neweracrc.org](http://www.neweracrc.org)**

*Fourth Sunday of Lent*  
*Sunday, March 10, 2024*

**Order of Worship**

Prelude	
Welcome	
Call To Worship	Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
God's Greeting	
Opening Songs	<b><i>Love Divine, All Loves Excelling</i></b> <b><i>God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength</i></b>
Call to Confession	Ephesians 2:1-5
Silent Prayer of Confession	
Song of Confession	<b><i>Lead Me, Guide Me</i></b>
Assurance of Pardon	Ephesians 3:14-22
Guide for Grateful Living	Hebrews 12:1-3
Passing the Peace	<b><i>Oh Look and Wonder/Miren que bueno</i></b>
Children's Blessing	(Children invited to Children's Church)
Church Family Time	
Offering	Benevolence
Congregational Prayer	
Song of Preparation	<b><i>Man of Sorrows</i></b>
Scripture Reading	Mark 14:66-72
Sermon	Suffering Denial
Closing Song	<b><i>O Jesus I Have Promised</i></b>
Blessing	
Doxology	<b><i>God, the Father of Your People</i></b>

*Worship Notes*

**Morning Service**

This morning, we will continue our Lent series, "For the Joy Set Before Him," exploring Jesus' suffering through the last chapters of the Gospel of Mark. Pastor John will preach on "Suffering Denial" from Mark 14:66-72.

**Evening Service**

This evening, we will continue our series on the Belgic Confession, a confessions of faith in the Reformed tradition. We will look at Article 6, "The Apocryphal". Join us for a time of song, discussion, fellowship, and prayer as we explore the doctrines of our faith.

**Next Week**

Next Sunday, Pastor John will preach on "Suffering Worldly Power" from Mark 15:1-20. In the evening, we will welcome Dan Shugars from Celebrate Recovery, who will speak to us about addiction, bondage, and recovery, and the ministry he has been a part of at Rothbury Community Church.

*Important Dates*

March 18 – Manna Monday, Cadets, Gems, Men's and Women's Bible Studies  
March 19 – New Era Coffeebreak - NERC  
March 25 – Girls Gathering for Christ  
March 26 – New Era Coffeebreak – NERC

*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

## *Announcements*

- **Pastor's Class** will meet for lunch today after the service to explore "Christianity and the Reformed Tradition."
- **Choir Rehearsals** will be held following the morning worship service, starting this today.
- **Council** will meet this Wednesday, March 13. Please direct any communication for council to the clerk, Scott Meyers.
- The New Era Farmer's Market in collaboration with MSU Extension and Love, INC will be offering a 6-week series of cooking classes called, "**Healthy Choices for Every Body**". Classes will take place at the church from 6-8 pm on Thursdays. Dates are March 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and April 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in participating, please contact Kim Warmuskerken, with Love, INC at 231-861-4880. There will be a low cost recipe, with take home bags of ingredients to prepare the featured recipes at home. Come and learn some new recipes and techniques!
- Now that the weather is breaking, the Farmer's Market will start the **bottle and can fundraiser** for 2024. Please bring your returnable bottles and cans in or let Sandy Whitaker know, and she will arrange pick up. The bottle and can fundraiser raised \$215.50 in funding for the market last year. Let's see if we can beat that amount this year!
- **Recovery Ministry** – We are exploring starting a Celebrate Recovery group here at New Era CRC. Please pray about this possibility, specifically for at least one additional male and female leader to step forward. If you or someone you know is interested in recovery ministry, please connect with Todd Jensen ([tryfly@mac.com](mailto:tryfly@mac.com)), and consider coming to the Sunday evening service on March 17.
- A special **thanks** for all the prayers, cards, well wishes, and meals for me as I recover from my knee replacement. I am truly blessed by all of you. ~ Dave Zoller

## *Prayer Requests*

- For Jim Prince, who continues to wait for answers regarding a mass on his kidney.
- For John Ryan Medendorp, who is adjusting to a gluten-free diet after a diagnosis of celiac disease.
- 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, 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 congregation and leadership, as we seek to begin a Latino Outreach ministry. Pray that God will continue to bless our church and help us grow deeper in relationship.
- 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.

## *Offering Report – Sunday, March 3, 2024*

Total Offering - \$6,189.50  
Farmer's Market - \$225

World Renew - \$252.50  
Benevolence - \$350

Today's Offering – Benevolence  
Next Week's Offering – GEMS (Local)