

## *Schedule of Events*

### **Today**

**Nursery** – Karmen Fox, Ashley Medendorp

**Refreshments** – Dick & Judy Walhout, Patty Buursma, Keri Hall

**Evening Service** – 6:00 pm

### **Next Week**

**Manna Monday** - Meal begins at 6:00 pm

**Cadets, GEMS, Men's & Women's Bible Study** – 6:30 – 8:00 pm

### **Tuesday**

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

### **Sunday**

**Nursery** – Paula Meyers, Patti Weesies

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

**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

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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"*



**Mark 14:55 KJV**

***And the chief priests and all the council  
sought for witness against Jesus to put  
him to death; and found none.***

*Pastor John C. Medendorp*

**Sunday, March 3, 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)**

*Third Sunday of Lent*  
*Sunday, March 3, 2024*

**Order of Worship**

Prelude	
Welcome	
Call To Worship	Psalm 19
God’s Greeting	
Opening Songs	<b><i>Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Great is Thy Faithfulness</i></b>
Call to Confession	
Silent Prayer of Confession	
Song of Confession	<b><i>I Stand Amazed</i></b>
Assurance of Pardon	
Guide for Grateful Living	Hebrews 12:1-3
Passing the Peace	<b><i>Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love</i></b>
Children’s Blessing	
Church Family Time	World Renew: DRS Video
Offering	World Renew
Special Music	
Congregational Prayer	
Song of Preparation	<b><i>Meekness and Majesty</i></b>
Scripture Reading	Mark 14:53-65
Sermon	Suffering Trials
Closing Song	<b><i>O Sacred Head, Now Wounded</i></b>
Blessing	
Doxology	<b><i>God, the Father of Your People</i></b>

*Worship Notes*

**Morning Service**

Today we 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 Trial” from Mark 14:53-65.

**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 5, “The Authority of Scripture”. Join us for a time of song, discussion, fellowship, and prayer as we explore the doctrines of our faith.

**Next Week**

Next Sunday morning, Pastor John will preach on “Suffering Denial” from Mark 14:66-72. In the evening, we continue our series on the Belgic Confession, exploring Article 6, “The Apocryphal Books”.

*Council Hospitality Duties*

**This Week**

Elder in Charge – Scott Meyers	Hospitality Elder – Dave Zoller
Deacon in Charge – Chris Martin	Hospitality Deacon – Jeremy Meyers

**Next Week**

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

*Announcements*

- **Council Executive** will meet Wednesday, March 6, to set the agenda for the next council meeting. Full council will meet on March 13. Please direct any communication for council to the clerk, Scott Meyers.
- **Food and Faith Series** – Sandy Whitaker and Pastor John will be presenting on “Food, Faith, & Community” on March 7 at 7:30 pm. Register for World Renew’s Food & Faith Webinar series at [www.worldrenew.net/events](http://www.worldrenew.net/events)
- 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!

*Important Dates*

- March 4 – Manna Monday, Cadets, Gems, Men’s and Women’s Bible Studies
- March 5 – New Era Coffeebreak – NERC
- March 6 – Executive Council Meeting
- March 7 – Food & Faith Series, Healthy Choices for Every Body Series
- March 11– Girls Gathering for Christ
- March 12 – New Era Coffeebreak – NERC
- March 13 – Council Meeting

*Prayer Requests*

- For Jim Prince, who is meeting with an oncologist on March 4, regarding a mass on his kidney.
- For John Ryan Medendorp, who will be in Grand Rapids, March 4, to test for 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, February 25, 2024*

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| Total Offering – \$10,944.91       | Farmer’s Market - \$120 |
| Benevolence - \$10                 |                         |
| Today’s Offering – World Renew     |                         |
| Next Week’s Offering – Benevolence |                         |