

Pentecost

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Order of Worship

Prelude	
Welcome	
Call to Worship	Psalm 104
Opening Song	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty</i>
God's Greeting	
Songs of Praise	<i>Holy Spirit, Truth Devine Come, Holy Ghost</i>
Pentecost Liturgy	Ezekiel 37:1-14; Romans 8:22-27
Passing the Peace	<i>We Are One in the Spirit</i>
Confession of Faith	The Apostle's Creed
Church Family	
Offering	World Renew
Liturgical Dance	<i>There Was Jesus</i>
Children's Blessing	(Children invited to Children's Church)
Congregational Prayer	
Song of Preparation	<i>Spirit of God, Who Dwells within My Heart</i>
Prayer for Illumination	
Scripture Reading	Acts 2:1-21
Sermon	What Does This Mean?
Closing Song	<i>There's No God as Great</i>
Blessing	
Doxology	<i>My Friends May You Grow in Grace</i>

Announcements

- **Latino Church Plant** – The Latino Outreach Steering Committee is beginning the process of searching for a church planter to spearhead our Latino church plant. If you have any recommendations for church planters, please send their name and contact information to Dave Zoller (dzoller@hotmail.com).

- **Latino Church Plant** – Did you know that prior to WWII, most migrant labor coming to Oceana County were of European descent, typically coming from poorer sections of large Midwestern cities and from 'dust bowl' areas of the Midwest. Latino migrants in Oceana County became more common in the 1950's and 60's. One Latino migrant family's story can be found here: qvsu.edu/qvmagazinearchive/life-stories-419.htm

- The New Era Christian School Board is looking for volunteers for **board positions** starting in September 2024. Board positions are a 3-year term and will be voted on at the June Society Meeting. If interested, please submit your name, your affiliation with the school, your church, and why you would like to serve to office@newerachristian.org. All applications must be submitted prior to May 20th so that they can be shared at the May meeting. Thank you for your consideration!

- **Celebrating our Graduates** | We will be celebrating our graduates and offering prayers and gifts next Sunday, May 26. If you or someone you know is graduating this year, from K, 8th, 12th, or receiving a higher degree, please let Pastor John know so we can recognize everyone in the service!

- Dave and Sharon Zoller are very excited to announce the blessing of a new grandson on May 9. Jackson Vern Hazard was born at St Mary's Hospital on Thursday afternoon. He is 8 pounds, 5 ounces and 20 inches long. Brad and Kristin are filled with joy!

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 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, May 12, 2024

Total Offering - \$7,766
Latino Church Plant - \$1,000

Farmer's Market - \$1,110

This Week's Offering – World Renew
Next Week's Offering – Missions

Worship Notes

Morning Service

Happy Pentecost! Today we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the disciples of Jesus after his ascension into heaven. Today we welcome Rev. Pablo Canché, one of our sponsored missionaries through Resonate Global Mission, working in Mexico City together with Sheryl, his wife. Pastor Pablo will be preaching on “What Does This Mean?” from Acts 2:1-21. After the service, we will enjoy a potluck lunch together as a church family.

Evening Service

Tonight we continue our series on the Belgic Confession with Article 10 on the Deity of Christ. Pastor John will lead the teaching. Join us for this time of song, fellowship, discussion, and prayer as we journey deeper in our faith.

Next Week

For Trinity Sunday, Pastor John will preach on the doctrine of the Trinity from John 3:1-17, “Born from Above.” There will be no evening service due to the Memorial Day weekend.

Council Hospitality Duties

This Week

Elder in Charge – Dan Mulder
Deacon in Charge – Jeremy Meyers

Hospitality Elder – Greg Vriesman
Hospitality Deacon – Diane Adema

Next Week

Elder in Charge – Greg Vriesman
Deacon in Charge – Diane Adema

Hospitality Elder – Ron Weesies
Hospitality Deacon – Bob Bush

Council Corner

The Council of New Era CRC met on Wednesday, May 8. Here are highlights of that meeting:

- Heard reports on the April 25 meeting of Classis Muskegon. At that meeting, Classis approved the closure of Trinity CRC in Fremont and the release of Rev. Richard Britton from his call to that congregation. Classis also declined to grant a license to exhort to Adam Sculnick of Second CRC in Fremont.
- Please remember these churches and pastors in prayer.
- Received and approved a request to transfer the membership of Elizabeth (Jay) TenBrink from New Era CRC to Allen Ave CRC in Muskegon.
- Approved the reception of Louise Blomgren, Carl & Teresa Gillespie, Todd & Jennifer Jensen, Annie Jensen, Nate & Jade McMackin, and Mike & Nicole Regeczi as professing members through profession of faith of New Era CRC in an upcoming service.
- Approved the profession of faith of Benjamin Hughes and Jamie Westrate for an upcoming service.
- Approved the covenant baptism of Mekhi, Jace, Charlotte, and Flynn McMackin, and Charlie Regeczi for an upcoming service.

Schedule of Events

Today

Nursery – Hannah Hughes, Kate Eilers, Ashley Medendorp
Church Potluck – Following the morning service
Evening Service – 6:00 pm

Next Week

Sunday

Nursery – Shelli Dykstra, Dy Clark, Danielle Bush
Refreshments – Greg & Sue Vriesman, Jeremy Meyers
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, 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.