

Schedule of Events

Today

Nursery – Mary Weesies, Amy Weesies

Refreshments – Jim & Mary VanderWerp, Jim & Ruth Prince

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

Wednesday

Council Meeting

Sunday

Nursery – Kate Eilers, Ashley Medendorp

Refreshments – Carole Giberson, Ron & Jacque Weesies

Evening Service – 6:00 pm

Contact Information

2023 Council Members of New Era CRC:

President - Mark Weesies **Vice President** – Dave Zoller **Clerk** – Scott Meyers **Treasurer** – Jeremy Meyers

Chairman of the Deacons – Bob Bush

Growing in Relationship with God: Elder – Dave Zoller, Deacon – Bob Bush

Growing in Relationship with Each Other: Elder – Bob Eekhoff, Deacon – Chris Martin

Growing in Relationship with Community: Elder – Mark Weesies, 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"*

A friend
loves
at all times,
and a brother is born
for a time of
adversity

PROVERBS 17:17

Pastor John C. Medendorp

Sunday, October 8, 2023

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

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

Ordinary Time
Sunday, October 8, 2023

Order of Worship

Welcome	
Call To Worship	Psalms 119:97-104
*Opening Song	All Creatures of Our God and King
*God's Greeting	
*Songs of Praise	I Am Not My Own King of Kings
Confession & Assurance	From Isaiah 6
Passing the Peace	Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love
Children's Blessing	(Children invited to Children's Church)
Children's Song	Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelujah!
Church Family Time	
Offering	Love, INC
Congregational Prayer	
Song of Preparation	Speak O Lord
Memory Verse	Proverbs 3:5-6
Scripture Reading	Proverbs 17:7-28
Sermon	The Folly of Fools
*Closing Song	God Be Merciful to Me
*Blessing	
*Doxology	My Friends May You Grow In Grace

Announcements

- **Council** will meet on Wednesday, October 11. Please direct any communication for council to clerk, Scott Meyers.

- Mark your calendars for the **New Era Christian School Fall Festival** Saturday, October 14 from 4pm to 7pm. There will be carnival games, a bounce house, and activities for all ages! Dog n Suds food will be available from 5pm-7pm. All proceeds support New Era Christian School. We hope to see you there!

- **Love In the Name of Christ** Oceana County Fall Dinner, Monday, October 16! Please join us for our annual dinner to celebrate what God is doing in Oceana County, as we share our vision for 2024. See the colorful invitation on the bulletin board for details! Note that it will be held at New Era Reformed Church, and reserve your spot today! Questions? Call Mary Mulder, 616-414-1225.

- **Young Life Oceana County** will be hosting a fundraising dinner on October 22 from 4-5:30 pm at the Ladder Community Center in Shelby. This will take the place of our regular evening service for that Sunday. RSVP oceanayounglife@gmail.com.

- **NECS Apple Pie Day** - PACE is looking for volunteers to help make apple pies on Saturday, November 4. They will also be available for purchase. Please contact Paula Meyers at 231-742-0389 if you would like to volunteer and/or purchase apple pies.

- Thank you to the many people who participated in **safe church training**. If you plan to volunteer in any of our church ministries, and have not taken safe church training, please contact Ashley Medendorp or Sharon Zoller to make alternative arrangements.

Important Dates

October 9 – Manna Monday, GEMS, Cadets, Men's and Women's Bible Studies
October 10 – New Era Coffeebreak – NERC
October 11 – Council Meeting
October 14 – NECS Fall Festival
October 16 – Girls Gathering for Christ, Love INC Fall Dinner
October 17 – New Era Coffeebreak - NERC

Worship Notes

Morning Service

Throughout this year we are exploring the Old Testament book of Proverbs. The Proverbs are “wise sayings” from ancient Israel. The wise living they describe begins with the “fear of the Lord” and promises to lead to fulfillment and contentment. Pastor John will preach on “The Folly of Fools” from Proverbs 17:7-28.

Evening Service

Join us at 6 pm for the last Lord’s Day of the Heidelberg Catechism! Pastor John will be teaching on Lord’s Day 52, the conclusion of the Lord’s Prayer. Join us for a time of song, fellowship, learning, and prayer.

Next Week

In the morning, Pastor John will preach on “Listening and Speaking” from Proverbs 18:1-21. In the evening, we will be reflecting on what we’ve learned and how we’ve grown from our journey through the Heidelberg Catechism over the last year and a half.

Offering Report – Sunday, October 1, 2023

Total Offering - \$4,250
Angel Community Church - \$100

Benevolence - \$30

Today’s Offering – Love, INC
Next Week’s Offering – Benevolence

Prayer Requests

- For Flossie Meyers, who fell and fractured her pelvis this week. She is recovering at home. For Gerald Meyers, who is currently in the hospital with chest pain.
- For Pablo Canchè, who is recovering from parathyroid surgery. Praise the Lord for a negative biopsy result! Pablo and Sheryl plan to return to Mexico in November.
- For our new sponsored church planter through Mission India. Please keep S.M. in your prayers as he completes his training and begins his ministry. More information is available at the church mailboxes.
- For the \$30,000 grant received from Trinity Health, which will fund the Farmer’s Market Power of Produce, program for the next three years!
- For the vendors, volunteers, and sponsors of the Farmer’s Market, who were celebrated at an appreciation dinner at the church this past Tuesday.
- For the nation of Canada and the churches and members of the Christian Reformed Church in Canada, as they celebrate Thanksgiving tomorrow.
- For those who cannot currently worship with us in person: Gerald & Flossie Meyers, Paul Mulder, Cliff Prince, Betty (Jay) TenBrink, Agnes Wybenga, and others.
- For all who journey with cancer: Henry Hoekstra, Sarah Samuelson, 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, the province of Manipur in India, 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 Canchè in Mexico City, Jeffrey & Evelyn Hough in Muskegon, Jeff & Kristi Schmidt with Wycliffe Bible Translators, Bob & Marcia Vermaire in Sierra Leone, and the many church planters we partner with through Mission India.