

May 7, 2023

“You will keep in perfect peace him whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you. Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord is the Rock eternal” Isaiah 26:3-4

We welcome Pastor John Byker as he leads us in our worship. May he be a blessing to us and we a blessing to him.

GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude: “I Worship the King” with “Here I Am to Worship”
Welcome, God's Greeting, Call to worship, Opening Prayer
Time of Mutual Greeting

Opening Songs:

“Lord Be Glorified”
“I Worship You”
“Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down”
“More Love to Thee” RH 132

Congregational/Morning Prayer

We Hear God Speak to Us in His Word

Scripture: John 14:1-14

Message: "A Way Home"

Prayer of Application

***Hymn of Response:** “Love Divine” PH 588

Closing Blessing and Word of Encouragement

Closing Song: “To God Be the Glory” PH 632

Postlude: “Will There Be Any Stars?”

Prayer, news, & ‘thanks’ for & from our Family & Friends

Continue to pray for those in our church family who are living in care facilities: **Irma** at Homestead of Morrison; **Gene** and **Coretta** at Resthave.

Remember those in our church family, some of whom are unable to worship with us, who are dealing with cancer and other health issues—David and Nelta, Joanne P., Irv P.

Celebrating another year of Life:

May 1...Gerry Wiebenga

May 5...Irv Prins

May 6...Joanne Peterson

We Celebrate the day God gave you life!

Anniversary Celebration:

May 5...Craig & Cindy Hoogheem (51)

May 18...Alan & Shelley Meurs (38)

May 23...Ron & Linda Wilkens (54)

Loving Congratulations and Continued Blessings to all!

Church Activities

Sunday, May 7, 2023

8:45 a.m. – Worship led by Pastor John Byker

Offerings: 1. General Fund 2. Unity Christian Schools

Sunday, May 14, 2023

8:45 a.m. – Worship led by Pastor John Byker

Offering: 1. General Fund

Announcements

CRC News: Pray for Synod 2023 - Join believers across the denomination for 40 days of prayer in preparation for Synod 2023. Beginning on April 30 and concluding on June 8, 2023, each day readers will receive a Bible text, a prayer, and some suggested

questions for reflection or conversation. All of the prayers are intended to reflect the theme of Synod 2023: Longing to be Like Christ, which is based on Philippians 2:1-11, summarized by verse 5: “In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus.” Learn more and sign up at www.crcna.org/longing-to-be-like-christ.

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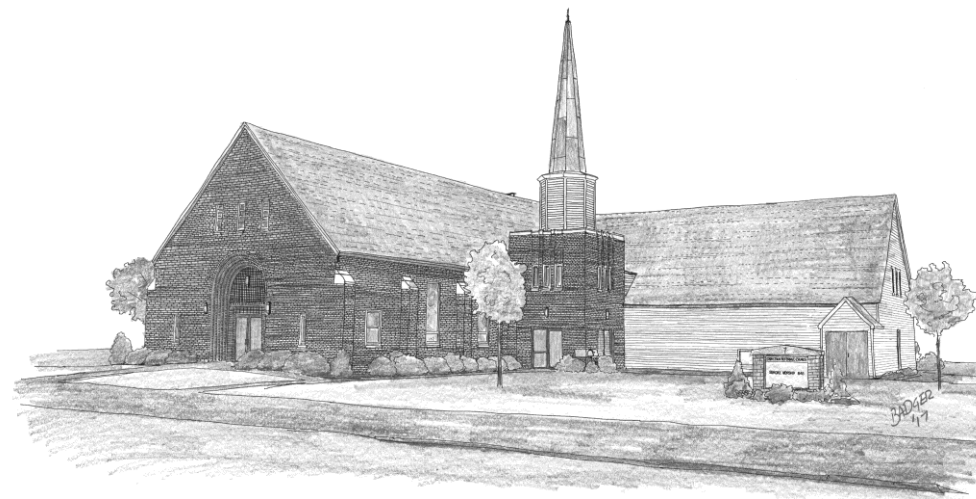
Church office: 815-772-4657

Secretary’s hours: Tuesday-Friday 9 a.m. -- 11:00 a.m.
Please turn in all bulletin information by noon on Thursday

Contact person for any prayer requests you’d like passed on is:
Cindy Hoogheem (563-613-1125).

Need to talk with someone? Contact the Elder or Deacon listed for your ‘Care Group’ (Posted on the Bulletin Board)

Elder:	Group	Deacon
Arnie Vegter – Vicar	A	Gordon Zaagman - Treasurer
Dave Schaver - President	B	Irv Prins
Cindy Hoogheem - Clerk	C	Joanne Musser – Ass’t Treasurer



“To guide and lead ALL people to Jesus. We will do this by being like Jesus in our lives and by providing a loving and joyful atmosphere.”

REAL - RELEVANT- RELATIONAL

DISCIPLE:
ONE WHO IS FOLLOWING JESUS, IS BEING TRANSFORMED BY JESUS, AND IS COMMITTED TO THE MISSION OF JESUS