July 23, 2023 (Services available on website northstreetcrc.org)

Morning Worship Service 9:30 AM

Message by Rev. Dirk Koetje "God's People Opposed" Ezra 4:1-24

Evening Worship Service 5:30 PM

Message by Rev. Dirk Koetje "A Day In The Life Of Jesus" Mark 1:21-39

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS – July 23, 2023		
Accompanists:	AM	Ruth Meekhof
		Instrumentalists: Thijs DuBois-tambourine; Calvin Hilbelink-guitar; Dan Sterk-cajone
	PM	Ruth Meekhof
		Vocalists: Danielle Hilbelink, Bill Lyzenga, Renae VanAst
Ushers:	AM &	PM Tyler Bostrom (East), Al Arendsen (Center), Derek Bostrom (West)
Rover:	AM	Zach VandenHeuvel PM Larry Harmsen
Radio:	AM	Scott Hoek/Mark DuBois PM Brent Leegwater/Mark DuBois
Nursery:	AM	Chelsea VandenBosch, Laura Visser, Naomi VanDussen, Alli Peerbolt
	PM	Suann Zwiers, Jennifer Fortosis, Sadie DuBois, Ellary Boersema
Audio/Visual Operators: AM Todd VandenHeuvel, Sheryl VandenHeuvel, Tyler Bostrom		
		PM Todd VandenHeuvel, Sheryl VandenHeuvel, Tyler Bostrom

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS – July 30, 2023

Bulletin Announcements should be submitted by noon on Thursdays. You may submit announcements by e-mail (bulletin@northstreetcrc.org), by calling Carol (616.772.1557), or write them out and place them in the Bulletin Editor's mailbox in the Narthex. Sunday - July 239:30 AMMorning Worship Service5:30 PMEvening Worship Service

<u> Monday – July 24</u>

7:00 PM Elders/Deacons Meetings

Tuesday – July 256:30 AMElder Prayer Time11:00 AMMiddle School Summer Splash Event
@ Dan & Kristin's home- 'til 2:00 PM1:00 PMWorship Planning Meeting

Wednesday - July 26

7:30 PM Boys & Girls Church Softball Game *Additional Game – Note time due to anticipated temp* Drenthe Grove Park (615 – 68th Avenue, Zeeland)

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 30 Mission Team Meeting - 4:30 PM - Rm.#4

Aug. 1 Building & Grounds Committee Meeting

Aug. 5 High School & Middle School Event

Boating Night @ Mike & Mary Geerlings' Home

FOCUS ON MISSIONS

David & Emily Romero serve at *Jubilee Centers International,* which provides a high quality, transformative Christian Education to vulnerable children and youth in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, in the at-risk neighborhood of La Era. Currently, they have nearly 300 K-9th students with the hope to add all high school grades in the next few years. More information is available at <u>www.jubileecentershn.org</u>.

Advance Notice from the Mission Team: Preparations are being made to welcome *Beautiful Gate representatives, Peter* & *Lindiwe Kirstein* from Lesotho, on <u>Sunday, August 20</u>. A Church potluck dinner will follow their presentation.

From The Mission Team: Peter & Lindiwe Kirstein, from Beautiful Gate, will be coming to Michigan from August 15-29. They are looking for people who can host them for 3-4 nights. A car will be provided to them to use, so just some meals and a place to sleep are needed. Please contact *Scott & Laura Visser* if you can help.

CHURCH FAMILY

Ed & Joyce Zylstra: We express our sympathy to Ed & Joyce in the passing of Ed's brother, *James 'Jim' Zylstra*, who passed away on Sunday, July 16. We pray for the Lord's comfort and peace to be with the family in this time of loss.

Eric & Nakisha DeJong (Taryn, Lainey, and Ezra) are excited to have reached the point of adoption finalization for *Maverick*. We invite our church family to come celebrate with us at an Ice Cream Sundae Open House on Sunday, July 30, from 2:00-4:00PM in our backyard (4438 – 96th Ave., Zeeland).

Congratulations to *Sydney Leegwater and James Viel* who were untied in marriage yesterday, July 22, at North Street. We pray that as they begin their life together, God will remain at the center of their marriage.





A Grocery Shower is taking place for *Sydney & James Viel*. TODAY is the last day to place your gifts in the grocery cart in the Narthex.

Todd & Sheryl VandenHeuvel are "extremely grateful to our Lord for a successful back surgery for Todd on June 15. We anticipate that Todd will be off from work until at least October 15, due to complications. We continue to ask God for patience throughout this lengthy recovery. We are very thankful for the love and support of our family, the calls and visits from Pastor Dirk, and the love and care shown to us by our North Street Church Family. What a blessing it is to belong to this family of Christ!"



AT HOME MEMBERS

Ken & Toni VerBeek live at Royal Atrium Inn in Zeeland. (400 Parkside Drive, Zeeland, MI 49464)



COLLEGE STUDENT

Calvin Hilbelink (son of Stephan & Danielle) will be a sophomore at Trinity Christian College. His major is Art Therapy and Spanish. Some of the classes he is taking are Spanish, Art History, Sculptures, Christian Scriptures, Honors Choir, and Jazz Band. This summer Calvin is working for Chick-fil-A. Next spring, Calvin plans to study in Seville Spain, for the spring semester. Calvin's email address is <u>calvinhilbelink810@gmail.com</u>. Calvin will celebrate his 19th birthday on Tuesday July 25! Happy Birthday Calvin! We pray God's blessings on you as you continue your college education!

COUNCIL NEWS Offering Schedule:

July 23: AM Winning At Home PM North Street CAP

July 30: AM The Bridge PM RYS-Reformed Youth Services

The Council has approved and begun work on an updated membership directory, which will include photos. If you have a current family photo you would like to submit, please send it to <u>office@northstreetcrc.org</u>. Please include the names of everyone included in the photo. For those wishing to have a new photo taken, times will be scheduled at a later date to provide that option.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Line Update E-mails are sent twice a week to members of North Street CRC. If you need to update your e-mail address, or would like to be added to the distribution list to receive these updates, please send a message to <u>office@northstreetcrc.org</u>.

CALLING on North Street Cooks: Freezer meals have been depleted from the church freezer. When you are making a meal – make an extra portion that can be shared with those that are in need. Containers are available in the kitchen cupboard by the stove. Label and date and put in the church freezer.



Soups, casseroles, etc.

Single, couple, or family size servings.

Meals that can be re-heated or meals that can be baked per instructions.

Any questions - contact Linda Boerman.

North Street is looking for individuals/families who can assist with preparing the building for Sunday Services. Do you enjoy providing hospitality and have an eye for detail? This is a paid position, with duties related to opening and closing the building and Sanctuary. Please see *Ryan Boerman* for more information.

Alaska 2024 Mission Trip: If you would like to participate in the Alaska 2024 Mission Trip (June 22-29, 2024), please sign-up by Sunday, July 30, with a \$100.00 deposit. Priority will be given to students that have finished 8ths grade by June 2024. **Adults that would like to go**, please also submit your name by July 30, and in the following week after we assess space availability, we will decide how many of the interested adults we can accommodate and collect a deposit from those that are interested at that time. Any questions, see **Dan Sterk**, Youth Ministries Director.

Advance Notice: The Amazing Race is back! Save the date of Saturday night, September 23. Post-high thru mid-life. More details to come!

PRAYER CORNER The 24 Hour Prayer Line Numbers: Local: 879.0057 & Toll Free: 1.800.401.6640

Mike & Kelli Anderson and family: The Anderson family, missionaries supported by North Street, are anticipating their move to Peru on August 9. Please pray that the next few weeks of preparation go smoothly and that they are able to settle in well with their new ministry partner, South America Mission.

Connie DeHaan: Connie continues to recuperate and receive rehab following hip surgery. She is at Freedom Village (now in room Rm.#2240). We continue to pray that this time of recovery and rehab goes well.

Eric & Nakisha DeJong: We rejoice with the DeJong family as the long-anticipated completion of their adoption of 4year old *Maverick*, will be finalized in court this week Thursday, July 27. Please pray for things to proceed as planned, so their family can finally all have the same last name.

Nick Fortosis: Please pray for *Nick's cousin, Katie*, who is currently in the hospital on a ventilator, and the doctors have been unable to wake her. Katie is 6 months pregnant, and also has another daughter. Please pray for wisdom for the medical staff, for comfort and patience for her husband and family, and God willing, a miracle for her and the unborn child in her womb.

Caleb Lucas (12 year old son of Curt & Jamie): Caleb underwent an MRI this past Friday to address his weight loss and difficulty in swallowing. We pray that results will provide answers. Pray that he may have an increased appetite and ability to consume the calories he needs, as well as for his medication adjustment period to resolve.

Henry Meppelink: Please keep Henry in your prayers as he fell this past Wednesday and suffered a head injury. He went into Butterworth Hospital by ambulance where it was discovered that he had a small brain bleed. That appears to be stable at this time. He remains hospitalized as they run more tests.

Carol Nagelkirk: We give thanks that Carol's son *Dan* has seen his kidney function improve. We pray that this continue to improve.

Rick & Linda VanderPloeg, and Matt VanderPloeg: Please remember Rick & Linda and Matt in your prayers as they will be attending the 2023 Cadet International Camporee in Dunningville, Ontario, Canada from July 19-26. Pray for all those in attendance to receive traveling mercies and deepen their faith during this camp experience.

Rick & Linda VanderPloeg: We give thanks that Rick & Linda's *twin grand-daughters* are growing and gaining weight. We pray that they may soon be discharged from the hospital.

Laura Visser and Shawna Bouwkamp: We give thanks that Laura and Shawna were able to attend the GEMS Leadership Conference this past Friday and Saturday. We pray that this experience will be helpful and uplifting as they prepare to lead the North Street GEMS again this coming year.

Elaine Venema: We give thanks that Elaine's infant niece, *Charlotte*, is gaining weight. We pray for strength and comfort for her parents in this time of 'watch and wait' regarding her heart defect.

Rose Worley: Rose was discharged from Blodgett Hospital this past Monday afternoon and is now home. Please continue to pray for renewed strength and that she will be able to tolerate her feedings.

Dale VanderYacht: Dale fell last weekend and spent some time in the hospital. He injured his neck and expects to be in a brace for several weeks. Please pray for relief from pain, as well as healing for Dale.

Council Member of Focus: Elder Bill Lyzenga

