

April 6, 2025

(Services available on website northstreetcrc.org)

Morning Worship Service

9:30 AM

Message by Rev. Ron Bouwkamp

“Choose Your Focus In Life”

Matthew 6:19-34

Evening Worship Service

5:30 PM

Message by Rev. Dr. Dan Kroeze

“A Reward Worth Living For”

Matthew 25:14-30

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - April 6, 2025

Accompanists: AM Sue Lucas Prelude: Janet Dekkinga
PM Sue Lucas

Rover/Radio: AM Steven VanAst Mark DuBois Scott Hoek
PM Nick Unema Steven VanAst Josh VandenBosch

Ushers: AM & PM Ben Velderman (East), Allyn Arendsen (Center), Todd VandenHeuvel (West)

Nursery: AM Nancy Oskam, Suann Zwiers, Sarabiah Worley, Abby Venema
PM Jan Klompmaker, Laura Visser, Naomi VanDussen, Macie Schutt

Sound/Projection/Camera Operators: AM Matt VanderPloeg, Larry Redder, Tyler Bostrom
PM Jerry Redder, Larry Redder, Tyler Bostrom

Children's Worship: Off for Spring Break

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - April 13, 2025

Accompanists: AM Ruth Meekhof, Val Leegwater
PM Sue Arendsen

Rover/Radio: AM Todd VandenHeuvel Dan Sterk Mark DuBois
PM Larry Harmsen Todd VandenHeuvel Steven VanAst

Ushers: AM & PM Jim Staat Jr. (East), Terry Boerman (Center), Thijs DuBois (West)

Nursery: AM Grace Hilbelink, Leigh VanDussen, Derek Bostrom, Alli Peerbolt
PM Kathy Busscher, Briana Unema, Andie Schutt, Zachary Mast

Sound/Projection/Camera Operators: AM James Viel, Ron Oskam, Jackson Busscher
PM Jerry Redder, Ron Oskam, Jackson Busscher

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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.

THIS WEEK

Sunday - April 6

9:30 AM Morning Worship Service
Rev. Ron Bouwkamp
11:00 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
5:30 PM Evening Worship Service
Rev. Dr. Dan Kroeze
NO Children's Worship tonight
6:45 PM Pizza Party - *'The Grove'*
NO High School Youth Group

Tuesday - April 8

6:30 AM Elder Prayer Time
3:45 PM Worship Planning Meeting

Thursday - April 10

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study meets - *Fireside Room*
8:30 AM N.S. Seniors Breakfast - Russ' Eastown

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 13 Palm Sunday
April 13: Choir Rehearsal - 11:00 AM
April 13 High School Youth Group meets
Meal provided by Blake & Emily Rottschafer family
April 14 Council Meeting
April 18 Good Friday Worship Service - 6:30 PM
April 20 Easter Sunday

FOCUS ON MISSIONS

Crossroads Prison Ministries connects people in prisons with mentors from churches to develop Christ-centered relationships as they study God's Word together. Some of our church members are involved with this ministry. More information is available at www.cpministries.org.

UPDATE: *Don Slager*, missionary with the *United Bible Society*, has returned safely home following his month in Liberia. We give thanks to the Lord for the good work he was able to do and for His hand of protection on Don while he was away.

PRAYER CORNER



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

John Holwerda was discharged from the hospital and spent some time at SKLD in Zeeland. He was able to be discharged from SKLD this past Friday. He is happy to be home and thanks the Congregation for prayers of encouragement. We join with John & Trudie in thanking God for His healing strength.

Betty Kroll received very good news from her recent PET Scan and we praise the Lord with her! She will be undergoing a nerve block on Thursday to address her continued pain - please pray that this will bring relief.

Tim Meekhof received shots in his neck last week to address the chronic pain while his brain stimulation device remains off. He will not be getting an MRI at this time, but has a follow-up appointment with his doctor in a month. Please continue to pray for wisdom for the doctor, relief for Tim, and strength for Ruth as she walks this difficult road with her husband.

Joyce Rigerink's 7-month-old great-granddaughter, Blaire, underwent surgery this past Tuesday at Mott Children's Hospital. We praise God that the surgery went well! Blaire will be in a partial body cast for 6 weeks. We continue to pray for her full healing.

Meredith Sal is making progress as she remains hospitalized with a functional neurological disorder. Pray for strengthening as she hopes to be discharged to a rehab facility. We continue to pray for her mom, **Joey Sal**, as she walks alongside her daughter in this challenging time. Pray for her 7-year-old son, **Jonah**, who is no doubt missing his mom while she is hospitalized.

Continue to pray for those battling cancer:

Terry Boerman *Betty Kroll*
Linda VanDyke

Council Member of Focus:
Elder Martin Bostrom

COUNCIL NEWS

Offering Schedule:

- April 6:** AM Family Life Center
PM Beautiful Gate
- April 13:** AM North Street CAP
PM Right to Life Education Fund

Congregation members should contact their *District Elder* if a need arises this coming week.

We welcome to this Morning's Worship Service, Rev. Ron Bouwkamp. Pastor Ron grew up south of Jamestown, Michigan, and is married to Marlene Compagner from Oakland (sister of Rev. Cal Compagner and brother-in-law of *Linda Compagner*). He has served churches in Alberta Canada, Washington, Vermont, Iowa, and Michigan.

We welcome to our Evening Worship Service, Rev. Dr. Dan Kroeze, who is a Professor of Biblical Studies at Kuyper College. He teaches courses in both Old and New Testament, equipping students for ministry vocations to engage God's world with the Good News of the Gospel. Dr. Kroeze also currently serves as the Teaching Pastor at Westend CRC in Grand Rapids.

We are glad that Rev. Bouwkamp and Rev. Kroeze are with us today in leading the Services and look forward to their preaching of the Good News of Salvation in Jesus Christ!

Severe Weather/Cancellation Policy: If a **Tornado Watch or Tornado Warning** is in effect one hour prior to the start of a scheduled Worship Service or mid-week meeting, the service or meeting will be considered cancelled.



LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Choir Camp at Messiah's IRC in Holland is happening **June 16-20, 2025**. This is a fun, free opportunity for kids in grades 1-8 to learn choral skills and sing scripture-based songs to our Lord. Check out this year's theme, register, and get more info at messiahs-irc.org. Registration opens **March 24**. Space is limited, so tell your friends, sign up soon, and come sing with us!

Parkview Adult Foster Care Home will be having their **7th Annual Sporting Clay Shoot Fundraiser** at Blendon Pines on Saturday, April 19. Sponsor (\$150.00) and Shooter (\$50.00/adult; \$35.00/student under 16). Registration forms are available at the *'Sign-up Station'* in the Narthex. Contact **Terry Boerman** (616.886.8299) with any questions.

Make An Impact For Mental Health! Come join us on Saturday, April 26, for the **9th Annual Love & Lean Walk/Run for Mental Health!** Walk or run a 5K or 1.5 mile route on sidewalks, bike paths and trails through the wetlands. Physical activity is good for mental health! The route, which starts at the Zeeland stadium, will be lined with memorial pictures, motivating interaction, sidewalk chalk inspiration, and encouraging message signs. This annual event was inspired by the loss of **Zach Kroll**, who silently suffered from depression and died at the age of 15. Let's come together as a community to support each other and help reduce the shame and secrecy surrounding mental health so less people struggle silently and more people seek help. More information can be found at: <https://runsignup.com/Race/MI/Zeeland/LoveLeanWalkforMentalHealth>.

The Christian Reformed Conference Grounds will be hosting their annual **Spring Fundraising Dinner and Concert on Saturday, April 26**. After enjoying a delicious roast beef dinner, you will discover what is 'bubbling up' at the Grounds, enjoy piano duets with *Julie Baylor & Dawn Bouman*, and enjoy an incredible time of praise and worship with *The Choral Ambassadors' Octet*. The cost of the dinner has been taken care of by a generous donor, but we will graciously be accepting donations to help fund our new Ministry Center. Doors will open at 5:30 PM; Dinner is served at 6:00 PM; the program and concert to follow! We can't wait to celebrate with you! Call 616.842.4478 to make a reservation for this fantastic evening.

AT HOME MEMBERS

Kris Michmerhuizen lives at The Cortland Holland.
(445 - 104th Avenue, Holland, MI 49423)

Everdeane Bonnes lives at The Vines Senior Home in Elgin, Illinois.
(mail should be sent to her c/o Dwight Bonnes
11142 Shakespeare Avenue Westchester, IL 60154)

Happy Birthday



JoAnn Kiger
84 on April 5

Al Kroll
86 on April 9

CHURCH FAMILY

We extend our sympathies to **Dan & Kristin Sterk and Mazy** in the passing of Kristin's dad, **Wayne Geurink**, who died on Monday, March 31. His funeral service was held this past Thursday, April 3. We continue to remember Dan & Kristin and Mazy in our prayers, along with the entire Geurink family, asking our Heavenly Father to provide comfort and peace in this time of loss.

We extend our sympathies to the **Leegwater family (Brent & Val, Briana & Nick Unema, Sydney & James Viel, Lyndsey & Caleb Smith)** following the passing of their dear family friend **Jonah Roelofs**, on Monday, March 31, after a 15-month battle with Burkitt's Lymphoma. We pray that the Lord will be near to Jonah's family and friends, providing comfort and peace during this difficult time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Spring Break Pizza Party! Join us in *'The Grove'* tonight for pizza following the Evening Worship Service. No need to sign up or bring anything! Just come and enjoy some pizza and fellowship!

North Street Seniors will be having their Senior Breakfast at Russ' Eastown in Holland, on **Thursday, April 10, at 8:30 AM**. Looking forward to seeing each one of you! Please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Thanks!

Sunday School Kids (Threes thru 5th grade) are asked to meet in the Children's Worship Room on **Palm Sunday (April 13), at 9:15 AM**. We will be walking into church with palm branches during the first songs.

North Street Campers: Please meet briefly in *'The Grove'* for a short meeting following the Morning Worship Service on April 13. This will be regarding the campout scheduled for **July 11-18 at Dutch Treat Campgrounds**. This is also a reminder to make your individual reservations prior to May 1. The good news is that there are still a couple sites available. If you are interested but haven't signed up at this time, please attend this meeting for details. Any questions, please call **Earl Mokma** (616.635.9582).

Our Easter Morning Service will again feature a 'Walk-up Choir' to sing the *'Hallelujah Chorus'*. If you have any questions about this, please see **Danielle Hilbelink**.

North Street GEMS is looking for a **Club Coordinator or Co-Coordinators**. This outreach opportunity requires only a love for God and for the girls! Some organizational skills and computer literacy are helpful as well. No need to have daughters, and no age limit! Please contact **Laura Visser** or the Education Committee for more details.

