Ron Hertz (110 S. Zeeland Pkwy, Zeeland) will be having surgery on January 9 to scrape his bladder for cancer.

Bob Arnoldink (1678 West Clearwater, Zeeland) is recovering at home from hernia surgery and plans to have surgery to remove kidney stones on February 27.

Marv VandenBosch (2337 Valarie Dr., Zeeland) asks for prayers for continued healing in his foot. He is really struggling with not being able to get around.

Please pray for the Mexico Mission Team as they travel, build, connect with and serve alongside CASAS Por Cristo and Rivers of Mercy Children's Home in Juarez, Jan. 9-14: Kevin Crandall, Pete Dockery, Eric & Megan Emery, Ali Grace & Dave Geurink, Mark Graham, Kurt Henry, Joelle Henry, Bree Hodel, Myra & Michael Koomen, Sheri, Kayla & Levi LaFrance, Brian & Tressa Lamar, Andrew & Carter Lawrence, Tom Meeuwsen, Dustin Pawloski, Dennis Schepers, Greg Thomassen, Brian VanHoven, Staci & Jaxson Visser, and Pete & Sue Zwyghuizen.

To all who sent cards and "Merry Christmas" greetings, we thank you so very much! The little treats that were included were a much enjoyed bonus. Your cards and kind thoughts meant so very much to us, and it is such a gift to be remembered by all of you!

We pray the kindness you've so generously given to us is returned to you in the coming year! Hugs, Scott & Mary Nykerk

Thank you to the pastors and congregation for their visits, prayers, and cards before John's surgery and in his recovery. Your thoughtfulness means so much. ~John & Gloria Fritz

My sincere gratitude and appreciation for all the prayers, texts, beautiful cards, words of encouragement, and Pastor Kurt's visit. Thank you, Church Family! ~Linda Kraai

Pauline Meeuwsen has moved to Riley's Grove Assisted Living and Memory Care, and is in Room 211. She was very happy and thankful to receive all the many "Get Well" and Christmas cards. Thank you to all of you! ~The Meeuwsen Family

Thank you to Pastor Kurt for his calls and to the congregation for the prayers, the many cards and notes as well as phone calls. This is such a caring congregation, and it is a joy to be a part of it. ~Judy Timmer



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January 7, 2024

WE'RE GLAD THAT YOU'VE JOINED US IN WORSHIP TODAY.

8:40am Daybreak | 9:00am BreakWater | 10:30am BreakAway John 1:1-34 | "The Lamb" | Rev. Trent Walker

> 10:30am Mosaic John 1:1-34 | "Son of God" | Rev. Josh Harrington

Sunday morning coffee is made and run by our students, and all donations help with their mission trip expenses. ENJOY! Thanks for your support!

For 2024 we are reading through the Gospels as a congregation. Reading guide calendars are at the Welcome Center, and links to the readings are online. You may also sign up to receive a daily text with a link to the reading, if you prefer. We really want to be in God's Word together as a church, and not just on Sundays. Join us anytime throughout the year as we dig into the Good News of Jesus together.

### Kids@Community

Nursery (infant-age 3) is available on Sundays at 9 & 10:30am. Children of all ages are welcome in "big church" any time, and activity pages, coloring books and crayons, are available in the small bookcase near the Nursery, if needed. Sunday School (age 3–5th grade) is also available at 9 & 10:30am. Please check in at the Nursery counter or kiosks in the West Commons. Kids in Kindergarten-5th grade are invited to join the fun at "Gather" on Wednesday nights. There's worship, games, and crafts from 6–7:30pm following a free meal served between 5–5:45pm. Nursery is also available on Wednesdays from 6–7:30pm. Questions? Contact Melissa (melissa@commref.org or 616–610–0037).

## Youth@Community

Our 2024 calendar is at the Welcome Center and at <u>communityreformed.org/youth</u>. Check it out for all the details on who, what, when, and where for middle and high school students. Questions? Contact Bree (269–870–5432 or bree@commref.org).

"Living Out" Sunday School-10:15-11:30am, Music Room

Fellowship with God is the essence of our faith, and Dr. Tony Evans walks through 1, 2, & 3 John to paint a picture of love, obedience, and truth. In a world that hates Jesus, we are called to love Him and His people with a fierce love. Everyone 6<sup>th</sup> grade+ is welcome to join us. Questions? Contact Jen (616-350-4020 or jen@commref.org).

Gather@Community—Wednesdays, 5:00–7:30pm, Gym/Mosaic (Door A, B, or F) Join us for tacos between 5–5:45pm in the Gym, worship in the Mosaic at 6pm; and community groups at 6:45pm. Nursery is available starting at 6pm, and kids in Kindergarten–5th grade will have their own special time of worship, games, and crafts between 6–7:30pm. Let's pause midweek and experience community with one another in the presence of our Heavenly Father. Questions? Questions? Contact Jen (616–350–4020 or jen@commref.org).

# The Well-Tuesday, January 9, 6:30-8:00pm, Mosaic (Door A or B)

Happy New Year! Everybody likes a fresh start, right? If you're a woman and have never been to The Well, I invite you to join us for some warm fellowship, intimate worship, and an inspiring, personal story from one of own, Danielle Harrington. Bring a friend, or meet a new one here. I hope you can join us! Questions? Contact Lyn Walker (616-886-0985 or <a href="mailto:lwalker@commref.org">lwalker@commref.org</a>).

Prayer Warriors—Wednesdays, 12:15-12:45pm, Fireside Room (Door H)

Join us as we gather weekly to connect with God and pray for the needs of Community; the staff, our services, programs, missions, and needs of our members. Questions?

Contact Lyn (616-886-0985 or <a href="www.waker@commref.org">www.waker@commref.org</a>).

# Women's Gospel Study Group

Tuesdays, January 16-February 20, 9:30-11:00am, Commons (Door B, C, or F) Ladies, if you'd like to dig deeper into the Gospels that we're reading through and preaching from this winter, join Lori Geurink and Lyn Walker for a 6-week small group discussion. Come with your Bible, your questions, and your insights. Questions? Contact Lori Geurink (616-403-3415 or mrslorigeurink@gmail.com).

GriefShare—Tuesdays starting January 16, 5:30–7:00pm, Music Room (Door F) If you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a spouse, child, parent, or close friend, and might benefit from some support and tools to help on the grief journey, please register at <a href="mailto:commref.org/signup">commref.org/signup</a>, <a href="mailto:GriefShare.org">GriefShare.org</a>, or the Welcome Center. Questions? Contact Lyn Walker (<a href="mailto:lwalker@commref.org">lwalker@commref.org</a> or 616–886–0985).

# Men's Morning Bible Study—Thursdays, January 18-March 7, 8:00am, Upper Room (Door A or B)

Men, please join us as we study "The Acts of the Apostles" by Louie Giglio, and walk through the story of the early church. Acts may have been written two thousand years ago, but God is calling us to be a part of that story today. There'll be coffee and donuts, too! Questions? Contact Kyle Borst (kborst@commref.org or 616-836-4034).

New Members Lunch 'N Learn—Sunday, January 21, 12:00–2:00pm, Sonrise Room If you're interested in taking the next step to becoming a member of Community or simply want to know more about who we are and why we do what we do, you're invited to join Pastor Kurt and Jen Bakhuyzen for lunch. Please RSVP at <a href="mailto:commref.org/signup">commref.org/signup</a> or call the church office (616–772–4907). Questions? Contact Jen (<a href="mailto:jen@commref.org">jen@commref.org</a> or 616–350–4020).

### Knitting Ministry-Friday, January 26, 10:00am, Commons (Door B)

We meet on the 4th Friday of the month to knit together tangible gifts of comfort, hope and peace. If you're a knitter, we'd love to have you join us! Questions? Call Jan Bareman (616-610-4571).

# Hebraic Worship & Social Dance (Free Workshop)

1st & 3rd Tuesdays, January-April, 7:00-8:30pm, Sonrise Room (Door A, B, or H) Come join us as we learn worship and social dances in the Hebraic style of dance which includes flavors of Israeli, Russian, ballet, and European folk dance. Many of these dances will be done to contemporary Christian music or Israeli songs, and we'll also do quicker fun social dances. The classes are open to everyone who desires to learn, of all skill levels and ages, and will be tailored to the skill levels of those attending. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult who participates in the class or remains in the room the entire time. Please wear comfortable shoes, and clothes to move in. A water bottle is also suggested. Questions? Contact Shannon Campau (616-546-1391 or events@thrivetoday.org).

Sidewalk Prophets Songs & Stories Tour—March 22, Community Church, 7:00pm Doors open at 6:15pm, and the show starts at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$18-\$65 and are available now at sidewalkprophets.com.

Hand2Hand delivers hope to hungry children by mobilizing churches and schools to provide food to students over the weekend. Our Micro-Pantry is available 24/7, and is emptied and refilled throughout the week. The needs lists for these two ministries is at <a href="mailto:commref.org/missions/">commref.org/missions/</a> and at the Welcome Center. Donations may be dropped off at Door A, B, or F. Thanks!

#### PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAISE REPORTS

We express our sympathy to Cookie & Jim Kuiper (2951 Creek View Dr., Zeeland) following the passing of Cookie's sister, Sue Swett, on December 30.

Blessings to Payton & Jacob Bruursema (7750 104th Ave., Zeeland) on the birth of Charles John, born on January 3. Proud family includes Grandma Bobbie Jo, Uncle Kyle, and Aunt Katie. Congratulations, Bruursema family!

Lisa DeVries' (3128 112th Ave., Holland 49424) spent a few days in the hospital with a high fever and rapid heart beat. She is grateful for the wonderful medical and support staff and the tender loving care she's receiving from Ross and the girls. Please pray for favorable lab results and that next week's chemo treatment will do its job. Cast your cares on the Lord and He will sustain you; He will never let the righteous be shaken. Psalms 55:22

**James Johnson** (285 N State St., Room 306, Zeeland) has returned to SKLD. Meds have been adjusted and are working much better.