

Prayer Corner

Pray for:

- Rod Pell, on the loss of his brother Jerry
- Michele DeYoung, on the loss of her father Mike Paris
- Cindy Reinhardt, recovering from a broken ankle
- Jean Oole, Jayne Ruiters' mother who fell and suffered a stroke
- Bob Surrige, Bill's son, diagnosed with Meniere's disease
- Don Boyink, Sara Meiste's stepfather, being treated for lung cancer
- Karen Straley, Donna DeYoung's sister, undergoing treatment for cancer
- Norm Heerema, being treated for rheumatoid arthritis
- Kristin Dykstra, receiving cancer treatment
- Gert Molewyk, Donna DeYoung's sister-in-law, who has cancer
- Janet Anderson, undergoing treatment for cancer
- Ellen DeYoung VanOss, undergoing treatment for cancer
- Billy Hines, Cindy Reinhardt's son-in-law, waiting for a kidney transplant

Pray for our loved ones who are unable to worship with us:

- Wilma Olson, at Shorehaven
- Marguerite Turnbull at the Rose Garden
- Liz Mastenbrook
- Bob Palen
- Walter Zerlaut at Robbinswood
- Kathy Fritsma
- Ruth Westhoff at Christian Haven



Prayer Challenge

Consider this question in prayer: What does God see when He looks at you?

Talk About It

How does God's love change you?

This Week at FCC (December 6-December 13, 2009)

Day	Event	Time	Location
Sunday:	Sunday School	9:15 AM	
	Worship Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Kids' Choir	11:45 AM	Music Room
	Jubilee	4:00 PM	
Monday:	Senior Energizers	9:00 AM	
	GEMS Christmas Party	6:30 PM	
Tuesday:	Quilters	8:45 AM	Music Room
	Trio	7:30 PM	
Wednesday:	Senior Energizers	9:00 AM	
	Boundaries	6:30 PM	
	Stewardship Meeting	7:00 PM	
Thursday:	Gym Use	8:00 PM	
Friday:	Senior Energizers	9:00 AM	
Saturday:	No Events Scheduled		

Happy Birthday

Michaela DeJonge	12/8
Stephanie Hoover	12/9
Luke Proctor	12/12

Service

	December 6, 2009	December 13, 2009
Greeters	Chuck/Jeanne' Gembis	Chuck/Jeanne' Gembis
Welcomers	Sharon Pell Scott/Mimi Whiting	Sharon Pell Scott/Mimi Whiting
Nursery	Charla Proctor Brenda Donselar Peter VanWinkle Rosemary VerHeul	Charla Proctor Michele Staal Lydia Kemperman Rosemary VerHeul
God Loves Me	Phil Hallenbeck Amanda Absher	Phil Hallenbeck Peyton Risselade
Little Lambs	Lauren Visser Gert Wallis	Lauren Visser Gert Wallis
Walk With Me	Carol Burley Joel VanWinkle	Carol Burley Nathan Landheer
Children & Worship	Susan VanWinkle Julie Merz Eric VanHorssen	Susan VanWinkle Kyra Raymond Jamie Kossuth
Sound	Stu/Keith	Ken/Stu
Screen	Mitchell Landheer	Julie Merz
Ushers	Al DeYoung Joe Risselade	Al DeYoung Joe Risselade

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Elders

Kris Grek
Greg DeWeerd, *Clerk*
Don Turnbull, *President*
Bob Rozema
Dale DeYoung
Lynn DeYoung
Jan Bross, *Care Elder*

Care District

Last names A-C
Last names D-G
Last names H-K
Last names L-P
Last names Q-Te
Last names Th-Z

Deacons

Brady Proctor
Kevin Knollinger
Paul Betten
Paul Tjapkes
Chris Kemperman
Brian Meiste
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Ferrysburg Community Church

Modeling our Lives after Christ
Offering Grace • Nurturing Faith • Equipping for Service

Welcome to Ferrysburg Community Church! Thank you for spending this morning with us. We hope that you experience God's grace today during your time here. Please join us for refreshments after the service.

December 6, 2009 • 2nd Sunday in Advent

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Organ: *Cathy Schaaf* Piano: *Becky Tjapkes*
Reader: *Kyle Kempster*
Lighting of the Advent Candle: *Nolan Tjapkes*
Soloist: *Curt Dykstra*

We Gather for Worship

Prelude
Welcome
Opening Songs

The First Noel
The Birthday of a King
It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Greeting from God
Mutual Greeting

Baptism of Ashley Jane Stewart

Offertory
Doxology

God Speaks To Us In Word

Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 5:11-21 NIV
Prayer for Open Minds
Sermon Animated Christmas: Transforming Power of Love
Prayer
Lighting of the Advent Candle

God Sends Us Out for Service

Blessing
Moment of Reflection
Postlude

Wireless hearing devices are available at the sound booth.

Ministries

Children

Nursery: There are staffed nurseries located at the end of the hallway for infants and toddlers.

Two Year-Olds: Children are invited to the God Loves Me class across from the nursery during the worship service. Children can be dropped off before the service.

Three Year-Olds: Children are invited to attend our Little Lambs program. Children exit the sanctuary following the banner during the time of greeting.

Preschool: Walk With Me meets during the worship service after the mutual greeting.

Early Elementary: Kindergarten and first grade students as well as other young elementary students who would benefit from their own time of worship are invited to attend Children & Worship after opening worship in the sanctuary.

Sunday School: Sunday school begins at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday for kindergarten and older, September through May.

Sunday School News: Students are encouraged to bring in a new, unused toy by next Sunday to give to a child in need through Love, INC this Christmas. The next two Sundays will be special Christmas lessons for our K-8 students including drama, singing, and special treats. All are encouraged to attend!

GEMS

Tomorrow night will be our Christmas party. See you here at FCC at 6:30!

Youth

Boundaries (Grades 6-8)

We will be meeting this Wednesday, the 9th, for our Christmas party from 6:30-8pm. Please bring the following items: an appetizer to share with the group (hot or cold), and a \$5 gift for our gift exchange. Please be creative. - Mrs. De Jonge

Boundaries Winter Retreat

We have the opportunity to go on another winter retreat this year to Camp Geneva. The cost is \$70 per student. Your non-refundable deposit of \$25 is due on December 9 with the balance due by January 6. If you have any question, please contact me. - Mrs. De Jonge

Jubilee (Grades 9-12)

We will be meeting this afternoon from 4-6pm in the youth room. Snacks are as follows: Francart - Sweet, Hallenbecks - Salty. Our next meeting will be on Sunday December 20. We will have our Christmas Party on that day. Please put it on your calendar. - Paula

Jubilee Life Trip

There will be a short informational meeting on the Jubilee Life Trip for 2010 right after church in the Youth Room today. Jeff Somers will be giving us some additional information.

Adults

Adult Ed—December 13, 2009:

The Sense of the Divine Presence

“In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways” (Hebrews 1:1). But how does God make his *sensory* presence known today? Earl Merz, father of Glenn Merz and recently retired pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, will trace the sensory presence of God in Scripture, compare it to our personal anticipation and expectation, and add some cautionary words about “the perils of enthusiasm.”

Announcements

Next Sunday

Next Sunday we will light the Advent candle of joy. If there was one group of people to whom Jesus brought joy, it was the misfits - shepherds, fisherman, Samaritans, and tax collectors. Jesus had a dramatic effect on those at the margins of society. Jesus is still bringing joy those who don't fit in. Next Sunday we'll take a closer look with a trip to the Island of Misfit Toys.

This Week's Offering is for Ray and Angie DeLange

Ray and Angie DeLange are missionaries to Guadalajara, Mexico. They lead an English speaking congregation and work within the community to share the love of Christ. Ray and Angie will be at FCC on December 27 to share about their work.

Budget Vote

We will vote today on the proposed 2010 budget during our worship service. Paper ballots will be collected during the offertory.

Spreading Christmas Cheer

Here are two ways you, your family, or your small group can share the joy of Christmas with others. 1) Send a card to one of our missionary families. A bag is on the table by the kitchen where you may place cards. We'll mail them after church next Sunday. 2) Send a card to a homebound member of our congregation. Call the church office for names and addresses.

Chancel Choir

We're going to put together a beautiful Chancel Choir for Christmas! But it's going to take a commitment and a lot of cooperation by a lot of great singers in this congregation. We need you all! One rehearsal. Two performances. We'll practice Wednesday evening, December 16, at 7:30 PM. We'll practice again at 8:40 AM on Sunday morning, December 20, and we'll sing during the worship service that morning. We'll sing the same selections again on Christmas Eve. That's it. Singers, we need you!

Memorial Wall

The majority of the Memorial Wall was completed last week. The cap is still being prepared and will probably be placed on the wall sometime this week. The rest of the Memorial Garden is to be completed next Spring. \$9,000.00 has been pledged. \$6,100.00 has already been received.

Kids Hope USA

We have a special opportunity this year to reach out to some kids with a special situation. We have four boys who have already experienced the death of their dad in their short lives. The principal has asked if we could find male mentors for these four boys. Two boys are already covered, but we are still in need of two mentors. If you are sixteen or older, would you prayerfully consider helping with this great opportunity to help a struggling young man? YOU could be the ONE! Please call Brenda Donselar with any questions or e-mail at bsadonselar@yahoo.com.

Memorial Service Photos

We will celebrate the lives of deceased loved ones and babies born to our church family this year during our service on December 27. Pictures can be emailed to office@ferrysburgchurch.com or dropped off to Sharon during church office hours. Pictures will be returned to you. Please submit names and photos by December 20.

Announcements

Humanity For Prisoners

The end of the year is rapidly approaching, but there's still plenty of time for end-of-the-year giving. A tax-exempt gift to HFP actually touches the lives of prisoners right here in western Michigan! Your gift makes a difference. HFP, PO Box 687, Grand Haven, MI 49417.

Love INC's Appliance Ministry Needs Your Help

We have a very low inventory of washers, electric dryers, refrigerators, and gas stoves. If you or someone you know has working appliances to donate, please contact Love INC at 846-2701. Thank you

Break Through the Noise Event at WMC!

All 8th graders and their parents are invited to join us December 8 from 6-7:15 p.m. at Western Michigan Christian High School to get information about WMCHS as you make your decision for high school. There will be food from Buffalo Wild Wings, games, and the teachers do some really cool activities in the classrooms. You will tour the school, meet our teachers, current students, and other 8th graders. At the end, everyone will get free tickets to the first boys basketball game in the new gym and the first game of the season as they go for the state championship three-peat. Please RSVP to Kyle Kempster at kyle@wmchs.net or call 231.799.9644x220. You can also go to riseup.wmchs.net and view a video.

Christmas Through the Eyes of a Child

You are invited to join Spring Lake CRC as they celebrate Christmas with a Christmas drama entitled, “Christmas Through the Eyes of a Child” tonight at 6:00 p.m.

Christian Haven Home

The Annual Meeting of Christian Haven Home will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the dining room of the home at 704 Pennoyer Avenue, Grand Haven, MI. All members of supporting churches are invited.

Grand Rapids Choir of Men & Boys Concert

The Grand Rapids Choir of Men & Boys, now in their 20th Anniversary season, will be presenting the traditional Nine Lessons & Carols for Advent on Sunday, Dec. 13 at 7:00 p.m. in St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Muskegon. Admission is free, but an offering will be received. The 45 men and boys begin their season in Holland, to be followed by four more performances in Fremont, Saugatuck, Muskegon and St. Andrews Cathedral in Grand Rapids. See our website at www.grcmb.org for more details.

Collection Information

General Fund—November 26 and 29, 2009

Offering	\$	3,924.92
Weekly Auto Debit Giving	\$	1,721.05
Weekly Budget Amount Needed	\$	8,151.63
Month-To-Date Offering	\$	45,483.67

Special Offering

<i>Benevolence</i>	\$	1,514.81
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