

February 23

SUNDAY, THE LORD'S DAY

2025

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**MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM**

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PRELUDE

HANDBELL CHOIR:..... “Our Great Redeemer’s Praise”

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*GOD’S GREETING: *(responsive)*

\*MUTUAL GREETING

\*SONGS OF PRAISE:

“Praise God, You Servants of the LORD” *PsH #113:1-4*

*(sung to the tune of “Jesus Shall Reign” PsH #412)*

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” *PsH #460:1-4*

**{Children 4 years old – 1<sup>st</sup> grade are invited to join the  
Worship Center leaders in the back during the last song}**

\*STATEMENT OF FAITH: Apostles’ Creed *(unison)*

RESPONSIVE READING OF THE LAW

SONG OF RESPONSE: “I Will Sing of My Redeemer” *PsH #479:1-3*

DEACON’S PRAYER

OFFERING: *Benevolence Fund*

OFFERTORY:..... “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”  
*Handbell Choir*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING: *Ezekiel 36:22-29*

SCRIPTURE: ..... Titus 3:1-10 (pg. 1859)

MESSAGE: ..... **GOSPEL POLITICS**

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

\*SONG: “May the Mind of Christ, My Savior” *PsH #291:1,2,3,5*

\*PARTING BLESSING

\*CLOSING SONG: “By the Sea of Crystal” *PsH #260:1,3*

\*POSTLUDE

*Pastor Cedric Parsels, Worship Leader; Erik De Vries, Organist*

*PsH=Psalter Hymnal (grey); TCH=The Celebration Hymnal (red)*

*\*If you are able, please stand*

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**WELCOME** to New Life Christian Reformed Church! We are glad you are here today! If you are a guest, please enjoy some coffee and fellowship after the morning service. We pray you will be blessed as you worship with us.

**SERVING TODAY**

**GREETERS:** Dale Ketelaar/Chris Porter/P.J. Wiltjer

**NURSERY:** Jill Boender/Traci Leep

**POWERPOINT OPERATOR:** Cameron Zandstra

**SOUND OPERATOR:** Brad Gossman

**ROVING ELDER:** Larry Moes

**DEACON’S PRAYER:** Joe Jacobs

**COFFEE & COOKIE SERVERS:** Nick & Kelly-Sue Stone

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR TODAY**

**NURSERY CARE** is available during our morning worship service for newborns - 3 years of age. The nursery is located on the main floor in the east wing of the church at the end of the hallway.

**WORSHIP CENTER:** Children’s Church (**4 years old - 1<sup>st</sup> grade**) meets on the main floor in **Room 3**. Teachers will escort children there during the morning worship service (see order of worship).

**EDUCATION HOUR: 10:45 - 11:45 AM**

- **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CLASS** (2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade) meets on the main floor in **Room 4**.
- **MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASS** (6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade) meets in the basement in **Room 11**.
- **HIGH SCHOOL CATECHISM CLASS** (9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade) meets in the **old nursery** in the basement.
- **ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** meets in the **Fireside Room**.

**The nursery will be staffed and open during the  
Sunday School hour for newborns - 1<sup>st</sup> grade.**

## **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

**MEMBERSHIP NEWS:** At the Council meeting on Wednesday, February 19, the Elders and Deacons received the professing membership of Holly Zandstra from New Hope Christian Reformed Church in Lansing, Illinois. We welcome her into our church family! The Council also approved the request of Chrissa Marshall to transfer her membership to Covenant Reformed Church in Kansas City, Missouri. We pray that God will bless her in her new church home.

### **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK:**

Thea De Vries—2/23

Chris Porter—2/25

Sue Robertson—2/26

Gio Alvarado, Makayla Hoeksema—2/28

**EXPRESSION OF THANKS:** “We are deeply grateful for your congregation's generous support of ReFrame Ministries (formerly Back to God Ministries International) through Ministry Shares in 2024. Your faithful contributions and prayers have been instrumental in advancing the Gospel through media. Thank you for partnering with us to proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, disciple believers, and strengthen the church worldwide.” **-ReFrame Ministries**