# Morning Worship Service

**9:30 AM**

## The Beatitudes

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| **Prelude** | | |
| Welcome & Announcements | | |
| **The Living God Calls Us to Worship** | | Psalm 113:1-3 |
| **We Enter Into God's Presence** | | |
| In Song* | *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* | Hymn 103 |
| In Prayer* | | Prayer of Approach |
| **God Speaks to Us** | | |
| In Scripture | | Colossians 4:2-6 |
| **We Respond in Humility** | | Prayer to Confess Sin & |
| In Prayer | | Assurance of Pardon<br>Isaiah 53:4-6 |
| In Song* | *Master Speak, Thy Servant Heareth* | Trinity Psalter (vv. 1,2,4) |
| **God Feeds Us** | | |
| In Scripture | | Matthew 5:13 |
| In Sermon | THE SALT OF THE EARTH | |
| **We Respond in Commitment** | | Prayer of Application |
| In Song* | *Romans Doxology* | |
| In Giving | (a) General Fund & (b) Hurricane Relief | Tithes & Offering |
| In Prayer | | Congregational Prayer |
| **God Blesses Us** | | |
| Benediction | *Glory Be To God the Father* | Trinity Psalter 213 (v.1) |

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# Evening Worship Service

**5:30 PM**

## A Saint's Guide to Repentance

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| **Prelude** | | |
| Welcome & Announcements | | |
| **The Living God Summons Us** | | Psalm 98:4-6 |
| **We Enter Into God's Presence** | | |
| In Song* | *O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing* | Hymn 164 |
| In Prayer* | | Prayer of Approach |
| **God Welcomes Us** | | |
| In Scripture | | 2 Samuel 12:1-7a |
| **We Respond in Consecration** | | Prayer to Confess Sin & |
| In Prayer | | Assurance of Pardon<br>Matthew 11:28 |
| In Song* | *A Mighty Fortress* | |
| **God Feeds Us** | | |
| In Scripture | | Psalm 51 |
| In Sermon | A SAINT'S GUIDE TO REPENTANCE | Trent Hordyk |
| **We Respond in Commitment** | | Prayer of Application |
| In Song* | *Nearer, Still Nearer* | Trinity Psalter 531 |
| In Giving | (a) General Fund & (b) Hurricane Relief | Tithes & Offering |
| In Prayer | | Congregational Prayer |
| **God Blesses Us** | | |
| Benediction | *O Bless Our God with One Accord* | Hymn 400 (vv. 1&3) |

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# Birthdays and Offering Metrics

## Happy Birthday

### OCTOBER

02 – Wayne Broek
11 – Ryan Mulder
13 – Bruce Kuiper
14 – Becky Fullalove
16 – June Folkerts (3)
16 – Anna Lipsy (8)
17 – Caleb Neumair (7)
19 – Nella Kortman Niezink
23 – Ken Ambrose
25 – SanDee Smith
27 – Kay Kooy
29 – Larry Duthler
30 – Alan Chupp
30 – Bethany Davis
30 – Jerry Neumair
30 – Mary Nichols
30 – Glenn Niezink

### ANNIVERSARIES

20 – Tom & Mary Nichols (46)

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| General Fund | Last Week | $7,755 / $9,287 |
| | 3 Week Average | $11,469 / $9,287 |
| | YTD | $320,435 / $367,046 |
| 2024 Deficit Recovery | YTD Offering Deficit | -$46,611 |
| | YTD Savings on Expenses (thru Sept) | $31,051 |
| | **Adjusted YTD Deficit** | **-$15,560** |
| Deacons Fund | Current Balance | $14,932 / $15,000 |
| Last Week's Special Fund | Southeast Asia | $607 |
| **Mission 2024** Home/Foreign Missions Christian Ed | Tuition Assistance (Code: Tuition) | $19,245 / $18,000 |
| | Church Plant (Code: Plant) | $40,350 / $39,000 |

### 5 Ways to Give at Cedar Church

1. Give by offering plate
2. Give in-person in the foyer offering box.
3. Mail a check to: Cedar Church, 2025 Baldwin St., Jenison, MI 49428
4. Give online: www.cedarchurch.org/give
5. Give by text: Text 'amount code' to (616) 208-4889

(ex. text '50 general' to give $50 to the General Fund

**November Birthdays**

2 – Luke Mulder (16)
7 – Terry Holstege
7 – Kelsey Hunter
11 – Jill Kuikstra
11 – Cheryl McKenzie
12 – Rebecca VanDyke
14 – Hailey Fullalove (7)
15 – Ethan Hunter
16 – Kaiya Davison (3)
16 – Rebecca Lipsy (11)
17 – Micah Faber
18 – Vito Lomonaco
22 – Dick Cunningham
24 – Juanita Ruiz
25 – Lillian VandenBerg (9)
30 – Michelle Kuiper

**Anniversaries**

13 – Silas & Kibsy Faber (3)
23 – Steve & Lynn DeBoef (33)

**Shepherding Groups**

● **A-F** | Bob Dornbos ● **G-M** | Bill Huizinga & Justin Knot
● **N-Z** | Ken Folkerts & Jerry Berends



# Cedar Announcements

## Today

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| 9:30AM | In-Person & Online Worship Service |
| 10:45AM | Fellowship & Refreshments |
| 11:15AM | Adult and Children's Sunday School |
| 5:30PM | In-Person & Online Worship Service |

**Benevolent Offering Schedule**

Nov. 24 – Thank Offering

*For a complete calendar of events go to cedarchurch.org/calendar*

**Special Offering: Hurricane Relief Update (Helene & Milton) –** Today, Cedar Church will receive a special diaconal offering for the OPC hurricane relief fund. OPC Disaster Response is eager to come alongside our sister denominations in the south as they begin responding to the needs within their congregations and communities. You can learn more about OPC efforts: https://tinyurl.com/3c439t3n

**Fall Baptisms** – The Cedar elders are pleased to announce two very special adult baptisms this fall! Bruno Hamran will publicly profess his faith and be baptized in November, and Lily Maxfield will do so in December. Please praise the Lord with us! Soli Deo Gloria!

**OPC Thank Offering on November 24 –** November is Thank Offering Month in the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. This year's theme is "Rejoice in the Lord Always". We will receive the Thank Offering on Sunday, November 24, and celebrate OPC worldwide outreach all month long, Celebrating OPC Foreign Missions, Christian Education, and Home Missions.

**Ascension Church Worship Service** – Ascension has enjoyed gathering monthly over the summer to unify around a shared vision and mission. We invite you to come join us for worship on Sundays, at 4:30PM, and see what God is doing in the city of Grand Rapids.

**Three Score & More (60+)** – Our next gathering will be October 30 after our Wednesday morning Bible study. We will carpool from the church parking lot leaving approx. 11:30. We will fellowship at a restaurant for lunch, visit a few historic sites, and learn their importance in history from our historian Dave Broene. A signup sheet will be in the fellowship hall.

**General Fund Pledge Cards** – The finance committee presented briefly after last Sunday's morning worship and thanked the congregation for its recent robust giving. Currently all of our out of budget fund goals have been met and our attention is now turning to the General Fund. The General fund is behind but catching up, thanks to many generous givers and those helping to lower expenses this year. The finance committee is operating a pledge drive with the goal of raising funds ($25,000) to catch up the General Fund. Any gift is appreciated and both small and large gifts have always been a part of our ability to tackle large financial goals. Please fill out your pledge card today and turn it into the deacons. The Finance committee has paused taking offerings for partner ministries for this week and next while we work together on this pledge drive. If you have questions, talk to a member of the Finance committee.

# Announcements Cont'd

**Women2Women Monthly Gathering** – Join us the first Thursday of every month for a special women's gathering to discuss topics of interest from a Christ-centered perspective. There will be a time of devotion, discussion, and prayer to close. All are welcome! Date: November 7th @ 7pm Location: Berends home @ 926 Allen Springs Lane, Topic: Seasons of Womanhood

**Three Score & More (60+)** – We will have a Thanksgiving lunch November 13, after the Wednesday Morning Bible Studies, approx. 11:45-12. Turkey and cheesy potatoes will be provided and a sign up sheet will be available for you to choose the dish you will bring.

**Church Bulletin Update** – We have made a change to how our church bulletins are distributed. Instead of placing bulletins on the pews, they will now be handed out at the sanctuary entrance. For those who prefer to go digital, we will have QR codes available to access the bulletin directly on your smartphone. You'll also find QR codes for our digital connection cards/digital prayer requests, and I Can Help Survey, making it easier than ever to stay connected and share prayer needs. Scratch paper will be available for sermon note taking, or feel free to bring your own notebook. Thank you for helping us make this transition smoothly as we embrace both traditional and digital ways to stay informed and connected!

| **Volunteer Ministries** | **TODAY Oct. 27** | NEXT WEEK Nov. 3 |
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| **Hostess/Asst. Refreshments** | Vito & Barb Lomonaco<br>Kibsy Faber/Tracy Hansma<br>Linda Huizinga/Kelsey Hunter | Marla Broek/Mary Nichols<br>Lynn Igo/Dianna Johnson<br>Ethel Knierim/Jordan Knot |
| **Nursery AM**<br>**SS**<br>**PM** | Karen Williams/Abby Mulder<br>Cathy Maxfield<br>Joanna Lipsy/Anna Lipsy | Bethany Davis/Lillian VandenBerg<br>Lynn Igo<br>Jordan Knot/Emily Gardner |

| **Youth Group Scoop** | YOUTH EVENTS<br>• Youth Group next week, 6:45PM<br>• November Events: Sat. 9th – 1PM Raking Leaves<br>Fri. 15th – 6:30PM Karaoke & Praise and Worship<br><br>Leaders: Cassidy Baker, Jenny den Hollander, Chris Neumair, & Pastor Jerry Neumair<br>Location: Youth Room (basement) |
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# Letter to the Congregation Regarding the Cedar Tuition Assistance Fund

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Dear Brother and Sisters of Cedar OPC,

First of all, we thank God for his provision and blessings that have funded the Christian Education Tuition Fund up to this point. The Deacons are excited to be able to support Christian education and its vital role in the upbringing of our children in Christ.

Second, we would like to provide clarity on the adjustment of the goal for this fund from the original $30,000 to the current $18,000. Due to the change in the number of eligible children in the congregation, this fund was adjusted so that all eligible families would be able to receive basic funding if requested. The Deacons worked with the finance committee to make this adjustment while attempting to remain faithful to the original intent of the Christian Education Fund.

The funds that have been raised thus far will be available to disperse for the school year of 2025-2026, and the Deacons refer you to the attached document detailing timelines, application processes, and approval procedures for further details. This is the same document that was voted on and approved by the congregation during the congregational meeting on February 5, 2024.

We pray that this initiative is uplifting to the parents of Cedar in their desire to raise their children in the ways of the Lord.

If you have any further questions or concerns regarding the Tuition Assistance Fund, please reach out to any of the Deacons.

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In Christ,

The Deacons of Cedar OPC

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