

Manhattan

CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH



SHARING
HOPE
AND
belonging
IN CHRIST

Welcome

— AUGUST 17, 2025 —

AM WORSHIP

10:00 AM

A Time of Worship Preparation

Gratitude

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Words of Welcome

Announcements

*Call to Worship

*God Greet His People

*We Greet One Another

WE GIVE GOD OUR PRAISE

*10,000 Reasons *LUYH #559:1-3*

*Build My Life

WE OFFER PRAYERS & GIFTS

Sos & Kara Maletougou Update

Morning Prayer

Offering - Special Missions

General Fund

Amazing Grace LUYH #691:1,3,4,5

(Tot Church dismissed for ages 3-5)

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

Text: Various Selected

Message: **The Joy Of Belonging!**

Prayer

WE CONCLUDE IN PRAISE

Office Bearers Selection

*God Blesses His People as They Depart

*Benediction

Postlude

**please stand if you are able*

Tim Kuperus

preaching

Deb Smit

keys

Maddie Visser

keys

Ben Smit

musicians

PM WORSHIP

6:00 PM

A Time of Worship Preparation

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

*God Greet His People

*We Greet One Another

GIVE GOD OUR PRAISE

*Love Divine *LUYH #351:1,3,4*

*Fill Thou My Life O Lord My God

LUYH #356:1-3

WE OFFER PRAYERS & GIFTS

Lord, Listen to Your Children LUYH #896

Evening Prayer

Lord, Listen to Your Children LUYH #896

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

Text: Matthew 14:1-21

Message:

Prayer

WE CONCLUDE IN PRAISE

*God Blesses His People as They Depart

*Guide Me O My Great Redeemer

LUYH #43:1-3

Postlude

**please stand if you are able*

Tim Kuperus

preaching

Kathryn Chausse'

keys

SERVING THIS WEEK

AUGUST 17

AM NURSERY

Ren Braaksma, Sharon Kamp,
Lucca Triemstra (alt.) Doug Braaksma

TOT CHURCH

Kendra Heidema, Allie Heidema,
Teagan Flikkema (sub.) Lisa Heidema

USHERS

Mel Dyk, Isaac Van Dyken

GREETERS

Tim & Jana Van Dam
Rod & Libby Triemstra

COFFEE SERVERS

No Coffee

COOKIES (4 dz)

No Cookies

LIBRARY

Erika Van Dyk, Rose Brouwer

WORSHIP AT CRH

Walt Sales

SERVING NEXT WEEK

AUGUST 24

AM NURSERY

Jean Selles, Brittany Braaksma,
Danica Leep (alt.) Leanne Moss

TOT CHURCH

No Tot Church

USHERS

Rob Braaksma

GREETERS

Shad & Crystal Van Dyken
Randy & Melissa Visser

COFFEE SERVERS

Mel & Carla Dyk
Doug & Ren Braaksma

COOKIES (4 dz)

Cassie Brush, Carla Dyk, Ren Braaksma

LIBRARY

Lisa Heidema, Bonnie Van Dyke

WORSHIP AT CRH

Dylan Van Gelder

PRAYER REQUESTS

AUGUST 17, 2025

CHURCH FAMILY

Pray for **Bob and Judy Poelman** as Bob's sister-in-law, **Jennifer**, passed away recently. May God give His peace and comfort to the whole family. Her service was held last week.

Please pray for **Les Ypma** who is dealing with a fracture in his back. He had a meeting with the spine doctor recently and they have decided to treat the L1 fracture with rest and a back brace. He is thankful that he will not need surgery. Pray for patience for both Les and Donna as they wait for healing to take place. They appreciate the prayers!

Please keep **Rob and Julie Hager and family** in your prayers as Rob continues to decline with the effects of Huntington's disease. Please pray for God's peace, strength, and the ability to praise and glorify him through these hard days. They are very grateful for all of your thoughts and prayers.

Jake, Jackie, James, Nadine, and Noah Van Dam have arrived in Saipan, and they are settling in. Pray for them as they adjust to their new life there.

Keep **Pastor Tim and Heidi** in your prayers as they minister with us.

Pray for our **council members**.

Keep **Josh and Lacey** and their young family in your prayers as they minister to us and to our youth.

Pray for our **college students and our day school children** as they are getting ready for a new school year. Pray for our **teachers, administrators, and parents** as well.

Please pray for our **church family and community** as many are grieving the passing of close family members and friends recently. Pray for comfort, strength, and peace for all.

Patti Herbrandson is living at the Springs in Bozeman. Patti has been out of bed recently and doing fairly well. She is grateful for prayers.

Pray for our part-time staff: **Kathy Eekhoff, Lisa Heidema, Bob Poelman, and Jim & Bonnie Potts**.

Pray for the **senior saints of our church**. Sometimes they struggle with pain. At other times, with discouragement. They may also deal with unknown medical issues. At other times, they wonder what medical treatment they should pursue. Pray that God will give them peace and wisdom during these times.

Pray for **expectant moms and dads**. Pray for healthy babies and moms as they await their precious little ones. Thanking the Lord for His constant care of the little ones who have been born.

Pray for **our military and their families**. Pray for courage and safety for them. Pray that they will know how grateful we are for their service and sacrifice for us.

Remember to pray for all of our church members in the personal care wing of the Churchill Retirement Home: **John Cok, Ethel Dykstra, Edith Vander Molen, Rob Hager, and Hermina Visser**. Others from our church live in independent rooms there. **Pete Kimm and John Kamps** are living at Park Haven in Manhattan.

EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY & COMMUNITY

Pray for **Ed Spoelstra's family and friends** as Ed passed away recently in Minnesota. Ed was almost 90 years old. His memorial service will be held in our church this week Friday, August 22, at 10:30 am. Ed lived in Montana for many years, and his father was a pastor in our church some years ago.

Please pray for **Shirah Luther**, granddaughter of Patrick and Holly, as she heals from an infection. She is receiving antibiotics at home. Pray that a procedure she had will be successful and that her kidney will be protected.

Please continue to pray for **Wes and Brenda Asher's family** as Wes's dad passed away recently. Pray for comfort and peace for his family. A graveside service was held last Friday.

Connie Hahn's father has good days and not such good days. He really wants to stay in his home but Connie's stepmom is no longer able to care for him, due to advancing Alzheimer's. They are looking for a good option for care. They are thankful for our prayers!

Pray for **Halane Van Dyken** as she continues to receive treatments. Pray that the Lord will give continued strength and peace to Halane and family.

Keep **Joyce and Clary Flikkema** in your prayers. Pray for strength and courage for each day. They praise God for His constant love and care. Clary had a procedure this week to place a stint in his liver. Pray that he may be feeling better again soon. Also pray for Clary's brother, **Ted Flikkema**, who sustained a broken collarbone and several cracked ribs last week in a 4-wheeler crash. Pray for patience for Ted and Tami as he heals.

Carla Walhof, the wife of Corwin Walhof, and a 1st grade teacher at Manhattan Christian School, has been dealing with a leukemia diagnosis. Praise God that a donor has been found. It will still be a lengthy process until the transplant takes place. Please pray for Carla, Corwin, their children, and their extended family and friends. May the Lord wrap His arms around them and give them peace and strength.

SUPPORTED MISSIONARIES & THE GLOBAL CHURCH

Pray for **Sosthene and Kara Maletoungou and family** as they are on a 10-week home assignment. Please pray for good rest and meaningful connections with supporters in the coming weeks.

Pray for **Melissa Bos** and family as Melissa works in Grand Rapids, MI. serving as the Missionary in Residence at Calvin Theological Seminary. Continue to pray for them as they make cultural, career, and community adjustments. Give thanks for God's provision for all of their needs.

DO YOU HAVE AN UPDATE FOR THE PRAYER LIST?

If you have an update for the prayer list, please call the office at 406-282-7442, call or text Kathy (406-580-1835), or contact your Life Group elder.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERED TOGETHER FOR WORSHIP

Praise the Lord.

Praise God in his sanctuary;

Praise him in his mighty heavens.

**Let everything that has breath
praise the Lord.**

Praise the Lord. (Psalm 150:1,5)

We gather together to do just that!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

New office bearers will be selected by lot this morning to select 4 elders and 3 deacons. After the morning service we will be voting on the budget.

COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

The following men have been nominated to serve on our church council:

Elders: Rick Braaksma, Darrel Flikkema, Leland Heidema, Ben Leep, Earl Miest, Jim Potts, Randy Van Dyk, Shad Van Dyken, Randy Visser.

Deacons: Jon Chausse', Cale Howells, Mike Kamp, Jake Liudahl, Nate Te Slaa.

SUMMER OUTDOOR SERVICES

There will be one more outside morning service. Weather permitting, it will be next Sunday, August 24.

All evening services will be held outside, weather permitting. Please feel free to bring your own chairs.

CONGREGATIONAL POTLUCK

Please join us for a potluck directly after the morning service in the park. All are welcome. Please bring one hot dish and one cold dish per family or either one for a single. Plates, silverware and drinks will be provided. Bring your own lawn chairs. Thank you.

ELDERS' MEETING

The elders are scheduled to meet on Tuesday, August 19, at 7:00 p.m.

PASTOR TIM AND HEIDI

will be traveling to British Columbia this Thursday to participate in and celebrate the marriage of a family friend. They will return on Monday, August 25. In his absence, Pastor Josh will lead next Sunday's AM service, and Pastor Reuben Sinnema will lead the PM service. Please reach out to your LiFE Group elder if you have any needs.

BELLTOWER

The digital edition of the August Belltower is now available. As always, there will be a limited number of printed copies available in the racks near the mailboxes.

JULY GIVING TOTALS

General Fund	\$36,070
Capital Improvement Fund	\$3,816
Special Missions	\$2,587
Denominational Ministry Share	\$50
Love Fund	\$1,400
ZoeCare	\$100
SERVE	\$3,159

WORSHIP COORDINATOR POSITION

Our current Worship Coordinator and her family have moved to Saipan. With her departure there will be a large hole to fill at MCRC. Do you have the gifts and interest to do this work? Are you curious how God might be calling you to be part of the ministry at MCRC in this way? Maybe there is a part of this ministry that interests you and you would be willing to share in this with others. If you would like to check it out, go to the church website, or stop in the office for a job description. If you have questions or would like more info, please talk with Kathy Eekhoff.

MAINTENANCE POSITION

We are looking for a part-time maintenance person at Manhattan CRC. This position involves outside maintenance (lawn care and snow removal) and inside (overseeing maintenance and repairs). This person would also be responsible to open, walk through, and lock the church each day. Please contact Hank Eekhoff (406-580-2735) for information or questions.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The memorial service for Ed Spoelstra will be held in our church this week Friday, August 22, at 10:30 am.

YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE STUDY

The Young Adult's Bible Study are currently studying from the book by Kevin DeYoung, "Just Do Something". Our next meeting is Wednesday, August 20, from 7-9 p.m. We'd love to have you join us!

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THRIVE FAITH FORMATION TIP

As another school year approaches, spend some time in prayer for teachers, administrators, and students from preschool through graduate school. Pray that students may turn their ears to wisdom, apply their hearts to understanding, and find the knowledge of God (Prov. 2:2,5). Pray that administrators and teachers may model God's wisdom, love, and compassion as they support and instruct students.

MANHATTAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

The first day of school is Wednesday, August 27. Convocation is at 11:30. Everyone is invited to attend.

CHURCHILL RETIREMENT HOME

We are hiring!! We are searching for compassionate caregivers to join our assisted living team. Stop by or call the office if you are interested in a part-time or full-time position.

CRH could use your support at their BINGO FUNDRAISER on Saturday, August 23. For more information, if you want tickets, or if you are interested in sponsoring a silent auction item, please contact Deborah Westa 540-419-8462 or Alysha Ruffatto 406-224-3236.

GALLATIN VALLEY RIGHT TO LIFE

September 13 (Saturday) - Belgrade Fall Festival. Join us at the Belgrade Fall Festival by serving as a coordinator or volunteer. This is a great chance to engage with locals, share resources, and provide encouragement for life-affirming choices.

October 5 (Sunday) - Life Chain
Life Chain is a powerful, peaceful public witness for life. We need a coordinator and volunteers to organize and participate in this event, standing together to uphold the dignity of every human life

GVRTL Board Positions
Ongoing Volunteer Positions at GVRTL include numerous meaningful opportunities. We are currently seeking dedicated individuals to join the GVRTL Board as well as volunteers to support our various initiatives.

If you are interested in helping with any of these events, in any way, please contact us. Thanks!

THIS WEEK

TODAY

- 10:00 AM Worship Service
- Missionaries Sos & Kara
 - Maletoungou Visit & Share
 - Selection of Office Bearers
 - Congregational Meeting
- 11:30 AM Potluck in the Park
- 6:00 PM Worship Service
- Outside, weather permitting

TUESDAY

7:00 PM Elders' Meeting

WEDNESDAY

7-9:00 PM Young Adult Bible Study

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY

- 10:00 AM Worship Service
- Outside weather permitting
 - Josh Sinnema Leads
- 6:00 PM Worship Service
- Outside, weather permitting
 - Reuben Sinnema Leads

LOOKING AHEAD

August 31 LOVE INC Baby Care Products Collection

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TODAY'S OFFERING

SPECIAL MISSION

These offerings go for the support of all of the missionaries supported by our church both here at home and abroad: Lauren & Connie Runia, Daryl & Carol Van Dyken, Melissa Bos, Sosthene & Kara Maletoungou, Mark Eekhoff, Kurtis Schutter, Randy Jones, Megan Radoslovich, Matt and Missy Kamps, and Matt Kirby.

UPCOMING OFFERINGS

August 24 Denominational Ministry Shares
General Fund

August 31 World Renew
General Fund

OUR GIVING

General Fund Approved Budget	\$457,369
Received To Date	\$ 370,497
Capital Improvement Fund Approved Budget	\$ 75,000
Received to Date	\$ 29,254
Christian Education Fund Pledges	\$ 88,803
Received to Date	\$ 79,923
(fiscal year ends 8/31/25)	

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