

M Manhattan

CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH



SHARING
HOPE
AND
belonging
IN CHRIST

Welcome

— MARCH 22, 2026 —

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AM WORSHIP

10:00 AM

A Time of Worship Preparation

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

*Jesus Firm Foundation

Cadet Litany

*By Faith

WE OFFER PRAYERS AND GIFTS

Morning Prayer

Offering - Cadets

Offertory - All to Honor Jesus

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

Children's Message

(Tot Church Dismissed for ages 3-5)

Text: Various Selected

Message: **The Seven Churches Of
Revelation: Thyatira**

Prayer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me

WE CONCLUDE IN PRAISE

*God Blesses His People as They Depart

Postlude

**please stand if you are able*

Tim Kuperus

preaching

Kathryn Chausse'

piano

Beth Straatman

keys

Brook Leep, Lorna Skovly

praise team

Jake Luidahl, Mike Dyk,

musicians

PM WORSHIP

6:00 PM

A Time of Worship Preparation

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*Words of Welcome

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WE GIVE GOD OUR PRAISE

*I Know That My Redeemer Lives

LUYH #193:1,2,4,7

*I Will Sing of My Redeemer

CH #309:1,3,4

WE OFFER PRAYERS AND GIFTS

Evening Prayer

Spirit Divine Inspire Our Prayers

LUYH #617:1,2,3

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

Text: Matthew 19:13-30

Message: **The Book Of Matthew**

Prayer

WE CONCLUDE IN PRAISE

*God Blesses His People as They Depart

*By the Sea of Crystal *LUYH #489:1,2,3*

Postlude

**please stand if you are able*

Tim Kuperus

preaching

Vonnie Roller

organ

SERVING THIS WEEK

MARCH 22

AM NURSERY *(Located on the lower level for all children up to the age of 3.)*

Julie Hager, Brenda Asher, Derk Flikkema

TOT CHURCH

3's: Tami Sinnema, Dani Leep

4/5's: Sarah Van Gelder, Marlow Todd

USHERS

Cadets

GREETERS

Cadets

COFFEE SERVERS

David & Judy Douglas

Darren & Kaycie Braaksma

COOKIES (4 dz)

Judy Morgan, Judy Douglas,

Kaycie Braaksma

LIBRARY

Erika Van Dyk, Rose Brouwer

WORSHIP AT CRH

Rick Braaksma

SERVING NEXT WEEK

MARCH 29

AM NURSERY *(Located on the lower level for all children up to the age of 3.)*

Liz Bennett, Lorna Wyatt, Trevor Brouwer

TOT CHURCH

3's: Tami Sinnema, Dani Leep

4/5's: Sarah Van Gelder, Marlow Todd

USHERS

Brett Heidema, Ben Leep

GREETERS

Augustus & Shelby Baldwin

Jeff & Carly Bellach

COFFEE SERVERS

Karsen & Darby Kredit

Dallas & Lyndsey Van Gelder

COOKIES (4 dz)

Wes Wierda, Darby Kredit,

Lyndsey Van Gelder

LIBRARY

Bonnie Van Dyke, Lisa Heidema

WORSHIP AT CRH

Rich Dawe

CHURCH FAMILY

Cathy Dawe was admitted to the hospital last week with intense pain after her back surgery. It was determined that she had two cracks in her pelvis and surgery was required to repair those. She is now up and walking around some. Pray that Cathy will have pain relief, that she can gain some strength, and that she will begin to heal well. Pray for Rich too as he cares for her.

Rob and Julie Hager praise God that Rob was able to attend their daughter Heidi's wedding recently. (Feb 28). "God has blessed us abundantly. Please continue to pray for strength and peace as we walk this road with Huntington's Disease." Psalm 126:5

Bonnie Alberda has returned to their home in Churchill. She is very happy to be home. She is still non weight bearing on her leg. Continue to pray for patience for Bonnie, healing in her leg, and good therapy to help with that healing. We praise God for Bonnie's great attitude.

Diane Van Egmond had cervical spine fusion surgery on her neck in Phoenix recently. She is doing well. Continue to pray for patience as she needs to wear a neck brace for several weeks to aid in her healing. Pray for a complete recovery for Diane. Pray also for Bill as he cares for her.

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

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

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

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.

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

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

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.

Pray for our **council members**.

Pray for our **college students and our day school children** as they have returned to school. Pray for our **teachers, administrators, and parents** as well.

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.

EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY & COMMUNITY

Ron Van Dyke thanks everyone for your prayers and support. Praise God for his mercies!

Pray for **Halane Van Dyken** as she continues to receive treatment. She has encountered a couple of bumps in the road and new plans are being made for her treatment. Pray that the Lord will give continued strength and peace to Halane and family.

SUPPORTED MISSIONARIES & THE GLOBAL CHURCH

Pray for **Kurtis Schutter and family**. They are working with the Navigators in Des Moines, IA.

Pray for **Melissa Bos** and family as Melissa works in Grand Rapids, MI serving as the Missionary in Residence at Calvin Theological Seminary. Give thanks for God's provision for all of their needs. Pray for discernment for Jeff for his next place of employment.

Pray for **Lauren and Connie Runia** as they work with Wycliffe in many different areas of ministry.

Be in prayer for **Mark Eekhoff** and the continuing work of the Shepherd Project.

Pray for **Sosthene and Kara Maletoungou and family** and their work with the Christian schools in Africa along with the Teacher's Garden (Christian education resource center). Give thanks to God for sustained growth in the ministry of the Teachers' Garden. Pray for God's provision for the resources needed by the Teachers' Garden ministry to meet growing demands for teacher training. **Pray for a smooth transition for Sos and Kara and family as they will be moving to Cameroon in July.**

Pray for **Matt Kirby** as he leads Athletes in Action at MSU. Pray that he may be able to touch many lives with the love of Christ.

Pray for **Daryl and Carol Van Dyken** and for their work with TWR. They are living in Pennsylvania. Daryl is doing digital work with TWR.

Pray for **Katie** in the Middle East. Pray for a great experience for her.

Chaplain Randy Jones ask for prayer for the safety and well-being of our officers and that he would know how and when to minister to those who are in crisis with the compassion of Christ.

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

**Worship the LORD with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.**
(Psalm 100:2)

CADET SUNDAY

Today we celebrate with our Cadets and their counselors the ministry to young boys of our congregation and the community. The Cadets will be taking part in our morning service. Thank you to all the counselors and those who help each week volunteering their time to the Cadet program to make it such a success. Take a moment to thank a counselor and encourage a Cadet.

FELLOWSHIP

Coffee, punch, and cookies will be served after the morning service. Stay for a time to get to know each other!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School will not be meeting this Sunday, March 22 because of Spring Break. We will resume on March 29.

FOOD DRIVE

The deacons are holding our bi-monthly food drive for the Headwaters Area Food Bank. Drop off non-perishable foods in the south entryway by next Sunday, March 29. The deacons appreciate your participation with this!

MAINTENANCE POSITION

We are looking for a part-time maintenance person 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.

EASTER

Easter is just around the corner, Sunday, April 5. Come celebrate our risen Savior at the Easter Sunrise service starting at 7 am followed by a breakfast brunch of cinnamon rolls, sweet breads, fruit, and egg bakes. The Fellowship committee is looking for donations for some of these items. Please sign up on the sheets by the fellowship hall or in the back of church. Questions? Call Dinah: 413-222-9445. Thank you!

WORSHIP COORDINATOR POSITION

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.

MCS THEATER

Manhattan Christian School will be performing the musical, Annie, at 6:30 pm March 26 and 27, and also a matinee showing at 3:30 on Saturday, March 28. General admission is \$15; students \$10. Tickets will be sold at the door. Come support the MCS theater program and enjoy the show.

MCS TULIP MANIA & DUTCH SUPPER

Please join us on Friday, April 10. Dinner is from 4-7pm. Silent auction opens at 4pm and the live auction begins at 7pm. Zootopia 2 will be showing for free for kids during the live auction.

GROUNDWORK

The Daughters of Jerusalem and Jesus' Crucifixion - At the ninth Station of the Cross, Jesus gave a warning to women he called "Daughters of Jerusalem." Then comes the tenth Station of the Cross: Jesus' crucifixion. Join Groundwork as we study Jesus' words in Luke 23:26-38 and Matthew 27:39-43 and discuss his meaning, what he accomplished on the cross, and what it all means for our lives today. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com

THRIVE FAITH FORMATION TIP

This is the final week of Lent. Next week is Holy Week, during which Christians will mark the end of Jesus' journey to the cross. Those final hours of Jesus' life were extremely lonely, as Jesus was abandoned by family, friends, and even his heavenly Father. As Jesus' disciples today, we share in this suffering—but we are never alone. Colossians 3 describes the diverse community of believers, exhorting us to "bear with each other" as we support one another in faith. This week read and reflect on Colossians 3:11-14, and make time to connect with and encourage members of your church community. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

KIDS CORNER DEVOTIONS

The Not-So-Triumphal Entry - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "The Not-So-Triumphal Entry," at www.kidscorner.net. Ever wonder why Jesus chose to ride a donkey? By selecting a donkey, he declared that he was there to get to work—God's work—and he wasn't threatening anyone. Donkeys aren't flashy. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's Lent and Easter Collection.

TWICE TREASURED

Twice Treasured is **in need** of brown grocery bags. You can drop them off at the thrift store or at the MCS school office. Thanks!

DISASTER RESPONSE

As spring approaches, severe storms are already impacting North American communities, including the recent tornadoes in southwest Michigan. World Renew Disaster Response Services (DRS) is preparing to walk alongside communities in the weeks and months ahead as more storms are forecasted this season. You can share Christ's hope with vulnerable families by giving at worldrenew.net/springstorms, by calling 1-800-552-7972, or by mailing a check made out to World Renew, with "North American Disasters 2026" in the memo line, to: World Renew, 8970 Byron Commerce Dr SW, Byron Center, MI 49315.

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY TO DOUBLE YOUR GIFT TO RESONATE

From March 13 until April 30, your gift to Resonate's Where Most Needed fund will be matched by a generous group of donors, dollar for dollar, up to \$275,000! Take advantage of this opportunity and donate now, while your gift will go twice as far! www.resonateglobalmission.org/double

THE ANNUAL BANNER APPEAL

The 2026 funding drive for The Banner, the CRC's award-winning magazine, has started. The Banner is delivered free in print and online, and your giving to this annual donation appeal makes it possible. To help keep this community conversation going please give online now at: TheBanner.org/Give

THIS WEEK

TODAY

- 9:00 AM No Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship Service
- Cadet Sunday
- Tot Church
6:00 PM Worship Service
7:15 PM Combined High School
Youth Group

WEDNESDAY

- PM GEMS Mother/Daughter
7:00 PM Cadets
7:00 PM Junior High Youth Group

THURSDAY

- 1:30 PM Churchill Quilting Bee – Bethel

SATURDAY

- 8:00 AM Women's Retreat

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY

- 9:00 AM Sunday School - All Ages
10:00 AM Worship Service
- Food Drive Sunday
4:30 PM Koinania #3 Hinduism

LOOKING AHEAD

- April 3 - Good Friday
April 5 - Easter
May 3 - Teacher Appreciation Sunday
June 15-19 - Rainforest Falls VBS Bethel
CRC

TODAY'S OFFERING

CADETS

The Cadet boy's Club is helping boys to grow more Christlike in all areas of life and is for boys in the 3rd through 8th grade. It is part of Dynamic Youth Ministries headquartered in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

UPCOMING OFFERINGS

March 29 Bozeman Prison Ministries
General Fund

April 5 General Fund

April 12 Denominational Ministry
Shares

April 19 Special Missions

April 26 Love INC

OUR GIVING

General Fund Approved Budget	\$430,916
Received To Date	\$ 257,053
Capital Improvement Fund Approved Budget	\$ 75,000
Received to Date	\$ 35,505
Christian Education Fund Pledges	\$ 87,241
Received to Date	\$ 61,838

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WALK ON WATER

STEPPING OUT TO TRUST
OUR FAITHFUL GOD



GEMS Sunday

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