

WELCOME TO CEDAR CHURCH

We are glad you're here. As a church family, we're delighted you have joined us for worship today. Below you will find some information to help you during our Sunday Services. If you need any assistance, please ask one of our ushers for help.

WORSHIP SERVICES

Cedar Church strives to enjoy God through Spirit-empowered and Christ-centered worship. The Bible is sincerely loved, and we hope that you will find it opened up to you in a fresh and faithful manner each Sunday.

NURSERY

Childcare is available in the nursery, located west of the sanctuary, for children up to three years old. A Mother's Lounge, located directly across the hall, provides a quiet space for feeding, changing, and resting infants. A cry-room, equipped with a live stream, is available directly across from the nursery. Children are always welcome in the service.

COFFEE BREAK

After morning worship, please join us in the fellowship hall for coffee and refreshments.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Following snack time with parents in the Fellowship Hall, children from ages 2 through 6th grade have a short time of singing in the basement before they meet for Sunday School. Sunday School classes are available for all ages after morning worship.

Guests are especially welcome!

(Please see locations of individual classes within.)

HOW TO REACH US

FOR SPIRITUAL HELP

ELDERS@CEDARCHURCH.ORG

FOR PHYSICAL ASSISTANCE

DEACONS@CEDARCHURCH.ORG

FOR THE CHURCH OFFICE

616-669-9951 OR OFFICE@CEDARCHURCH.ORG

FOR ASSORTED NEEDS

(SCAN THE QR CODE HERE)



CEDAR CHURCH

ORTHODOX PRESBYTERIAN

MEETING AT

2025 Baldwin Street

Jenison, MI 49428

616-669-9151

www.cedarchurch.org

Morning Worship Service

9:30 AM

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

In Song* *Living For Jesus (with Cadets)* (vv. 1&3)

The Living God Calls Us to Worship Psalm 95:1-2

We Enter Into God's Presence

In Song* *Jesus Shall Reign* (vv. 1,2,3,5)

In Prayer* Prayer of Approach

God Speaks to Us

In Scripture Jeremiah 2:11-13

We Respond in Humility

In Prayer Prayer to Confess Sin & Assurance of Pardon
Romans 8:38-39

In Baptism Layla Clare Hamran

In Song* *Tis So Sweet to Trust In Jesus*

God Feeds Us

In Scripture Hebrews 13:5-6

In Sermon I WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU
Adrian Crum | Guest Preacher
Prayer of Application

We Respond in Commitment

In Song* *My Worth is Not in What I Own*
In Giving General Fund & Cadets Tithes & Offering
In Prayer Congregational Prayer

God Blesses Us

Benediction *By the Sea of Crystal* (v. 3)

* denotes standing

Evening Worship Service

5:30 PM

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

The Living God Summons Us Psalm 100:1-2

We Enter Into God's Presence

In Song* *Thine Be The Glory* Hymn 274 (vv. 1,2)

In Prayer* Prayer of Approach

God Welcomes Us

In Scripture Psalm 2

We Respond in Consecration

In Prayer Prayer to Confess Sin & Assurance of Pardon
1 John 1:9

In Song* *Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!* Hymn 498 (vv.1,2,3,4)

God Feeds Us

In Scripture Hebrews 1:1-4

In Sermon A BETTER CHRIST

Jacob Martin | Guest Preacher

We Respond in Commitment

In Song* *God of Grace and God of Glory* Hymn 307 (vv. 1,2,4)

In Giving General Fund & Cadets Tithes & Offering

In Prayer Congregational Prayer

God Blesses Us

Benediction Praise Him! Praise Him! Hymn 173 (vv. 1&3)

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Birthdays and Offering Metrics

Happy Birthday

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 2 – Henry den Hollander (11)
- 3 – Jon Mulder
- 5 – Jordan Knot
- 7 – Bob Dornbos
- 9 – Tracy Hansma
- 12 – Jackson den Hollander (14)
- 15 – Jim Friedrich
- 15 – Olive Neumair (15)
- 16 – Natalie Dykstra (15)
- 18 – Julie Davison
- 19 – Landen Smith
- 20 – Catelin Davis (10)
- 21 – Mathew Nichols III (15)
- 23 – Adam den Hollander (16)
- 27 – Ruby Mulder (10)
- 28 – Cal Ter Avest
- 29 – Jamison Simon (1)

ANNIVERSARIES

- 16 – Kevin & Cari Wiersema (38)
- 19 – Ron & Carolyn McKenzie (66)

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| General Fund | Last Week | \$3,800 / \$7,621 |
| | 3 Week Average | \$5,120 / \$7,621 |
| | YTD | \$106,882 / \$112,289 |
| Deacons Fund | Current Balance | \$13,738 / \$15,000 |
| Last Week's Special Fund | None | \$0 |
| Ascension General Fund | Last Week | \$1,516 |
| | 3 Week Average | \$1,018 |
| | YTD | \$25,057.10 |

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)

Cedar Announcements

TODAY

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

Benevolent Offering Schedule April 26 – Deacons' Fund

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

Special Offering April 19 | Cadet Sunday

– Cedar Cadets will take part in the worship service and time will be devoted to praying for the Cadet Ministry. The Benevolent Offering will be received during both services for our Cadets. The Calvinist Cadet Corps is a non-denominational youth ministry organization that provides churches with ministry programs that will enable them to effectively share Christ's love with boys in their church and community.

Baptism – Cedar session is pleased to announce that Layla Clare Hamran will be baptized this morning.

Abundance Table – During April, we'll

feature spring and summer items including sports equipment (baseball, golf, fishing, soccer) and gardening tools or décor. Feel free to bring items to share or take what you can use!



Meals for the Loerop Family – We are coordinating freezer meals for the Loerop family, who live in Lowell. Meals can be placed in the basement freezer at Cedar. Please sign up on the "Take Them A Meal" online meal calendar and follow posted instructions. Thank you so much!

WomentoWomen – There will be no meeting during the month of April. We will resume on Thursday, May 14. More details to come.

Cedar Blood Drive – Monday, April 20 | 3:00–8:00 PM – We have been given 30 appointment slots and need to fill them in order to collect 22 units of blood. Right now, only a few spots have been claimed. We understand there are many reasons people may hesitate, but we encourage you to reconsider if you're able. Just one hour of your time can help save up to three lives. At our last drive, Pastor Jonathon Loerop donated for the first time—and not long after, he himself needed blood following an accident. His story is a powerful reminder of how important it is to have blood available when it's needed most. Please consider signing up and helping us fill every spot.

Three Score & More Event – Dr. Deb Sims will be speaking on the topic of abuse on Thursday, April 23 at 7:00 PM. This event is open to the public; however, she has requested that no children be in attendance. This will be a valuable and informative presentation—please consider joining us.

Three Score and More – Join us on Thursday, May 7, 11:30AM at Evergreen Commons for a lunch featuring Dutch cuisine and live Dutch dancing during the meal. Tickets are \$26. Sign-up sheets are available in the fellowship hall. Please reserve your spot and submit payment to Lois by April 19.

Three Score and More – Join us on May 30 for a trip to Master Arts Theater to see *The Things We Couldn't Say* by Diet Eman. We have 25 seats reserved at a reduced rate of \$18, but they will only be held until May 10. Please sign up and pay Lois by that date to secure your seat. Feel free to invite a friend! The sign-up sheet is available in the fellowship hall.

Announcements Cont'd

4-Week Outreach Invitation – Cedar Church and Ascension Church invite you to join a simple, meaningful outreach leading up to Mother’s Day—celebrating Cedar’s Mother-Daughter planting relationship with Ascension church, Saturdays | 10:00–11:00 AM April 18, 25 • May 2, 9 (ending the Saturday before Mother’s Day) Ascension’s Location: 1110 Wealthy Street SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Take one hour over the next four Saturdays to help by going out in pairs to nearby streets in the neighborhood where Ascension Church meets, placing sticky-note invites on doors. Just one hour each week—come be part of what God is growing. “As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you.” — Isaiah 66:13

Let’s all visit Ascension Church – Cedar Church would like to encourage every member to visit our mission work, Ascension Church, at least 2x during 2026! An in-person visit will help you see with your own eyes what the Lord is doing in Uptown Grand Rapids. It will also help you invite others to check out our new mission work as you can give a first-hand testimonial about what the Lord is doing there. Finally, it will encourage the planter and participants. Please use the QR code in the foyer to sign up or sign up using this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054DA9A72AAFFC43-63530151-worship#/> Ascension Church worships at 1110 Wealthy Street SE in Grand Rapids. You can learn more at www.ascensionchurchgr.org.

Ascension Church Update –Ascension Church continues to grow steadily as a young church plant supported by Cedar. This is a critical season in its development, and your encouragement and involvement matter. Would you prayerfully consider how you can help?

- Share about Ascension church with friends and family
- Commit to pray for the church and Pastor Jacey Davison
- Sign up to visit and encourage the congregation

A signup sheet is available at the back of the church. God is doing meaningful work through Ascension with potential eternal impact. Thank you for continuing to support this important ministry. If you’d like to learn more or get involved, please contact a Cedar elder or Pastor Jacey Davison. In Christ, Cedar Elders

Volunteers

| Volunteer Ministries | TODAY April 19 | NEXT WEEK April 26 |
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| Hostess/Asst. Refreshments | David & Rebecca VanDyke Cathy Maxfield/Kim Mulder Barb Neumair/Stacy Nichols Nella Kortman Niezink | David & Rebecca VanDyke Daniela Reitsma/Kibsy Reitsma Juanita Ruiz/SanDee Smith Cathy Ter Avest |
| Nursery AM SS PM | Lydia DeBoef/Hailey Fullalove Cathy Maxfield Jordan Knot/Abby Mulder | Joanna Lipsy/Catelin Davis Rebecca VanDyke Jennie Mulder/Eden Mulder |
| Audio/Visual | Luke Mulder Miles Smith Joshua Lipsy | Bryon Davis Craig Baker Andrew Davis |

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| Youth Group Scoop | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Group next week, 6:45PM-8:30PM (every 2nd & 4th Sunday) <hr/> <p><i>Leaders: Jenny den Hollander, Dan Lipsy, Chris Neumair, & Stacy Nichols - Location: Youth Room (basement)</i></p> |
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Sunday Learning Opportunities for All Ages

April 12 Spring 2026 Sunday School | 11:15-12:15

CHILDRENS' SUNDAY SCHOOL

- **Pre K, K, 1st Grade:** *K: K: Jesus Is The Savior* (meeting in the room downstairs at base of west staircase)
- **2nd, 3rd & 4th Grade:** *Telling Others* (meeting in the 2nd room on the right at base of west staircase)
- **5th & 6th Grade:** *1 Samuel to Esther* (meeting upstairs in west extension, east room)
- **7th & 8th Grade:** *Judges to 1 Kings* (meeting upstairs in west extension, west room)
- **9th-12th Grade (High School)** *So What Series: Worshipping God* (Youth Room)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

- ***Prizing Public Worship*** – Public worship has fallen on hard times. In our individualized age, there is little we value doing communally, especially when there is an alternative that can be tailor-fit for our personal wants and preferences. Thankfully, David Clarkson helps us understand the superior privilege of public worship and the responsibilities believers have as they engage in it. He compellingly argues that the glory of God demands the corporate worship of His people. Moreover, public worship is not simply something we should do; it is something we should love. Read this book and learn to prize the ordinary means of grace as God's precious gifts to His people. Led by Ken Folkerts (Sanctuary)
- ***What Does It Mean To Profess My Faith?*** A class for Cedar youth who would like to know more about taking Cedar's five membership vows. Those younger than middle school should have one parent attend. Led by Pastor Jerry Neumair (Upstairs Conference Room)
- ***Various Subjects from the Westminster Confession*** – The Westminster Catechisms (Shorter and Larger) comprehensively address various subjects within Christian theology, particularly from a Reformed perspective. Led by our Elders (West Wing)

SUNDAY EVENING

- Sunday Night Youth Group –6:45PM – 8:30PM (every second and fourth Sunday) right after evening worship. Youth Leaders: Jenny den Hollander, Dan Lipsy, Chris Neumair, Pastor Jerry Neumair, & Stacy Nichols /Location: Youth Room

Wednesday AM Bible Studies

April 15 Spring 2026 Midweek Bible Studies are held every Wednesday at 9:30 AM.

- **Women's Morning Bible Study:** Women's Bible Study – Our next study will focus on "Praise" from the book of Psalms. Please bring your favorite Bible translation. All ages are welcome; no nursery is available. (Fellowship Room)
- **Men's Morning Bible Study:** Wednesday morning Men's study: A study in Isaiah (Life Change Series) Leader, Mick Knierim. (Foyer)

Wednesday PM Learning Opportunities for All Ages!

The midweek meal will begin at 5:45 PM | PM Ministries | 6:30 PM

- **Midweek Meal** – Join us at 5:45 PM every Wednesday for a hot meal and time of fellowship in the fellowship hall.
- **Grief-Share Support Group** – Stuck in grief after the death of a loved one? Grief Share can help you mourn while finding comfort and renewed hope for the future. This support group features Christ-centered teaching along with DVD stories of real-life people who have found that the Lord is near the brokenhearted. Class begins at 6:30 PM after our church dinner. Please consider inviting a grieving friend and pray for God's peace for those who attend. Leader Jerry Neumair. (Upstairs Conference Room)
- **Faith On Trial – Psalm 73** by Martin Lloyd-Jones. Why do good people suffer unjustly – and yet others get away with it? The Psalmist, Asaph, dealt with this very problem in Psalm 73 – one that has often perplexed and discouraged God's people. Asaph reveals his own 'no-holds-barred' feelings and leads us step by step from near – despair to final assurance. For this reason, it has always appealed to preachers and counsellors. An excellent book for those struggling with, or wondering about, injustice in the world. Led by Ken Folkerts (Youth Room)
- **Catechism Club** – Children from age 3 to grade 2 - Using accounts from the Bible of God's work in the world to help the children understand God's character and abstract theological truths. There will be games, songs, Bible memory, catechism memory and Bible stories. (Led by Joanna Lipsy (Main room in basement.)
- **Girls' Club** – Girls' Club is a class for girls in grades 3-12 where we strive to love each other, learn about the love of God, and craft together. This year our older ladies (grades 6-12) will be learning a little about purity and how to study the Bible. Our younger ladies (grades 3-5) will be learning psalms and parables. We deepen our relationships with crafts, lessons, field trips, game nights, and tea parties. Led by Beka Mulder (Lower West Wing)
- **Boys' Cadets** – Cadets is a youth ministry for boys (grade 3 and up). Cadets help boys to grow more Christ-like in all areas of life. Cadets do this by Discovering God's Word through Bible lessons, learning new skills, and exploring the world around us. The Cadets accomplish this by earning merit badges, campouts, and hands on learning. At Cedar Church any boy who is entering the third grade is welcome to join and can continue in the Cadet program indefinitely if they choose. Led by Jon Mulder (Location: West Wing Upstairs)

Ministry of the Month | April | Youth Group

Long-Term Vision: We are seeking God's direction to cultivate a "long-term" purpose for Cedar's youth. Our goal is to develop vibrant Christian leaders among our students and their peers.

- **Leadership Transition & Structure:** As Pastor Jerry takes a step back, we are praying for discernment. We are working to establish more formal roles and responsibilities for our current volunteers to ensure a healthy, sustainable leadership team.
- **Curriculum & Resource Stewardship:** We need wisdom in selecting resources that meet students "where they are." Given that many students have already attended two services by Sunday evening, we are balancing our limited time to prioritize engagement over lectures.

Our Current Sunday Evening Flow:

- **Dinner (20–30 mins):** Fellowship and refueling.
- **Discussion & Study (20 mins):** Focused, impactful teaching, activities and discussions.
- **Games & Connection (30 mins):** Building intentional relationships.
- **Wrap-up & Clean-up (10 mins)**

Ultimately, our heart is to build deep, lasting relationships with the students at Cedar. Thank you for partnering with us in prayer and helping our team as we look to better serve the students at Cedar.