

## This Week

**Tues.**      **Men's Bible Study**

**Weds.**      **Ladies Aid 2 pm** (Lesson 10)  
**GEMS 6:30 pm**  
**JAM at Bunde CRC 7 pm**  
**Council 7:30 pm**

## Next Sunday

*8:45 AM – Sunday School*  
*10:00 AM Morning Worship*  
*5:30 PM Evening Worship*

**Offerings: AM – General      PM - General**

**Ministry Servers:** 1/7  
**AM Accompanist:** Tami Greenwaldt  
**PM Accompanist:** Cindy Ammermann  
**AM Power Point:** Ashley Roelofs  
**Sound:** Josh Bestge  
**AM Video:** Tyler Wubben  
**Nursery:** Luanne Groen, Blake Greenwaldt, Natasha Erickson  
**Library:** Jolene Bonnema & Char Sietsema  
**Ushers:** Wayne Tensen & Wayne Fragodt  
**AM Greeters:**      Glenn & Kary Brower (E)  
                                 Lucas & Laura Burgstahler (W)

## WE WORSHIP AND PRAISE OUR GOD

Welcome to our Worship Service at *Raymond Christian Reformed Church*.

We have the privilege of witnessing the *Profession of Faith*: Chloe Bendickson, Blake Greenwaldt, Alex Roelofs, Ethan Schultz, Gage TeBrake and Tyler Wubben.

We also have the privilege of witnessing the adult baptism of Ethan Daniel Schultz this morning.

*“Therefore, we are buried with Him in baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.”*

Anyone desiring spiritual counseling or experiencing a family crisis, please contact the Pastor or an Elder at any time.

There is a nursery in the West hallway with attendants present for childcare. Please sign in and out your child. If you are needed in the nursery, your child's number will appear on the power point screen.

**Offerings: AM – General      PM – General**

**Ministry Servers:** 12/31  
**AM Accompanist:** Cindy Ammermann  
**PM Accompanist:** Kendra Ahrenholz  
**AM Power Point:** Jolene Bonnema  
**Sound:** Micah Groen  
**AM Video:** Levi Post  
**Nursery:** Amanda Olson, Alex Roelofs, Morgan Taatjes  
**Library:** Marge Groen & Florence Visser  
**Ushers:** Cory Erickson & Ken Blom  
**AM Greeters:**      Randy & Barb Bonnema (E)  
                                 Wilma Boonstra (W)

## **WE CARE ABOUT OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

### **Prayers & Praises**

- Continuing health concerns & recovery: *Tim Stutelberg, Sharon Blom, Fred Grussing, Cindy Mithun, Camie Fernholz, George Parker, Randy Slagter, and Jeff Brown.*
- Our condolences to Marion Epema in the death of her Daughter-in-Law, Pat Epema from Jefferson City, MO. Pat lost her battle with cancer on Sat., Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Congratulations to Arie & Kathy Tensen on the birth of TWO Great-Grandson's:
  - ❖ Jett Orval Mulder was born on Sat., Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> to Trent & Cassie Mulder. He weighed 7 lbs., 15 oz., and 21 inches.
  - ❖ Lincoln Thomas Ruschen was born on Tues., Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> to Jeff & Shayla Ruschen. He weighed 6 lbs., 1 oz. and 19 inches.
- Congratulations to Gene & Edith Tensen on the birth of the Grandson, Harrison Gene Tensen who was born on Tues., Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> to Aaron & Sara Tensen. He weighed 8 lbs., 14 oz., and 22 inches. Great-Grandparents: Arie & Kathy Tensen.
- Prayer for our shut-ins, as well as others not mentioned in our church family who struggle with physical, mental, or spiritual needs.

### ***Raymond CRC Family Prayer List***

Vivian Blom  
Ben Bonnema  
Bennett & Deb Bonnema

Notes of encouragement, prayers, etc. for Pastor Aaron and Michelle Greydanus may be sent to 6344 Adam St., Zeeland, MI 49464.

Our Newly Elected Elders are: Tim Minter and Todd Post  
Our Newly Elected Deacons are: Clark Feikema and Adam Olson

**Installation Sunday will be January 7<sup>th</sup>.**

College-age students: Thought it would be fun to get together over Christmas break and catch up. You are invited to meet at Donner's in Clara City at 11:30 am for pizza on Thurs., Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> -Garrett

Thank you to those who spent one hour of their time helping to pack meals for the MACPAC program on Tuesday evening. There were 12 packers (adults & kids). Meals were packed for two weeks for 123 MACCRA Y students each week.

Lowell and Marcia Schwitters, along with their family, invite you to celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sun., Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 pm at Bunde CRC. No gifts please.

We would like to thank everyone for your prayers, visits and encouragement after Charlyn's stroke. We are blessed to be a part of this loving and caring church. Merle & Charlyn Sietsema

Driver improvement classes for seniors will be held on the following dates at RCW school:

8-hour first time class	4-hour refresher course
Fri., March 16th at 5:30pm	Sat., March 17th at 2 pm
Sat. March 17th at 9 am	

To enroll, contact Paul Knapper at 320-522-2575.

Unity CRC to host "The January Series" presented by Calvin College. This is a live simulcast. Each session is from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm. A light lunch will be provided after each session. Everyone is welcome! No RSVP needed. Brochures are available on the Narthex table.

Unity CRC to host a simulcast "Work as Worship", a 1-day local church retreat for Christian Business Owners, CEO's, Leaders who want their faith to impact their work. This event will be held on Fri., Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7:30 am- 2:30 pm. Tickets are \$25. Register at [www.workasworshipretreat.org](http://www.workasworshipretreat.org)

We are so thankful for the many ways you have blessed our family this Christmas with cards, gifts and treats. We really appreciate your love and kindness. Thank you for being a blessing in our lives!  
Garrett, Hollie, Kade, and Drew Hovland

The Juniors and Seniors of CMCS have begun their fundraising for their mission trip to New York in March where they will be the hands and feet of JESUS. The team will be serving at a soup kitchen, visiting hospitals, doing street witnessing and handing out toiletries and socks to the homeless among other activities. The students from our church are: Melanie Beerman, Ellie Greenwaldt, Andrew Roelofs and Isaiah TeBrake. Please be in prayer for these students as they prepare and fundraise for this Mission Trip.

The students are selling homemade bars and hot chocolate at CMCS home basketball games and will be serving the meal along with the Alumni Committee at the Alumni Night on Jan 5<sup>th</sup>. The Mission Team will receive any donations after the meal expenses are covered. The meal is Chick-fil-a sandwich, chips, soda and homemade bars. Join us from 5:00-7:00 pm for a delicious meal and support the Mission Team. Other fundraisers are in the planning stages. Thanks for your support!

## ***My Friends, May You Grow in Grace***

*(Will be sung in the Fellowship Hall following the Baptism)*

My friends, may you grow in grace  
And in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.

My friends, may you grow in grace  
And in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

To God be the glory, now and forever,  
Now and forever, amen.

To God be the glory, now and forever,  
Now and forever, amen.

## ***Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer***

Jesus, draw me ever nearer  
As I labor through the storm.  
You have called me to this passage,  
And I'll follow through I'm worn.

### Chorus:

May this journey bring a blessing;  
May I rise on wings of faith;  
And at the end of my heart's testing  
With your likeness let me wake.

Jesus, guide me through the tempest  
Keep my spirit staid and sure.  
When the midnight meets the morning,  
Let me love you even more.

Chorus

Let the treasurers of the trial  
Form within me as I go,  
And at the end of this long passage  
Let me leave them at your throne. Chorus