

**This Week**

- Tues. Men's Bible Study 6 am**
- Wed. GEMS 6:30 pm**  
**JAM Soup & Homemade Pie Supper**  
**Bunde CRC @ 5:00-7:30 pm**
- Sat. Library Board Meeting 10 am**

**Next Sunday:**

NO Sunday School  
10:00 am – **GEMS Sunday at Bunde CRC**  
5:30 pm Evening Small Group Bible Study

**3/24 Cookies: No Cookies Needed**

**Offerings: AM – GEMS Ministry**

**WE WORSHIP AND PRAISE OUR GOD**

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

Anyone desiring spiritual counseling or experiencing a family crisis, contact the Pastor or a visiting Elder (Doug E. and Merle S.) at any time.

A nursery is available 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.

**Evening Small Group Bible Study**  
*"Connected: My Life In The Church"*

Join us Tonight

5:00 pm – light supper

5:30 pm – gather for video and small group discussion time  
(Lesson 2)

All 4-12 year olds are welcomed in the Fellowship Hall for a **Children's Video and Activities** and **Nursery** will be provided for all infants – 3 years old.

**Offerings: AM – General**

**Ministry Servers:** 3/17

**AM Accompanist:** Cindy Ammermann

**AM Power Point:** Derrick Beerman

**Sound:** Adam Roelofs

**AM Video:** Alex Roelofs

**Nursery:** Amanda Olson, Austin Roelofs, Matthew Bestge

**Library:** Jolene Bonnema & Mavis Zimmer

**Ushers:** Wayne Tensen & Jon Setrum

**AM Greeters:** Ken Blom (E)

Bennett & Deb Bonnema (W)

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

### ***Prayers & Praises***

- Continuing health concerns & recovery: Lyla Thielen, *Tiena Zondervan, Reynold Roelofs, Beverly Carlson, Geneva Grussing, Calvin Marcus, Sharon Blom, Fred Grussing, and George Parker.*
- 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***

Gordon & Elaine Blom

Ken & Sharon Blom

Larry & Norma Blom

The Worship Committee seeks two (2) people to join our committee. Do you have a calling to help maintain and promote creative, Biblical and God-honoring worship in our church and within our members? If so, see Tim Minter or Pastor Aaron for more information.

### **JAM Soup & Homemade Pie Supper**

Wed., Mar. 20<sup>th</sup> from 5-7:30 pm  
at Bunde CRC

If you'd like to donate a homemade pie, contact

Heidi Meyer at 905-0787.

Free-Will donation supports JAM & Jr. JAM Ministries.

Attention Parents and Grandparents: You do not want to miss the opportunity to hear Chris McKenna from Protect Young Eyes that will be at CMCS on Mon., Mar. 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm in the Event Center. Even if your kids do not own a phone yet, they are still connected to technology. We must be proactive and informed as parents with the ever-changing technology that our kids have at their fingertips. In order to make this event even more accessible to parents, we are offering FREE childcare for 4k-5th grade students. This will be led by Miss Megan Rustad and a few junior high students. Please RSVP on our school's website [www.cmcschool.org](http://www.cmcschool.org). (link is on the bottom of the page).

**Safe Church Training:** Rock of Life CRC is inviting all who is involved in church council, leadership in Youth Programs (Youth Group, Children's Ministries, Sunday School, Nursery) and leadership in ministries for vulnerable adults to a half day Safe Church Training Seminar on Sat., Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup> from 8:30 am-12:00 pm. Speaker Kasey Baker from Safe Avenues will be giving the presentation "Hidden in Plain Sight: *The Realities of Domestic & Sexual Violence and the Impact on Children.*" The purpose of the seminar is to show us practical ways that we as a church can identify the signs and advocate for those who are victims of domestic violence and sexual abuse. Doors open at 8:00 am for coffee and donuts. If you are able to attend, RSVP by calling Renae at 235-3060 or email [willmarcrc@gmail.com](mailto:willmarcrc@gmail.com).

**Host Families Needed!** The CMCS Concert Band will be hosting and participating in a concert by the Rehoboth Christian Band from Rehoboth, NM on Tues., Mar. 26<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm in the high school gym. There are 66 students and chaperones who need a place to stay for the night before continuing their tour at 7:45 am the next day. If you have a spare room and are willing to host for the night of Tues., Mar. 26<sup>th</sup>, please email Devin Veenstra at [devinv@cmcschool.org](mailto:devinv@cmcschool.org).

The CMCS Drama Department invites you to take a trip back to 1965 and relive the old TV series "Get Smart." Witness Maxwell Smart, Agent 99, and the Chief as they take on the evil villain Mr. Big and his KOAS agents to keep them from taking over the world with the "Inthermo!" Performances are Thurs., Mar. 28<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm; Fri., Mar. 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm and for a Dinner Theater on Sat., Mar. 30<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. Tickets available by contacting the HS office starting Thurs., Mar. 7<sup>th</sup> at 978-8700.

**Fellowship Club** is planning a Bowling & Pizza night on Fri., Apr. 12<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at 6 pm at church and car pool to Alley on Ash in New London. The cost will be \$12.50 per person, which includes two games of bowling, shoes, pizza and pop. We plan to return to the church by 9 pm. RSVP by Wed., Apr. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Childcare Needed:** The Fellowship Club seeks the assistance of our congregation to help with childcare needs during their monthly gatherings. If you have a desire to serve our church and like to spend time with children, please check out the babysitting needs list on the Narthex table.

You are invited to a concert entitled, "Come to the Water" performed by the Rehoboth Christian High School Band. Rehoboth Christian School was founded in 1903 as a ministry to the Native American people. Come and worship with us at CMCS on Tues., Mar. 26<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm! We hope you will join us!"

**Join us for GEMS Sunday Morning Worship**

**Sun., Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> at Bunde CRC at 10:00 am**

Your GEMS girl should wear their GEMS shirts.

No Sunday School at Raymond CRC.

**Open House Bridal Shower** honoring Kendra Hjelle, bride-to-be of Ryan Wubben, to be held on Sat., Mar. 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. The couple is registered at Target and Amazon.

Please join us in celebrating Kaylee Fuglestad, daughter of Tom and Michele Fuglestad, the bride-to-be of Taylor Slagter, son of Aaron and Lisa Slagter. It will be held Sat., Mar. 30<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm at Roseland Reformed Church, multi-purpose room. The couple is registered at Target, Amazon, & Anthropologie.

**Open House Bridal Shower** honoring Megan Bulhuis, bride-to-be of Trevor Bartz, to be held Sat., Apr. 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. at First CRC Fellowship Hall. They are registered at Target and Amazon.

A sincere thank you to those who helped pack meals during the Food for Kidz packing event held on Wednesday at Raymond CRC. Approximately 150 people packed a total of 29,952 meals.

Thank you to all of those who remembered me on my birthday and also for all the prayers. I'm feeling much better. God Bless you All!  
Reynold Roelofs.

We wish to thank everyone for their loving support though my surgery. Your cards, prayers, and words of encouragement communicated God's love in many ways. We are thankful to God for all of you!  
Pastor Aaron and family

Thank you for all the cards and visits following the death of my daughter, Louann Freitag, who was the daughter to John and Selma Zondervan. Louann is survived by her husband, David, her daughter, Angel (Troy) Koltes of Breckenridge, four grandchildren and four brothers.  
Selma Hubers

Rock of Life CRC Monday Night Friendship will meet on Mon., Mar. 28<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. We will be covering Lesson 2. Please remember your Safe Church papers and we will have a short meeting following Friendship.

**Men's Lenten Breakfasts** will be Wednesdays, March 13<sup>th</sup> through April 17<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6:30 – 7:05 am at Bethany Reformed Church. Men and sons are invited to join us for pancakes, sausage and a brief message from area speakers. This year's theme is "Glory of the Cross".

**RESCHEDULED:** Classical Home Missions Committee Presents: *Becoming Effective Churches!* Is it possible to build a Biblically healthy, family-friendly church, attract the younger generation and still mobilize and inspire the older generation? Come to a seminar at **Bunde CRC on Sat., Mar. 30<sup>th</sup> from 9 am – 12:30 pm** to find out! All are invited. No registration necessary...just come.

Our missionaries, Anthony & Sara Sytsma, will be in the US this summer from mid-June through mid-October and will need a vehicle to use. If you can help or know of someone who can help, contact them at [ssytsma@world-renew.net](mailto:ssytsma@world-renew.net).

On April 4-6, 2019, Dordt College and the Andreas Center will host a conference titled "The Prodigal Love of God: Re-encountering Dordt at 400 and Beyond." We would love to offer a discounted group rate of only \$30 per attendee for churches who will be bringing 8 or more people. Just go to our registration page <https://prodigalloveofgodregistration.eventbrite.com> and enter in the Promotional Code: ChurchGroup. For more information on this event, visit our website at [www.theandreascenter.org](http://www.theandreascenter.org).

Unity CRC announces the ***Going Beyond Simulcast with Priscilla Shirer***, to be held on Sat., Apr. 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm. Along with Priscilla Shirer, one of today's top Bible teachers, Christian recording artist Anthony Evans will lead worship via simulcast. Wherever you are in your relationship with God, let's dig deeper and go beyond where we are! Bring your girlfriends, moms, sisters, next door neighbor, someone who needs to feel God's love! Spread the word!! **Registration is \$10; which includes lunch and snacks for the day plus a special booklet for the event! Come and enjoy a Spirit-filled day with us!! REGISTER at <https://unitycrgoingbeyond.eventbrite.com>**

**"Helping Hands" Project** (April 2019 Mississippi): A "Helping Hands" trip is being organized to the deep south over spring break. Junior and Senior HS students are invited to come along to lend a helping hand at the Cary Christian Center in Cary, MS. Will you join us? The Lord has blessed us GREATLY on previous trips!!! Please pray about it...and if the Lord is prompting you to join us, please sign up in the school office.

If you have questions, please contact Duane Bonnema at 320-212-9660 (cell) or 320-967-4472 (home); or Andy Ypma at 320-510-0142 (cell) or 320-978-6206 (home). The cost will be \$175 per student. If this cost places a burden on you, contact Duane or Andy.

Our group will be leaving Fri., Apr. 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 am and returning Sat., Apr. 20<sup>th</sup>. We need a couple more adult leaders, especially with skills in carpentry, shingling and home repair. If you know someone who is interested, contact Andy or Duane. We are also looking to borrow a van or suburban type vehicle. If you have one available, please let us know.

If you are unable to join us on this trip, but are willing to help, you can be a part of this ministry effort by praying for us. We need your prayers and we need God's guidance as we prepare to lend a helping hand to those in need.

*...This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth. – I John 3:16-18*