

This Week

- Tues. Men's Bible Study 6 am**
MACPAC Packing at MACCRAY West 5 pm
- Wed. JAM at Raymond CRC 7 pm**
Lunch: Alex & Austin R.
- Thurs. Maundy Thursday Service – Communion 7 pm**
- Fri. Community Good Friday Service at St. John's Lutheran Church 7 pm**

Next Sunday:

- 6:30 am – Community Sunrise Service at RCRC
10:00 am – Morning Worship Service
6:00 pm – Combined Easter Worship Celebration at First CRC

4/21 Cookies: No Cookies

Offerings: AM – General
PM – Midwest Flood Relief – World Renew – disaster Response Services

****Ministry Servers are noted on the back of your inserts.**

WE WORSHIP AND PRAISE OUR GOD

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

¹³They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, "HOSANNA! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the King of Israel!"

John 12:13

Anyone desiring spiritual counseling or experiencing a family crisis, contact the Pastor or a visiting Elder (Todd P. and Tim M.) at any time.

A nursery is available in the West hallway with attendants present for childcare.

Join us **TONIGHT** at 5:30 pm

Kurt Selles, the Director of Back to God Ministries International, will be bringing God's message and reporting on the ministry of BTGMI. We look forward to worshipping God and celebrating what God is doing through our partnership in this ministry.

Offerings: AM – General
PM – Back to God Ministries

Ministry Servers: 4/14

AM Accompanist: Tami Greenwaldt

PM Accompanist: Kendra Ahrenholz

AM & PM Power Point: Lexi Wubben

Sound: Clark Feikema

AM Video: Tyler Wubben

Nursery: Amanda Gerdes, Alex Roelofs, Isaac Asche

Library: Florence Visser & Char Sietsema

Ushers: Ardell Tensen & Tim Stutelberg

AM Greeters: Glenn & Kary Brower (E)
Wilma Boonstra (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

Mike & Jolene Bonnema

Randy & Barb Bonnema

Wilma Boonstra

Upcoming Easter Services:

Thurs., Apr. 18th – Maundy Thursday Service with Communion at 7 pm

*Fri., Apr. 19th – Community Good Friday Service at St. John's
Lutheran 7 pm*

Sun., Apr. 21st – Community Sunrise Service at RCRC at 6:30 am

Easter Morning Worship Service at 10 am.

Combined PM Worship Service at First CRC at 6 pm

Easter Flower Order Forms are due TODAY! Please complete and return with payment to Emily Setrum's mailbox.

Men's Lenten Breakfasts will be Wed., Apr. 17th from 6:30 – 7:05 am at Bethany Reformed Church. Men and sons are invited to join for pancakes, sausage and a brief message from an area speaker. The theme is "Glory of the Cross". Free-will donations will go toward the Clara City Ambulance.

Church Calls: Are you having problems with the church calling system? If so, contact Lora.

The Raymond Ambulance is having their Annual Flower Sale and orders are now being accepted. Please pick up an order form on the Narthex table and submit to Judy Heida by **Tues., Apr. 16th**. Flowers must be picked up on Wed., May 8th between 6:30-7:30 pm. - just in time for Mother's Day.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- **Cookies** for TONIGHT's Evening Combined Service with guest, Kurt Selles, Director of Back to God Ministries. Sign-up on the narthex table.
- **Childcare Needed:** The Fellowship Club seeks the assistance of our congregation to help with childcare needs during their monthly gatherings (2nd Friday of each month). If you have a desire to serve our church and like to spend time with children, please check out the childcare needs list on the Narthex table.

Upcoming CMCS Concerts:

Thurs., Apr. 25th – K-6 Spring Program at 7 pm in the HS Gym

Fri., Apr. 26th – Grandparent's Day at 10:30 am in the HS Gym

Tues., May 14th – Pops Concert at 7 pm in the HS Gym

May Sunshine Corner items will be due Weds., May 24th:

- ❖ Parents of soon-to-be High School and College graduates, please provide Lora with a picture of your graduate and short description their future plans.

The Rock of Life Friendship Bible study will meet on Mon., Apr. 15th at 7 pm. We will cover Lesson 4.

Do you want to maximize the impact of the resources God has entrusted to you? James Prichard, Christian attorney from Barnabas Foundation, will show you how. As a member of our congregation, a confidential will-planning consultation is offered to you at no charge and with no obligation. Jim will be meeting with Christian families in our area April 30 & May 1. Simply call Ann Zacek, at Barnabas Foundation, toll-free at 888-448-3040 (Ext. 121) to schedule your complimentary conversation with Jim. To help you get started, you may also request a free special resource titled "7 Reasons to Review Your Will" by simply sending an e-mail request with "7 Reasons Request" in the subject line to info@BarnabasFoundation.com.

Fellowship Club Bowling and Pizza night has been postponed to Fri., Apr. 26th. We will meet at 6 pm at church and car pool to Alley on Ash in New London. Please RSVP by Sun., Apr. 21st either on Facebook or on the narthex table.

Thank you for your support to Back to God Ministries

International - Thank you so much for your support for Back to God Ministries International. Thanks for partnering with us as we share the Gospel around the world. This year we celebrate 80 years of ministry—a ministry that began through partnerships with churches like yours. Although media technology has changed a lot since 1939, our Gospel message remains the same. We are still committed to our mission of proclaiming the Gospel, discipling people, and strengthening God's church.

In Haiti, the country is still undergoing political demonstrations that started in February. Our ministry staff remains safe and the mission work continues with Gospel messages broadcasted via radio. Now they are broadcasting *Choosing Good Leaders*, a radio program and Bible study series produced in partnership with the Timothy Leadership Training Institute. The program trains Christians on how to choose church leaders and the content is very relevant for the current political situation as well.

In West Africa, we collaborate with Words of Hope (Reformed Church in America), who works with minor language groups while we work in the French language. We partner with local leaders who share the Gospel on local radio stations. This allows local pastors to invite those who hear the message to come to their church to learn more about Jesus.

The work of Back to God Ministries International can be difficult in the face of violence and government regulations, but we continue to share the Good News and pray that the Holy Spirit works in the hearts of the people to who hear the messages. Please pray for our ministry leaders and thank you for your support!

Ministry Servers: 4/18 – Maundy Thursday

Accompanist: Cindy Ammermann

Power Point: Darci Post

Sound: Adam Roelofs

Video: Alex Roelofs

Nursery: Jessica Roelofs, Tyler Wubben, Ryan Erickson

Ushers: Ardell Tensen & Tim Stutelberg

Greeters: Elders – East & West

Ministry Servers: 4/21 – Sunrise Service

Accompanist: Aimee TeBrake

Power Point: Jolene Bonnema

Sound: Doug Zimmer

Ministry Servers: 4/21 – 10 am Service

AM Accompanist: Cindy Ammermann

AM Power Point: Derrick Beerman

Sound: Doug Zimmer

AM Video: Scott Wubben

Nursery: Amanda Gerdes, Alex Roelofs, Isaac Asche

Library: Florence Visser & Char Sietsema

Ushers: Ardell Tensen & Tim Stutelberg

AM Greeters: Randy & Barb Bonnema (E)
Mack & Beverly Carlson (W)