

October 13, 2024

*Carmel's mission is to further Christ's Kingdom
through loving God and loving others.*

MORNING WORSHIP (9:30)

Prelude: *Karen Boersema*

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Christian Greeting

*Worship Songs: *"The Power Of Your Love"*
"How Deep The Father's Love For Us"
#137 *"O How I Love Jesus"*

Invocation

Congregational Prayer

Hymn: **#84** *"Grace Greater Than Our Sin"*
(Offerings for the Property Fund & Mission Projects)
(Please pass the Guest Registers during this time)

Scripture: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:22-24

Message: **"Man's Free Will"**

Closing Hymn: **#560** *"'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus"*

*Benediction

Postlude: *Karen Boersema*

(*please stand if you are able)

EVENING WORSHIP (6:30)

Prelude: *Karen Boersema*

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Worship Hymns: **#102** *"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"*
#103 *"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"*

Invocation

Responsive Reading: **#1261 Selection #49**
"God's Everlasting Love"

Congregational Prayer

*Hymn: **#97** *"Be Still, My Soul"*

Scripture: Matthew 6:34

Message: **"The Cure For Anxiety"**

Closing Hymn: **#107** *"God Will Take Care Of You"*

*Benediction

Postlude: *Karen Boersema*

(*please stand if you are able)

Because Jesus is our great high priest, we "approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need" (Hebrews 4:16, NRSV). Welcome. Please join us for refreshments after the morning worship service.

Guest Register: During the first offering this morning, please sign and pass the "Guest" Register down the row. Once it reaches the end and members and guests have signed, please pass it back to the center.

TODAY

10:45 a.m.—**Sunday School**

Preschool-1st grade meet in the music room.

2nd-6th grade meet in the sanctuary.

Lesson: “*Zechariah Gave Hope*”

Sunday School Guide Class meet in the library.

4:30 p.m. —**Sr. RCYF**

6:30 p.m.—**Jr. RCYF**

Nursery Attendants: Londa B., Kristi V.V., Karlee L., Brody V.V. **Door Attendant:** John. **Ushers:** Mitch (M), Luke (NE), Adam (SW). **Audio:** Josh. **Video:** Laura. **Power Point:** Eric. **After Service Greeters:** Dan & Dennis (M), Leon (NE), Jerry (SW).

THIS WEEK

Monday, October 14

9:00 a.m.—**Women’s Bible Study**

6:30 p.m.—**Elders’ Meeting.** Anyone desiring to make profession of their faith may meet with the elders at 7:00.

7:30 p.m.—**Consistory Meeting.**

Wednesday, October 16

7:00 p.m.—**Prayer Meeting**

Women’s Bible Study

Wednesday Night Activities

Lesson: “*God Blesses Joseph*”

Saturday, October 19

5:00 p.m.—**Jr. RCYF Outing**

We will be bringing the students home afterwards.

NEXT SUNDAY, October 20

Nursery Attendants: Ruth De Jager, Lynna De Wit, Marcus Van Voorst, Rachel Wynia. **Door Attendant:** Cal Sandbulte. **Ushers:** Brad Beukelman (M); Todd Kooi (NE); Eric Ochsen-dorf (SW). **Refreshments:** Karen Boersema, Dennis De Jong. **Cookies:** Carmen Maassen, Alice Remmerde, Cheryl Sandbulte, Teresa Sandbulte, Rachel Van Roekel. **Special Music:** Leon Franken. **Special Offering:** Mission Projects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Uphold in Prayer

Arlyn Keizer has an eye appointment on Thursday, October 31.

Colleen Bomgaars is recovering from surgery for her broken wrist.

Harold Vander Vliet is recovering from surgery from his broken clavicle and ribs.

Lloyd De Jong is recovering from open heart surgery.

Kyle Van Ginkel serving in the army.

Praying for our local congregations: This week please be in prayer for God’s blessing for the Covenant Christian Reformed Congregation and Pastor Jason Kok.

Please help us to help you: When you have an illness, accident, upcoming surgery, birth or death in the family, or other needs, please notify one of the elders or the church office.

Our sympathies to *Brad & Tasha Oostra and family* on the death of Tasha’s grandmother, *Luella Loges*, who passed away on Saturday, October 5.

Congratulations to *Kendrick & Aubrey Van Kekerix* on the birth of a daughter, *Natalynn Leigh*, who was born on Sunday, October 6.

Congratulations to *Colyn & Jayden Oostenink* on the birth of a daughter, *Ainsley Lee*, who was born on Monday, October 7.

Happy birthday to *Ron Dieck*, who will celebrate his 82nd birthday on Tuesday, October 15.

Happy birthday to *Dorene Hulshof*, who will celebrate her 95th birthday on Wednesday, October 16.

Happy birthday to *Ramona Vander Weide*, who will celebrate her 85th birthday on Friday, October 18.

Nomination ballots for Elders and Deacons are due TODAY! Please put your ballots in the box on the Coffee Station.

There will be no Jr. RCYF on Sunday, October 20. There is another event that we feel will be great for the students. Trenton Bass will be speaking at Trinity CRC in Rock Valley on October 20th at 6:00 pm. Parents and students are welcome to attend this event. If the parents can't make it but the students would like to attend please contact Danica DeMeester. We will plan on meeting at the church at 5:20 pm for the students that need a ride.

The pews in the sanctuary will be getting cleaned on Monday, October 14. Please help to pick up candy wrappers and papers that are left behind.

With so many who have lost so much— Carmel Sunday School is going to be doing a boot and sock drive! We are looking for new or gently used boots of all sizes (please make sure all used items are washed). We are also looking for toddler and youth size socks!

The Winter Warm-Up Annual Distribution is on Saturday, October 26 at Kinsey Elementary. We need volunteers to sign up to help set up for this event. If you can help please sign up on the Coffee Station or contact Jennifer Prins.

The newly elected CWM (Carmel Women's Ministry) officers are Donna Renes-President; Kara Van Meeteren and Kathy Van Beek-Decorating; Lynna De Wit and Erika Van Keckerix-Service; Morgan Hoekstra and Sandi Vonk-Nominating Committee.

Attention Treasurers: Financial Report paperwork will be in your mailboxes soon! Financial Report Forms **must be turned in** by 12:00 p.m., **November 5**. You may put them in the church office mailbox.

22:6 Group has frozen sweet corn available for purchase in the deep freezer. The freezer is now located by the back door in the Education Wing. It is \$10/bag. Please pay when you pick up the corn.

Are you looking for a way to serve in Carmel Church?? We are looking for a few more people who would be willing to serve refreshments on Sunday morning. Contact the church office at 712-722-2733 or email carmelch@mtcnet.net if you are willing to serve.

Do you have questions? All of us at some point, and throughout our Christian walk, have questions about the Bible or the Christian faith. It's a normal, healthy part of maturing in Christ. I (Pastor Ron) would like to know what your questions are to help answer those so we can all learn and grow in our faith where we may have had some difficulty before. Put your questions in my church mailbox, or get them to me personally. Bible verses can still be submitted too.

The Consistory would like to remind the congregation that October is Pastor Appreciation Month. We are so blessed to have Pastor Ron and Karen serving with us at Carmel Church. We would like to encourage you all to reach out with a token of appreciation to say thank you for the tireless work to make an impact for the Kingdom of God, by serving our congregation and the surrounding community. You can offer a gesture of gratitude in many ways, a card, a note, an email, a text, a phone call, a personal thank you, an invitation for a meal together, monetary or other gifts. You can also have your children make a card, or have a group you are involved with in church together offer your appreciation. Most importantly continue to support them by praying for Pastor Ron and Karen as together they serve God and this church. Let's together show our love and support for them during this month and all throughout the year.

Attention: All bulletin articles need to be submitted to the office by 2:00 pm on Thursdays.

GENERAL FUND GIVING: Offering : \$9,619.00
Fiscal YTD General Fund offering: \$231,104.94