#### **April 6, 2025**

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

#### **MORNING WORSHIP (9:30)**

Prelude: Jamie Van Voorst

Welcome

Call to Worship

\*Christian Greeting

\*Worship Song: "Christ Our Hope In Life And Death"

"Lord. I Need You"

Invocation

Ministry in Music: Josie Renken

Congregational Prayer

Hymn: #44 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (Offerings for the General Fund & 22:6 Group) (Please pass the Guest Registers during this time)

Scripture: Genesis 17:15-21; 21:1-8; 22:1-19

Message: "One Final Test"

Closing Song: "Ancient Words"

\*Benediction

Parting Hymn: #9 "Glory Be To The Father"

Postlude: Jamie Van Voorst

(\*please stand if you are able)

#### **EVENING WORSHIP (6:30)**

Prelude: Jamie Van Voorst

Welcome

Call to Worship

\*Worship Hymns: #224 "My Savior's Love"

#395 "Love Lifted Me"

Invocation

Responsive Reading: "The Heidelberg Catechism"

Lord's Day #3

Congregational Prayer

\*Hymn: #507 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Scripture: Acts 10:34-43; 1 John 4:7-12

Message: "God's Love"

Closing Hymn: #362 "I Belong To The King"

\*Benediction

Postlude: Jamie Van Voorst

(\*please stand if you are able)

God makes paths through the sea and rivers in the desert (Isaiah 43:16, 19). Whatever obstacle you face, God will open the way of life for you. Welcome to worship. Please join us for refreshments after the morning worship service.

**This evening we welcome** Pastor Harlan De Jong as he leads our worship service.

Thank you to Josie Renken for her ministry in music this morning.

Guest Register: During the 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: "Palm Sunday Lesson"

Sunday School Guide Class meet in the Chapel.

11:00 a.m.—Jr. RCYF Parent Meeting in the Moses Room 6:15 p.m.—Diamonds Ministry 6:30 p.m.—Jr. & Sr. RCYF

Nursery Attendants: Amy M., Jo M., Aniya R., Kierra W. <u>Door Attendant</u>: Larry. <u>Ushers</u>: Avery S. (M), Marlin S. (NE), Owen S. (SW). <u>Audio</u>: Josh. <u>Video</u>: Chad. <u>Power Point</u>: Eric. <u>After Service Greeters</u>: Dan Fedders & Pastor Ron (M), Dennis (NE), Hans (SW).

#### THIS WEEK

Wednesday, April 9
7:00 p.m.—Adult Bible Study

RVL Discipleship: The Study

Friday, April 11-13
Jr. RCYF at Middle School Retreat

#### NEXT SUNDAY, April 13

Nursery Attendants: Kristi Segar, Rachel Van Roekel, Alydia Sandbulte, Hannah Van Roekel. <u>Door Attendant</u>: Willard Hulstein. <u>Ushers</u>: Seth Sandbulte (M); Vince Sandbulte (NE); Eric Van Meeteren (SW). <u>Refreshments</u>: Dennis De Jong, Karen Boersema. <u>Cookies</u>: Rachel Terpstra, Misty Zwart, Kaye Kuyper, Clarice Van Maanen, Carmen Maassen. <u>Special Music</u>: Cherub & Nursery Choirs. <u>Special Offering</u>: Mission Projects.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### **Uphold in Prayer**

Ken Altena is receiving treatment for prostate cancer.

Suzanne Den Herder is in the hospital.

Alice Remmerde is in the hospital.

*Jr. RCYF kids and sponsors* attending the Middle School Retreat April 11-13.

Henry J. Wolfswinkel is in the hospital.

Harvard Sneller is recovering from a fall which resulted in several broken bones.

Please keep *Middleburg Free Grace Church* in your prayers as they are looking for a pastor.

Kyle Van Ginkel serving in the army.

**Praying for our local congregations:** This week please be in prayer for God's blessing for the Jesucristo El Buen Congregation and Pastor Rodrigo Gonzalez.

**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.

"We would like to thank everyone for the many visits and prayers for Lyle while he was in the hospital. Thank you for the cards, texts, phone calls, donations for hospice care, and helping with the funeral. Special thank you to Pastor Ron and Karen for their prayers and visits. We are so blessed to be part of Carmel Church."

-Linda Diekevers and family

There will be a VBS parking meeting in the Moses Room on Sunday, April 13 after the morning worship service. This meeting is for anyone interested in helping to park vehicles or help with traffic control during VBS.

ALL Graduates (whether high school, college, or grad school) please get your graduation information to the church office by Sunday, April 20! Forms are on the Coffee Station or email the church office at carmelch@mtcnet.net.

We will be rearranging the mailboxes soon to keep them in alphabetical order. Please make every effort to empty your mailbox. It would be very much appreciated. Please be thinking and praying about how you can help support VBS. We need **MANY** volunteers to make this happen.

Please Note: The Mother-Daughter Banquet has a ticket price change. 13 years-adult is \$18.00 and 6 years-12 years is \$12.00.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED To Serve at the Banquet**

Carmel will be serving at **The Banquet** in Sioux Falls, on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>April 17</u>. Volunteers are needed to help serve the meal. **Sign up at the Coffee Station.** Monetary donations are also needed for the meal and milk. You may put your donation in the box near the sign up sheet. The Church Van will be going to Sioux Falls for those who don't wish to drive.

#### You're Invited!

Join us for our Legacy Appreciation Supper hosted by the Sr. RCYF. Enjoy a delicious meal, dessert, and an engaging activity planned for the evening!

Date: Wednesday, April 23, 2025

**Time:** 6:30 pm

Please RSVP to the church office by Monday, April 15th!

We look forward to having you join us!

Look for your invitation in your mailbox

#### **EDUCATION APPRECIATION SUPPER**



All volunteers involved in our education programs (S.S. teachers, substitute teachers, officers, music leaders, Wednesday LFC teachers, substitute teachers and Bible Study leaders, GEMS and Cadet Counselors, Jr. and Sr. RCYF Sponsors, and VBS Directors along with their spouse

or guest) are invited to an Appreciation Supper on WEDNES-DAY, APRIL 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Childcare will be provided.

A great meal and fun evening has been planned for these individuals and we hope you can come and enjoy this time as we show our appreciation to our education volunteers!!

Please sign up at the Coffee Station in the Fellowship Hall or contact the church office, if you will be attending. Please do so by **APRIL 23!** 

#### **OFFICE REMODEL**

We are excited to announce that the office remodel has started! This project is anticipated to take 6-8 weeks to complete. During this time that staff will be set up in the library.

Adult Sunday School will meet in the chapel during this time.

Thank you for your support on this project, and patience with any inconveniences during this time!

#### **Carmel VBS**

Howdy, partners! Dust off your boots-it's time to get your tickets to Wonder Junction.

SAVE THE DATE!
Carmel VBS will be June 2-6. We can't wait to see you!



Throughout the week, kids will learn about Jesus' birth, childhood, ministry, death and resurrection, and coming return. Kids will be challenged to grow their knowledge and discover the joy that comes with praising Jesus!

Our <u>volunteers</u> are what make this week a success! You do not want to miss the opportunity to walk alongside the kids and watch them grow in their faith. Volunteers are encouraged to sign up online using the following QR code or link:



https:://vbspro.events/p/carmelvbs2025

To sign up to bless our workers with snacks/treats throughout the day, please use the following link:

https:://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DA5AF22A7FEC34 -54838615-carmel

We covet your prayers for all those involved in this weeklong ministry. We pray that God will be glorified and many lives will be blessed through our 2025 VBS.

Carmel Mother-Daughter Banquet

Wednesday, May 7, 2025 ~ Fellowship Hall

> Punch ~ 6:00 p.m. Meal ~ 6:30 p.m.

Speaker: Jessica Remme

TICKETS:

13 years - Adult (\$18)

6 - 12 years (\$12)

0 - 5 years (free)

RSVP BY CONTACTING THE CHURCH OFFICE OR PUT-TING YOUR RSVP CARD IN THE BOX ON THE COFFEE STATION

Deadline to purchase tickets is **April 20!** 

# ALASKA BIBLE INSTITUTE Mission Trip

Carmel Mission Trip to Alaska Bible Institute:

Where: Alaska Bible Institute Campus located in Homer,

Alaska

When: August 1-9

**Who:** Teenagers to Adults

**Cost:** \$1,000-\$1,200 (Depending on flights)

Work: Projects on campus (Skilled labor but also have a job

for everyone)

Signup: Contact Nate Van Ginkel (712-470-5790) or signup

sheet in Fellowship Hall.

**<u>Deadline</u>**: May 25, 2025

**GENERAL FUND GIVING:** Offering: \$9,437.25 Fiscal YTD General Fund offering: \$112,225.12

Property Fund Offering: \$200.00

Fiscal YTD Property Fund: \$92,295.25