

JANUARY 4, 2026

*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 Songs: *"Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me"*
"Goodness of God"

*Invocation

Congregational Prayer

Hymn: **#184** *"God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen"*
(Offerings for the General Fund & Property Fund)
(Please pass the Guest Registers during this time)

Scripture: Genesis 12:1-8; Hebrews 11:8-12

Message: **"Walking Into The Future In Faith"**

Preparation of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn: **#437** *"Trust and Obey"*

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn: **#437** *"Trust and Obey"*

Postlude: *Jamie Van Voorst*

*(*please stand if you are able)*

Song sheets are available for those who are unable to see the screen.

EVENING WORSHIP (6:30)

Prelude: *Jamie Van Voorst*

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Worship Hymns: **#20** *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"*
#74 *"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"*

Invocation

Responsive Reading: *The Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day #31*

Congregational Prayer

*Hymn: **#136** *"O Come, Let Us Adore Him"*

Scripture: Psalm 146

Message: **"Hallelujah"**

*Hymn: **#276** *"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"*

*Benediction

Postlude: *Jamie Van Voorst*

*(*please stand if you are able)*

We're so glad you're here! There are many good reasons to come to church, but the best one is to worship and thank God for His amazing love -shown through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That's what our church is all about. Please join us for refreshments after the morning worship service.

A warm welcome to Pastor Gary Hegstad as he leads our morning worship service and Pastor Cliff Hoekstra as he leads our evening worship service.

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.

Sunday School Guide Class meets in the library.

6:30 p.m. – **JR & SR RCYF**

Nursery Attendants: Kristi V.V., Londa B., Marcus V.V., Addie V.V.

Door Attendant: Jack. **Ushers:** Sean R. (M), Marlin S. (NE), Owen S. (SW). **Refreshments:** Dorene V.Z., Hans S. **Audio:** Dan.

Video: Enrique. **Power Point:** Janice. **After Service Greeters:** Leon & Brian (M), Hans (NE), Dennis (SW).

THIS WEEK

Wednesday, January 7

7:00 p.m. – **GEMS & Cadets**

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 11

Nursery Attendants: Nikki Hulstein, Lynna De Wit, Ava Sandbulte, Kinlee Wolfswinkel. **Door Attendant:** Jack Soodsma. **Ushers:** Avery Sandbulte (M), Seth Sandbulte (NE), Vince Sandbulte (SW).

Refreshments: Jerry Renes, Jack Soodsma. **Cookies:** Carol Langstraat, Sherri Wolfswinkel, Mimi Sandbulte, Anita Van Ravenhorst, Cheryl Sandbulte. **Special Music:** Loren Punt. **Special Offering:** Mission Projects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Uphold in Prayer

Sue Noteboom is home after 4 months of being admitted for Guillain Barre Syndrome.

Karen Hulstein is recovering from hip surgery.

Tommy Bomgaars is recovering from shoulder surgery to repair a torn labrum.

Derek Vande Zandschulp is recovering from surgery to remove kidney stones.

David Vander Zwaag is recovering from a broken leg and infection post-surgery.

Beth Te Grotenhuis is receiving chemotherapy. She will be getting scans done at the end of January to determine the next steps.

Ashley Vande Vegte is receiving chemotherapy.

Middleburg Free Grace Church as they look for a Pastor.

Praying for our local congregations: This week please be in prayer for God's blessing for the Faith Christian Reformed Congregation and Pastor Bob Pollema.

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 family would like to thank the congregation for the prayers, support and many acts of kindness shown to us during the loss of our mother/grandmother. Your support has been a blessing.”

-Scott, Erika, Landyn & Kavri Van Kekerix
Kendrick & Aubrey Van Kekerix and family
Brayton & Juliana Van Kekerix and family

“Thank you to our Carmel Church congregation and the endless support received to Jer, myself, and our family. From the prayers, to food, gift cards, and visits – there are not words to express our gratitude, other than thank you. We are blessed to feel God's presence through the generosity of our congregation. Thank you again.”

-Jerry, Sue, and family

At our Annual Congregational Meeting on December 15, the following were elected to serve on the consistory. Elders: *Phil Hooyer and Henry Sandbulte*; Deacons: *Mitch Nettinga and Chris Van Essen*. If there is any scriptural reason why these men should not serve, please contact one of the elders. Installation will be on Sunday, January 11.

Next Sunday, by the Grace of God we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Articles for the February *HIGHLIGHTS* and activities calendars are due to the office Sunday, January 18.

The next Memory Loss Support Group will be held on Wednesday, January 7 at 10:00 a.m. in the Learning Center at Hegg Health Center. If you have any questions, please contact Melinda Faber at 712-476-8068.

ONLINE GIVING

Supporting our ministry is now easier than ever! You can give safely and securely through our online giving platform.

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Thank you for your faithful generosity!

CHILI BASH

Wednesday, January 28

5:00-7:00 PM

Serving Chili and Homemade Cinnamon Rolls



Freewill donation for JR RCYF to attend Middle School Retreat and Power Connection.

Invite your friends!!

"TO GO" Meals are available

GENERAL FUND GIVING: Offering: \$7,813.00

Fiscal YTD General Fund offering: \$47,426.09