

FEBRUARY 15, 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: *"This Is Our God"*
"His Glory and My Good"

*Invocation

Ministry in Music: *Addison, Johnny, and Asher Van Voorst &
Montana and Tulsa Robinson*

Congregational Prayer

Hymn: **#342** *"God Moves In A Mysterious Way"*
(Offerings for the General Fund & Brian & Donna Renes)
(Please pass the Guest Registers during this time)

Scripture: Ruth 1

Message: **"Bitterness or Blessing"**

The Lord's Supper

*Song: *"Thank You Jesus For The Blood"*

*Benediction

Postlude: *Jamie Van Voorst*

*(*please stand if you are able)*

Song sheets are available for those of you who cannot see the screen.

EVENING WORSHIP (6:30)

Prelude: *Jamie Van Voorst*

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Worship Hymns: **#668** *"The Church's One Foundation"*
#644 *"Onward, Christian Soldiers"* (v. 1, 3, 5)

Invocation

Responsive Reading: *The Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 18*

Congregational Prayer

*Hymn: **#779** *"We Are Called To Be God's People"*

Scripture: Ephesians 4:4-13

Message: **"A United Body"**

*Song: **#677** *"Blest Be The Tie That Binds"*

*Benediction

Postlude: *Jamie Van Voorst*

*(*please stand if you are able)*

Welcome – your presence brings joy to our worship today. Let these words from the psalms guide us: "Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his: and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness. ... Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning" (Psalm 30:4-5, KJV). May God's joy meet you right where you are. Please join us for refreshments after the morning worship service.

A warm welcome to Justin Bailey as he leads our morning worship service and Pastor Jacob Pottebaum as he leads our evening worship service.

Thank you to *Addison, Johnny, and Asher Van Voorst and Montana and Tulsa Robinson* for their ministry in music this morning.

This morning, by the Grace of God, we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

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.

4:00 p.m. – **SR RCYF**

Cone Park Outing in Sioux City

6:30 p.m. – **JR RCYF**

8:00 p.m. – **Homebuilders**

Nursery Attendants: Aubrey V.K., Amber N., Aniya R., Hannah V.R. **Door Attendant:** Larry. **Ushers:** Todd K. (M), Orlin O. (NE), Trevor P. (SW). **Refreshments:** Chad R., Jerry R. **Audio:** Warren. **Video:** Enrique. **Power Point:** Janice. **After Service Greeters:** Brian & Henry (M), Phil (NE), Leon (SW).

THIS WEEK

Wednesday, February 18

6:30 p.m. – **Women's Life Galentine**

Meet at The Grain House in Hull

7:00 p.m. – **GEMS & Cadets**

NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Nursery Attendants: Juliana Van Kekerix, Morgan Hoekstra, Alydia Sandbulte, Tacey Van Kekerix. **Door Attendant:** Jack Soodsma. **Ushers:** Brady Punt (M), Brian Rozeboom (NE), Owen Sandbulte (SW). **Refreshments:** Mike Haverhals, Hans Smolders. **Cookies:** Allison Leusink, Sarah Nibbelink, Cheryl Lange, Fonda Post. **Special Music:** Regan Ronning. **Special Offering:** Missionary Support.

UPHOLD IN PRAYER

Arda Van Regenmorter will be having surgery on Wednesday, February 18.

Ashley Vande Vegte will have surgery on Monday, February 23. The results will help determine the next phase of treatments.

Beth Te Grotenhuis received favorable reports this week from her scans and bloodwork. She will continue chemotherapy for 5 more treatments, redo scans, and determine the next steps.

Stan Prins is recovering from hernia surgery.

Kraig Hulstein is recovering from open heart surgery.

Linda Altena has been diagnosed with Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma. She is doing weekly Immunotherapy infusions.

Loren Van Regenmorter is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

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

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 Lebanon Christian Reformed Congregation and Pastor Bob Drenten.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 outpouring of love, support, prayers, and acts of kindness after the passing of Betty. It is such a blessing to have the Carmel Church family during these difficult times.”

-Glenn Rozeboom
Steve & Amy Rozeboom and family
Brian and Nicole Rozeboom and family

“Thank you so much to our church family during my surgery and recovering the past weeks for the meals brought in, phone calls, texts, visits, and prayers for successful surgery and healing from Carmel Church. We are so blessed to be a part of a caring church. The healing process of the foot is going as planned and hopefully I will have a walking boot in 3 weeks. Again, thank you so much!”

-John & Ronda Leusink

“I want to thank the congregation for all the cards received, food brought in and the visits, but most of all for your prayers. It was greatly appreciated!”

-Willard & Karen Hulstein

It's time to start working on quilts and pillowcases for Royal Family Kids Camp. We need 50 quilts completed by June! Kits have been pre-cut for simple strip quilts and instructions are provided for simple sewing. If you are interested in helping with this mission, contact Anita Van Ravenhorst at 712-541-1744 or email at adraven@mtcnet.net. These campers treasure their quilts and pillowcases! Help us bless these campers!

TAKE & BAKE PIZZAS AVAILABLE

Cadets have some Take & Bake Pizzas available for purchase in the Kitchen Freezer. They are \$12 per pizza, please put your money in the box on the counter by the stove marked Cadet's Take & Bake Pizza.

It is time to update our Carmel Church phone directory! We ask for your cooperation in making sure all the information is correct and up to date. You will find a sheet in your mailbox with the information from last year's directory; if any of that information has changed, please correct it, if nothing has changed please mark all information is correct on the sheet. Friends of Carmel, if you would like to be a part of our directory, please fill out a sheet on the Coffee Station. Hand in ALL directory sheets in the box on the Coffee Station.

We're excited to bring back children's messages during our worship services! This is a fun and meaningful way to connect with our kids and help them feel at home in worship. If you enjoy working with children (and don't mind a few giggles or great questions), we'd love to have you help lead a children's message. Please reach out to Dennis De Jong if you are interested or want to learn more.

The consistory is seeking congregational input as we consider whether to increase the size of the consistory. We recognize the importance of hearing from the congregation as we move forward together, and we welcome your thoughts and feedback on this matter. Please share your input with your care elder by the end of March. Thank you for continued prayers, patience, and participation in the life of our church.

GEMS FUNDRAISER

The Carmel GEMS are selling fresh prepared meals from The Lunch House in Rock Valley. Check your mailbox or ask one of the GEMS, they would love to help you make your mealtime easy. Order forms are due TODAY! Please put order forms, along with the money, in the box on the Coffee Station

Philly Steak Sliders	Ham Cheese Sliders
Broccoli Cheese Soup	Roast Beef/Mashed Potatoes
Teriyaki Chicken/Fried Rice	Tuscan Chicken Pasta
Shredded Pork	Chicken Noodle

EASTER LILIES

With Easter quickly approaching we would like your help in decorating the front of church with Easter Lilies! Stop by the Coffee Station in the Fellowship Hall. Fill out a slip and put it, along with \$20 per Lily, in an envelope and place it in the box.

Make checks payable to Carmel Women's Ministries

Deadline to order lilies is February 22!



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

- Spring 6 weeks Bible Study
- TRUSTWORTHY – A Study of 1 & 2 Kings
- Mondays at 9:00 a.m.- starting February 23rd
- Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. – starting February 25th
- **Sign up on social media or in the Fellowship Hall**

Purchase your book now so you can have it by the first day of the study!

GENERAL FUND GIVING: Offering: \$6,474.00

Fiscal YTD General Fund offering: \$92,193.74