



MIDDLEBURG FREE GRACE

# REFORMED CHURCH

*Knowing Jesus and making Jesus known*



Pastor Mark Schwarz

# WELCOME

WE ARE SO GLAD YOU ARE HERE TO WORSHIP WITH US!

# WORSHIP

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2023

**Prelude** - Nevonne Stoker

**\*Praise & Worship**

Blessed Be the Name of The Lord  
Holy Forever  
Noel

**\*Prayer**

**Ministry of Music** - Skylar & Austin Garris

**Announcements**

**Infant Baptism** - Soren Carl Broersma

**Ministry of Music** - Betty & Sienna Moss

**Congregational & Offertory Prayer**

**General Offering**

**Hymn #502** - In My Heart There Rings a Melody (vs. 1-3)

*Little Lambs (3yr old - TK) are dismissed for Children & Worship*

**Message** – Blessing at Berea - Acts 17:10-14

**Prayer of Blessing**

**Hymn #406** - Wonderful Words of Life (vs. 1-3)

**Special Offering** - Africa Mission Trip

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

**FELLOWSHIP WITH US**

A special welcome to our visitors! If you are a visitor, we would like to make contact with you. Please fill out a "Welcome to the Family" card located by the sanctuary doors and leave it on the table or put it in Pastor Mark's church mailbox. Thank you for coming! Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall today to enjoy coffee, and lemonade.

*A heartfelt greeting is extended to all who have gathered to worship our great and glorious triune God, a gracious Heavenly Father, our redeeming Savior, and the life giving Holy Spirit. To all our visitors today – we're glad you're here!*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Pig in the Blankets**

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped with the pig in a blanket project. From ordering pigs, to making them, bringing meals and snacks, and helping with set up and tear down. Without your help, this project would not be a success. Those who picked up pig in a blankets were so amazed at how our church comes together to accomplish this large goal in a week. - *The Mission Outreach Committee*

### **Baptism**

Today we gather around the Baptismal Font to celebrate the baptism of Soren, infant son of Steven and Haley Broersma. Let us remember God's precious promises for Soren. We welcome the family and friends of the Broersma family who have come to rejoice with them on this very special occasion.

### **Operation Christmas Child**

Thanks to everyone who donated supplies to fill boxes for Operation Christmas Child. The Jr. RCYF were able to pack 84 boxes. What a blessing to be able to show Christ's love to so many children. Thank you!

### **Congregational Meeting**

We will be selecting new consistory members for 2024 and review the business of our church. The nominated candidates for consistory Elders are Evan Kraayenbrink, Rich Kooiker, Loren Te Slaa, and Bruce Schafer. Nominees for Deacon are Dan Oolman, and Mikah Scholten. We will be selecting by casting of lots. Two Elders and one Deacon will be chosen.

### **Service opportunity**

We are looking for anyone willing to help make and serve coffee & lemonade or bake cookies/bars (1st Sunday of each month) for our fellowship time after church. Please contact Minerva Kooiker at 712-441-7777 if you are willing to have your name added to the schedule.

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

### **Let us remember our friends and family in our prayers:**

- Harriet Vander Zwaag as she has a broken vertebra and is in severe pain.
- Scott Kooiman, son-in-law of Wrede & Barb (Kooiker) Vogel, was diagnosed with colon cancer. Pray for him and his family at this time.
- Ezra Kraayenbrink; Dale Kraayenbrink, brother of Evan; and Dina Vander Wilt; Daniel Peat, (Harv Punt's nephew). Pray for their healing and recovery.
- Lucille Van Zee, Harriet Vander Zwaag, Peter Leo Vander Zwaag our elderly and "home-bounders."

# Blessing at Berea!

## ACTS 17:10-14

**Notice 3 things about the Berean People:**

1. The Berean people \_\_\_\_\_ the Word of God!

*"These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the Word with all readiness of mind..."*

*Acts 17:11a, 1 Thessalonians 2:13, Hebrews 4:2*

We believe the Bible is the inspired, infallible Word of God.

2. The Berean people \_\_\_\_\_ the Word of God!

*"...and searched the Scriptures DAILY, whether those things were so"*

*—Acts 17:11b*

3. The Berean's people \_\_\_\_\_ to the Word of God!

As a result, many of them believed, as did also a number of prominent Greek women and many Greek men. — Acts 17:12

**SO THE QUESTION IS:**

**Are YOU willing to receive the Word of God?**

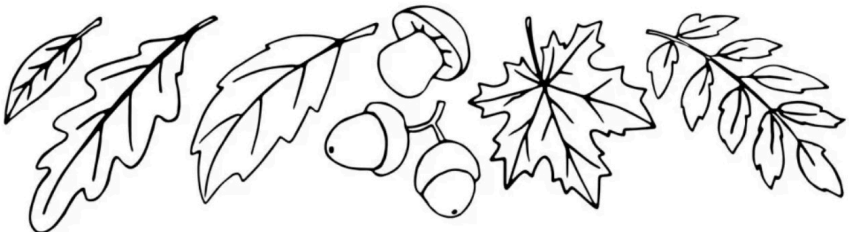
**And let it guide YOU?**

**Are YOU willing to study the Word of God?**

**And let it change YOU?**

**Are YOU willing to respond to the Word of God?**

**And let it define YOU?**



# GET INVOLVED

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Nov. 22 – Thanksgiving Eve Service | 7pm**

**Nov. 26 – Communion Sunday**

**Nov. 27 – Congregational Meeting | 7pm**

## *Special Days*

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Nov. 21 - Jada Kooiker

Nov. 22 - Joe Kooiker

Nov. 24 - Evan Kraayenbrink

Nov. 24 - Katie Schmith

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Nov. 20 - Kyle & Kadie Bakker

### **Saturday, February 10-17, 2024**

A mission trip is planned to go to Rolling Fork, Mississippi. We will be driving down to Mississippi and doing home repairs to houses that suffered damage from the March 2023 tornado. Glen and Julie Leusink are the organizers for World Renew for this project. Please sign up on the MOVE table by Dec 10th. If you have questions, please contact Joyce Vander Wilt, Andrea Wielenga, or a mission outreach committee member.

## **THIS WEEK**

**Sunday** - Life Groups will meet

**Tuesday, 9 AM** – Bible Study: *"Ecclesiastes: Finding meaning in a world of passing pursuits"*

**Wednesday, 7pm** – Thanksgiving Service

*No Wednesday evening classes due to our Thanksgiving service.*

**Thursday, 4 PM** – Bible Study: The book of John

## **PRAYER FOCUS OF THE WEEK**

Our prayer focus is the Siemonsma family. Ben works at Den Hartog Industries. He enjoys working outside, gardening and spending time with their granddaughters. Darla works at Wal-Mart. She enjoys baking and cooking. This year she enjoyed learning to do more canning. Darla enjoys sharing her baked goodies with others. She also enjoys being involved in Friendship Bible study. She enjoys spending time with their granddaughters too. Jonathan works at Neal Chase Lumber. He enjoys fixing things and working on snow blowers and lawn mowers. He enjoys going on mission trips. He also likes to spoil his nieces. With the holiday season beginning, the Siemonsmas ask that we walk alongside people who are feeling the loss of loved ones. Pray that we may show them Christ and make them feel they are part of God's family. Uphold Ben, Darla and Jonathan in your prayers this week.

## TODAY'S WORSHIP

Organist - Nevonne S.  
Sound Tech - Garret V.W.  
Power Point Creator - Brikenya D.  
Ministry of Music - Chris Garris  
Coffee/Lemonade - Brittany B.  
Ushers - Mike B. & Chad K.  
Prayer Team - Rus V. & Justin D.

### NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Lana O., Haylee O., Megan W.

### CHILDREN & WORSHIP

Little Lambs (3yr - TK)  
Storyteller - Tara K.  
Helper - Kinsley R.  
Greeters - JoLea M & Allison W.

### ELDER GREETERS

George(E); Rus(S); Pastor(W);

## WEDNESDAY, NOV. 22 | THANKSGIVING EVE

Pianist - Nora V.  
Sound Tech - Bryce H.  
Power Point Creator - Tayla K.  
Ministry of Music - Tyler Majerus

Prayer Team - Harlan H. Steven B.

### ELDER GREETERS

Pastor(E); Harlan(S); Rus(W);

## NEXT SUNDAY

Pianist - Irene S.  
Sound Tech - Dilan M.  
Power Point Creator - Tayla K.  
Ministry of Music - Bill Kooiker Sr.  
Children's Message - Kaylee M.  
Coffee/Lemonade - Carly J.  
Ushers - Mikah S. & Ben S.  
Prayer Team - Full Consistory

### NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Carly J., Landon M., Jasmin O.

### CHILDREN & WORSHIP

Rainbows (K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade)  
Storyteller - Nelva H.  
Helper - Brogen L.  
Greeters - Beth VDW & Taten D.J.

### ELDER GREETERS

Jon(E); Pastor(S); Harlan(W);



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**Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m. go to our Facebook Page to view our live stream services**

*Please have your bulletin announcements and notices sent to Tara Kooiker at [tara.kooiker@gmail.com](mailto:tara.kooiker@gmail.com) by 8pm on Wednesday.*