

MAY 31, 2026



MIDDLEBURG FREE GRACE
REFORMED CHURCH

Knowing Jesus and making Jesus known



WELCOME

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

WORSHIP

SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026

Prelude

Praise & Worship

Shine on Us
Shout to the Lord
Everlasting God

Prayer

Announcements

Camp Middleburg Skit

Ministry of Music - Garris Family

Congregational Prayer

Hymn #575 - Leaning on the Everlasting Arms (*all 3 verses*)

Offering

Message - Anger & Christ's Apprentices

Hymn #431 - Shine, Jesus, Shine (vs.1)

Benediction

Hymn #431 - Shine, Jesus, Shine (vs.3)

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 place it in Rus Verburg's church mailbox. Thank you for coming! Everyone is invited for lunch after the service.

CONNECT WITH US!

If you are new and wish to get connected with MFG, scan the QR Code.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Meal

Please join us after the service today for a meal beginning at 11:30 am. We ask that you take a side dish. Meat and tableware are provided.

Pig-in-the-blankets for sale

Cheesy and regular are available. Pick up in the upright freezer for \$10/dozen. A check payable to Mission Outreach can be placed in Andrea Wielenga's mailbox.

Ebel Concert

Join us tonight for our annual evening tent service on at 7pm. The Ebel family from Sutherland will be leading the service.

Camp Middleburg

Camp Middleburg is this week. We will begin at 9am and end at 11:30am. Please drop your family off on the west side of church each morning. Our mission project is Hope Haven's wheelchair ministry. Please be in prayer for all of our campers and volunteers that we have fun learning about finding our strength in God at Snowball Mountain.

Pastoral Candidate

The Consistory and Search Team are excited to announce Pastor Cody Raak as our Pastoral Candidate. He will be preaching on June 14 and congregational vote will take place on June 21. Contact a consistory member if you need an absentee ballot. Please keep this process in your prayers.

Volunteer Opportunity

Do you have a few hours and a heart to serve? Renewed Hope Thrift Store, a mission of Family Crisis Centers, is looking for volunteers to help customers at the register, sort donations, and stock shelves. Every hour you give helps keep our store running and our community strong. Call 712-722-4488 or email reneem@familycrisiscenters.org to learn more.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Let us remember our friends and family in our prayers:

- Kate Broersma, as she recovers from a vehicle accident.
- Matt Punt, Heidi Oolman's cousin, as he recovers from injuries due to a plane crash.
- Leon Te Grotenhuis family, as Leon has entered his Heavenly home.
- All our beloved elderly members who are unable to gather with us each Sunday.
- Be in prayer for our church as we consider Pastor Cody Raak as our new pastor.
- Members of our military families who currently have family members on active duty.

SHINE ON US

Lord, let Your light,
light of Your face shine on us.
Lord, let Your light,
light of Your face shine on us
That we may be saved,
that we may have life to
find our way in the darkest night.
Let Your light shine on us.

Lord, let Your grace,
grace from your hand fall on us.
Lord, let Your grace,
grace from your hand fall on us
That we may be saved,
that we may have life to
find our way in the darkest night.
Let Your grace fall on us.

Lord, let Your love,
love with no end come over us.
Lord, let Your love,
love with no end come over us
That we maybe saved,
that we may have life to
find our way in the darkest night,
let Your love come over us.

Let Your light shine on us.

SHOUT TO THE LORD

My Jesus, my Savior,
Lord, there is none like You;
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love.
My Comfort, my Shelter,
Tower of refuge and strength;
Let every breath, all that I am,
never cease to worship You.

CHORUS

Shout to the Lord, all the earth,

let us sing. Power and majesty praise
to the King; mountains bow down and
the seas will roar. At the sound of Your
name.

I sing for joy at the work of Your hands,
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand,
nothing compares to the promise I have
in You.

(repeat whole song)

EVERLASTING GOD

Strength will rise as we wait upon the
Lord. Wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord.

Strength will rise as we wait upon the
Lord. Wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord.

Our God, You reign forever;
our Hope, our strong deliverer.

CHORUS

You are the everlasting God,
the everlasting God.
You do not faint, You won't grow weary.
You're the defender of the weak.
You comfort those in need.
You lift us up on wings like eagles.

Strength will rise as we wait upon the
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CHORUS

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LEANING ON THE EVERLASTING ARMS

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain

Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms,
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the
everlasting arms.

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.
O how bright the path grows from day to
day, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

(refrain)

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.
I have blessed peace with my Lord so
near, leaning on the everlasting arms.

(refrain)

BIRTHDAY

June 3 - Caden Kooiker
June 3 - Scott Meerdink
June 5 - Haley Broersma

ANNIVERSARIES

May 31 - Leon & Fran Mouw
June 3 - Dave & Karen Moss
June 6 - Tyler & Janelle Van Der Zwaag

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

Lord, the light of Your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth You now bring us;
Shine on me, Shine on me.

REFRAIN

Shine, Jesus, shine,
fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth Your Word,
Lord, and let there be light.

(BENEDICTION)

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So our faces display Your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory;
Mirrored here, may our lives tell Your
story; Shine on me, Shine on me.

(refrain)

Anger & Christ's Apprentices

Theme: Christ calls his apprentices to manage their anger.

Purpose: To encourage believers in their struggle with anger.

Introduction: Anger is a normal human emotion which needs to be channeled in Christ's Apprentices. (Pushing in the lunch line)

Two types of anger: Righteous and Unrighteous

Righteous anger is the result of Kingdom Injustice

1. It can be either meditative or visceral.

>Visceral (Mark 3:1-8)

>Meditative (John 2:13-17)

2. Our righteous anger at injustice is a result of the image of God in our lives.

>Righteous anger does not blame the victim but the victimizer. It speaks truth to power.

3. When righteous anger is channeled, God's work often gets done.

>The "war" against human trafficking.

> The "war" against pornography.

4. Even righteous anger needs to be managed.

"Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. (Eph. 4:26-27)

Unrighteous anger is fueled by unmet expectations and fear.

III> Your friend is late for lunch.

1. It can be meditative or visceral -- both are dangerous.

2. It arises out of a false personal narrative.

>I am alone - no one really cares about me.

>Things must always go as I want them to.

>Something terrible will happen if I make a mistake.

>I must always be in control.

>Life must always be fair and just.

>I need to be perfect all the time.

Managing Unrighteous anger means that we

1. Counter false narratives with Christ's Kingdom narratives.

Falsely Felt Narratives:

- I am alone - no one really cares about me.
- I must always be in control.
- Something terrible will happen if I make a mistake.
- I need to be perfect all the time.
- Life must always be fair and just.

Kingdom Narratives:

- Jesus is with you and cares for you. You are never alone.
- Jesus is in control, I'm not.
- Mistakes happen all the time, but God redeems them because of his great love.
- Jesus accepts me.
- Life is not always fair and just, but God gets the last word.

2. Deal with a broken relationship as soon as possible. **(Matt. 5:23-24)**

Training for Christ's Apprentices: Sabbath Rest

1. Sabbath rest helps deal with our unmet expectations.
2. It teaches us to trust God's pace in our world.
3. It reminds us that God provides what we need when we need it.
4. It fills our life with joyous contentment. (The Donut Man)

Weekly challenge: Celebrate a Sabbath this week by

1. Having a special mealtime. (*not in preparation, but in extra time spent together. It can be any day.*)
2. Playing games with your children and/or friends.
3. Attending church as a family and talking about it.
4. Taking a nap.
5. Having a time of private prayer.
6. Giving thanks by writing and praying about your blessings.
7. Practicing hospitality— invite some friends over.

Life Questions: Do I manage my anger, or does it control me? Do I both live my life as Christ's apprentice and trust his timing as I live my life?

Conclusion: Christ calls his apprentices to manage their anger and trust his judgment and his timing in our life.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

TENT SERVICE AT 10AM

Pastor - Doug Van Aartsen
Pianist - Nora V.
Sound Tech - Luke K.
Children's Message - None.
Ministry of Music - Paul & Sue Kooiker
Special Offering - None.
Ushers - Mike B. & Chad K.

Prayer Team - Loren & Chris
Coffee & Lemonade - Lana

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Haylee O; Joslin H; Lily L.

ELDER GREETERS

Dave(E), Pastor(S), Loren(W)

NEXT SUNDAY

Pastor - Rog Voskuil
Pianist - Haley B.
Sound Tech - Klint K.
Power Point - Haylee O.
Children's Message - Kaylee M.
Ministry of Music - Jared & Brittany B.
Special Offering - Hope Haven
Ushers - Harlan H. & Billy H.

Prayer Team - Kevin M. & Darren B.
Coffee, Lemonade, Cookies - None.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

JoLea M; Adelise H; Jada K.

ELDER GREETERS

Loren(E), Kevin(S), Pastor(W)

OUR LEADERSHIP

ELDERS

Rich Kooiker
Dave Roskam
Kevin Moss
Evan Kraayenbrink
Loren Te Slaa

DEACONS

Tyler Van Der Zwaag
Darren Broersma
Chris Garris
Mitchal Punt
Dan Oolman



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Please have your bulletin announcements and notices sent to our church email by 8pm on Wednesday.