

This Week:

Wed. Cadets 6:30 pm
JAM (R) 7:00 pm
Sunshine Corner items due

Next Sunday:

8:30 am – Sunday School
10:00 am – Morning Worship Service –
Pulpit Supply: Ben Johnson
5:30 pm – Evening Reflection Service
7:00 pm – Jr. JAM (B) 7:00 pm

Ministry Servers: February 28th

AM Accompanist: Cindy Ammermann

Power point: Natasha Erickson

Sound: Josh Bestge

AM Video: Lora Taatjes & Morgan Taatjes

Library: Jolene Bonnema & Becky Zimmer

***Ushers:** Tim Minter & Merle Sietsema

***Door Greeters:** Mavis Zimmer (E)
Tiena Zondervan (W)

WE WORSHIP AND PRAISE OUR GOD

Welcome to our Worship Service at Raymond Christian Reformed Church. *Please be mindful to those who are preparing their hearts for worship as you enter the sanctuary.*

Anyone desiring spiritual counseling or experiencing a family crisis, contact the Pastor or a visiting Elder (Greg B. and Scott W.) at any time.

Offerings: AM – General

Noisy Offering will be available in the Narthex

Ministry Servers: February 21st

AM Accompanist: Aimee TeBrake

Power point: Lexi Wubben

Sound: Micah Groen

AM Video: Natasha Erickson

Library: Jolene Bonnema & Becky Zimmer

***Ushers:** Tim Minter & Merle Sietsema

***Door Greeters:** Siu & Sondra Yuen (E)
Doug & Becky Zimmer (W)

*Those who are not comfortable, please contact Lora so other arrangements can be made.

WE CARE ABOUT OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Prayers & Praises

- Continuing health concerns & recovery: *Karen Nieuwbeerta, Selma Hubers, Arie Tensen Ron & Karen Johnson, Lydia Hoogeveen, Lexi Wubben, Craig Zondervan, Mack Carlson, Steve Boonstra, Lyla Thielen, Reynold Roelofs, Geneva Grussing, Sharon Blom, and George Parker.*
- Prayer for our shut-ins, as well as others not mentioned in our church family who struggle with physical, mental, or spiritual needs.

Raymond CRC Family Prayer List

Wayne & Kayla Fragodt

Darrin & Amanda Gerdes (Brayden, Mckenna, Gavin)

Bill & Betty Goeman

Attention Pre-K through 6th grade students/parents: We will be singing/reading scripture on Palm Sunday, Mar. 28th. There will be NO Sunday School between Sun., Mar. 7th through Sun., Mar. 21st for these ages, rather practice in the sanctuary instead.

The council of Raymond CRC chose to begin fellowship following the morning worship service. Please join us today!

Do you struggle to see the song lyrics on the screen from the LUYH hymnal on Sunday morning? If so, paper copies are available. Please contact Lora to request your copy.

Congratulations to Natasha Erickson and Doug Asche, the winners of the Noisy Offering Guessing Game. There was a total of \$449.57 collected through the Noisy Offering from January thru December 2020. Natasha guessed \$437.26 and Doug guessed \$350.00.

Thank you for the cards and all the prayers said for me during my four day stay at Carris Health in Saint Cloud and continuing cardiac rehab. Knowing God is in control, I was never anxious or afraid. Four stents later I feel better than I have in years! Danje!, Danke!, Tusen Takk! YaBetcha – God is Good, All the Time!! JoAnne Slagter

Female Jr. JAM leader needed to walk alongside and encourage the faith journeys of girls in 6-8th grade. Please contact Garrett for more information. garrettandhollie@gmail.com 320-905-1508

Upcoming Cadet Events:

- Sat., Feb. 27th – Ice Fishing – Meet at Raymond CRC at 3:30 and will return around 8:30 pm.
- Wed., Mar. 10th - MN West Central Derby at CMCS Elementary Gym – 6:30 pm weigh in with race beginning at 7 pm. No meal available and families only for attendance.

Combined Youth Event: JAM/Jr. JAM students in grades 6-12 are invited to Neon Night Tubing at Andes Tower Hills, Alexandria on Sat., Mar. 6th from 8-10 pm. They will leave from CMCS at 5:30 pm and will return by Midnight. The cost will be \$25. Please bring a sack lunch/snacks as we will not be stopping for supper. Please RSVP to Garrett by Sun., Feb. 21st.

Sunday School Teachers Needed – *The Broken* is seeking Sunday School teachers for their 5-10 year old's Sunday evening from 6:00-7:00 pm. If you would like to serve, the commitment would be one Sunday evening every 3-4 months. Please call Kim De Berg at 320-444-2329 if you would like to help or have any questions. Thank you for your consideration!

Prinsburg Youth Group Potato Pig-Out Fundraiser will be held at First CRC on Wed., Feb. 24th from 5-7 pm. This is a free-will donation loaded-potato supper with all the fixin's. Dine-in, carry-out, AND car-side to-go options will be available! Please call Deb Slagter at 320-905-4229 for car-side service and use designated car-side parking spaces in the east lot. Pre-orders for car-side service are encouraged, but not necessary. We hope you will PYG-OUT with us!

Attention Church Circle Ladies: Please watch your mailbox for your designated time to serve on Sunday morning. If you are not comfortable assisting, please find a replacement. Please be sure your treats are individually packaged. While serving, please practice COVID-19 safety protocols (wearing masks/gloves).

Interested in seminary? Concerned about the cost? If you are hoping to pursue vocational ministry as Minister of the Word in the CRCNA, there is financial help available! The Classis Ministry Leadership Team (CMLT) intentionally journeys alongside seminary students toward candidacy, and can help connect you with funds raised from the churches of Classis Lake Superior. If you'd like to learn more or connect with the CMLT about your plans, please e-mail Robert Hoekstra at pastor@hopecrc.com by June 1.

CMCS Spiritual Emphasis Community Event: Join us for a community evening with worship and hearing a message by Brian Zimmer on Wed., Feb. 24th from 7:30-8:30 pm. We are excited to hear his passion as an educator who connects deeply with students, faculty, and families. He creates an engaging environment built on trust and open communication, which allows for difficult conversations. Brian works to foster relationships and bring honor to various communities by recognizing the individual Brian grew up as an adopted child in a Caucasian home in rural Minnesota, and as the only Black student in his private school. Brian's mission is to develop cultures that honor every student and cultivate their potential. By coming alongside our school community, Brian hopes to further deepen our commitment to recognize and honor each student's lived cultural experiences, and bring greater awareness to how we can help all constituents develop and better understand their identity in Christ. Brian's plan is to engage the broader school community- including students, families, faculty, and staff- in discussions and learning experiences that engage and bring honor to CMCS community members.

Rock of Life CRC Monthly Prayer Requests:

- We are thankful five young people in our congregation will be publicly Professing their Faith in Jesus Christ this month. Continue to pray for them as they start out their journey in their personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
- We are thankful for a good response for the No Regret's Men Conference and pray all will be blessed by this event.
- We are hosting Love and Respect Marriage Seminar starting Feb. 20th. Pray for the leaders, Pastor Jeff and Tammy and the participants.

Children of the Promise has some **BIG** news that they cannot *contain* any longer... **We are sending two shipping containers to Haiti in 2021!**

COTP faced unprecedented challenges as an organization in 2020. Acquiring the resources our ministry needs to thrive was one of the biggest challenges. Instability in Haiti has forced us to significantly limit travel, drastically adjust according to exchange rates, and limit short-term volunteers... and that was before the COVID-19 pandemic. All these things and more have only intensified since the onset of the pandemic forced us to rely on cash donations to purchase items we need in Haiti. This is never a recipe for success, as COTP has historically thrived when we can maximize our cash donations AND pursue opportunities for in-kind donations to supplant our needs. **Due to these factors and uncertainty surrounding international travel, we plan to send shipping containers full of the resources needed to sustain and enhance ministry in Haiti. This creates several opportunities: get you as a supporter tangibly involved, make cost effective purchases with cash, and equip our departments to serve families well.**