

This Week

Mon. Jr. JAM Summer Event at Raymond CRC 3-5 pm

Sat. JAM Breakfast at Isaac/Ashlyn Brouwer's 9 am

Next Sunday:

9:30 am – AM Worship Service

5:30 pm – PM Worship Service via Raymond CRC YouTube

Offerings: AM – General

Ministry Servers: July 12th

AM Accompanist: Cindy Ammermann

Power point: Lexi Wubben

Sound: Clark Feikema

Video: Tyler Wubben

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 also in the Narthex

Ministry Servers: July 5th

AM Accompanist: Kendra Ahrenholz

Power point: Ashley Roelofs

Sound: Josh Bestge

Video: Alex Roelofs

WE CARE ABOUT OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Prayers & Praises

- Continuing health concerns & recovery: *Glenn Brower, Melvin Ulferts, Don Boonstra, Jodi Mulholand, Roz Geels, Lyla Thielen, Reynold Roelofs, Beverly Carlson, Geneva Grussing, Sharon Blom, and George Parker*
- Congratulations to Stan and Sandy Wubben on the birth of their 6th Great-Grandchild, Josiah Michael Reichert, born on May 10th to Nathan and Melanie (Bulthuis) Reichert of Sioux Falls, SD. Josiah weighed 9 lbs., 3 oz., and 21 inches long.
- *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

Jerry & Caryl Erickson
Clark & Megan Feikema (Vivian, Mallory, Grant)
Wayne & Kayla Fragodt

An invitation from the Fellowship Club: The Green Lake Cruise boat has been secured for the members of Raymond CRC for Thurs., Aug. 6th from 7-9 pm. Join us for fun, food, and fellowship. The cost will be \$25 per person with a cash beverage bar available. Contact the church office at 320-967-4721, to sign-up by July 12th. Payment is due at the time of sign-up to secure your spot.

GEMS Summer Fun Day will be held on Thurs., July 16th from 1-4 pm at the TeBrake Lake Cabin on Eagle Lake (5574 E Eagle Lake Rd, Willmar). Bring your swimsuit and towel. Snacks will be provided. If you need a ride, please contact Kendra (220.0221).

Thank you for the cards, visits, flowers, and fruit.

Selma Hubers

Our deepest appreciation and sincere thanks are extended to our many relatives, friends and neighbors who provided their generous kindness through your calls/texts, visits, cards, and food following the unexpected passing of our father and grandfather, Jere Olson.

Chad, Lora, Morgan, Jocelyn, and Oliver Taatjes

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at Unity CRC on Wed., July 8th. Due to Covid-19, walk-ins will NOT be available at this drive. Please make an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org. Be sure to complete your "rapid pass" online before your appointment. This will help to ensure a quick check-in process. ALSO, donors will have the opportunity to be tested for Covid-19 antibodies during this drive....this does not indicate a current infection, but rather, a previous exposure to the virus. As always, if you are showing any signs of illness, please wait to donate blood until you are feeling well. Thank you so much for this life saving gift!

GEMS leaders, ministry friends, and all women are invited to join GEMS for their Online Conference this year. The event will occur on July 30th & 31st. Together, we will explore what it means to be confident in God's Unshakeable Kingdom amidst a season of uncertainty and confusion. Worship, breakout sessions, the debut of the *Friended* curriculum, online coffee chats, and connection await! Keynote speakers include Bob Goff, Annie F. Downs, Arlene Pellicane, Lynn Cowell, Bruce Martin, Lenae Bulthuis, and Cindy Bultema. The registration rate is \$99 USD/\$133 CAD and includes access to view the event for up to 2 weeks following July 30-31. Find out more and register at gemsgc.org/events/onlineconference/.

Each year Bible League International Volunteers sends out a love letter to the members of their respective congregations. Our division does this the month of July and the letter is included with your bulletin this week. As Volunteers, we are no longer working for just one country, but the funds we raise are being used in the countries that need it the most. Please read the letter, pray about it, and contribute as God leads and enables. Due to the closure of the church mailboxes, donations may be sent to Sandy Wubben's residence (5383 Hwy 71 NE, Willmar). Won't you please transform lives for Him? Thank you, Sandy

Veteran's Build Applications Now Being Accepted: Habitat for Humanity of West Central Minnesota is seeking applicants for our upcoming Veteran's Build which will be designated for a local military individual or family. Persons interested in Habitat's Homeownership Program may apply now through Fri., Aug. 14th. Applications can be picked up in the Habitat office located at 2424 1st St S, Willmar or mailed by calling 231-2704.

News from Anthony & Sara Sytsma: We are excited to share with you we have accepted staff positions with Resonate Global Mission beginning Wed., July 1, 2020! This has been something we have been pursuing over the last six months and now we have been hired, we are happy to share the news with you!

Anthony will be working as Leadership Developer and Sara as Cultivator of Community Transformation. We will still be based in Soroti, Uganda, doing similar work to what we have been doing with World Renew but with some changes and additions. We are joining the Eastern and Southern Africa Resonate team. Anthony's work will continue to focus on training pastors and church leaders (including TLT and Helping Without Hurting in Africa) and Sara will continue work with communities integrating faith and life skills (agriculture, nutrition, baking, etc.). We will be able to continue working with many of the same churches and church leaders we are in a relationship with now, and through Resonate, there will also be potential for new partnerships and ministry opportunities.

Soon we will be sharing information with you about how to give to Resonate for our support. If you have been supporting our work with World Renew, we hope you will be able to continue supporting us in these new positions.

We count our six years with World Renew to be a great privilege and blessing. The World Renew team has been like family to us here. We are thankful we will still be able to partner and interact with World Renew staff in the region even as we start a new adventure with Resonate. We feel our gifts and ministry fit well into Resonate's mission and vision (*to bring the Gospel to people, neighborhoods, communities, churches and the world to embolden them in participating in God's mission and faithfully proclaiming and living out the good news of Jesus*).

Please note our new email addresses, ssytsma@crcna.org and anthonysytsma@crcna.org, which you can use from now on. Thank you so much for your faithful prayers and care for us as we work in Uganda!

In Christ,
Anthony and Sara Sytsma