

This Week:

**Wed. JAM at RCRC 7 pm
Council 7:30 pm**

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Next Sunday: September 12th

9:00 am – Sunday School Begins

10:00 am – Morning Worship

Offerings: General Fund

9/12 Cookies: Lexi Wubben, JoAnne Slagter, Michelle Minter,
Lynn Groen

Ministry Servers: September 12th

AM Accompanist: Kendra Ahrenholz

Power point: Lexi Wubben

Sound: Josh Bestge

AM Video: Morgan Taatjes

Nursery: Micah Groen, Derrick Beerman, Eli Greydanus

Library: Tammy Slagter & Becky Zimmer

Ushers: Craig Blom & Clark Feikema

***Door Greeters:** Tim & Joan Stutelberg (E)
Chad & Lora Taatjes (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.*

This morning, we have the privilege of witnessing the baptism of Sawyer Dean Olson. Sawyer is the infant son of Adam & Amanda Olson.

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.”
Jeremiah 1:5

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: General Fund

Ministry Servers: September 5th

AM Accompanist: Aimee TeBrake

Power point: Natasha Erickson

Sound: Doug Zimmer

AM Video: Tyler Wubben

Nursery: Anna Post, Seth Groen, Caleb Asche

Library: Tammy Slagter & Becky Zimmer

Ushers: Craig Blom & Clark Feikema

***Door Greeters:** Merle & Chari Sietsema (E)
Clyde & Tammy Slagter (W)

WE CARE ABOUT OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Prayers & Praises

- Continuing health concerns & recovery: *Tammy Slagter, Deb Kneisl, Emma Bonnema, Brad Kneisl, Karen Nieuwbeerta, Arie Tensen, Lydia Hoogeveen, Lexi Wubben, Craig Zondervan, Mack Carlson, Lyla Thielen, Reynold Roelofs, Geneva Grussing, Sharon Blom, and George Parker.*
- Ron Zondervan has been diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer.
- *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

Glenn & Kary Brower
Mack Carlson
Merle & Rose Epema

Lora will be in the office on Thursdays. Please be sure all Bulletin news items are in by Noon.

Fireside Fellowship for all ages: Pastor Aaron and Michelle invite you to join them for Fireside Fellowship by the fire pit in their backyard. Join them Sunday evenings in September at 6 pm, weather permitting. Drinks will be provided. Bring your favorite camp chair and snack to share.

Raymond Christian Reformed Church is seeking to hire an Administrative Assistant. The position would be 20-25 hours a week; work hours would be approximately 8:30 am to 1:30 pm, Tuesday through Friday. We would like to have someone in this position as soon as possible. Please request a job description/pay rate info if you have an interest in this position. You may contact one of the following Executive Committee members (or any other church council member): Greg Bonnema – 320-212-1376; Mike Groen – 320.905.6044; Terry Ahrenholz – 320.894.8308; Pastor Aaron Greydanus – 616.481.6019.

Thank you to the Congregation and the Council of Raymond CRC for the cards, gift and time of fellowship with cake. I thoroughly enjoyed my position as Secretary of the church and will miss it dearly.

Lora Taatjes

We would like to thank Pastor Aaron and Michelle for the visits and prayers. We would also like to thank the rest of our church family for prayers, cards and words of encouragement in the loss of our Dad, Grandpa and Great Grandpa. It is so great being a part of such a loving and caring church. Merle and Charlyn Sietsema
Stephanie, Adam, Blake, Taryn and Abigail Vogel

Thank you for your “July Love Gift” for the Bible League. The members of Raymond CRC gave \$590 which will purchase 118 Bibles. The total amount of gifts from the churches of the West Central Minnesota League was \$1,830. This means we have supplied a total of 366 Bibles for a country in need at the cost of \$5 each. Please remember these people in your prayers and thank you again for your contributions for the Bible League. Sandy Wubben

Thank you for all your prayers and concerns during Steve’s cancer diagnosis. He is currently in remission.

Wilma and the Boonstra family

GEMS Kick-Off & Registration

Wednesday, September 15th @ 6:30 pm

Raymond CRC Parking lot

Bring the whole family to enjoy a night of kickball, fellowship, and hot dog meal.

Come & Register your 2nd-8th Grade girl

Bring your lawn chair

Attention JAM and Jr. JAM parents - You should have received an email with calendar information and snack lists for JAM and Jr. JAM. If you did **NOT** receive this email please update Garrett with your current email address. You can always find links to the calendars and snack lists on the website at raymondcrc.org under "Ministries". Thank you!

Bethany Reformed Church invites you to their Fall Benefit Take-Out Turkey Dinner on Wed., Sept. 8th from 4:30-7:00 pm. Drive thru the alley to pick up your meals. Free-will donation with proceeds to go towards the Clara City Ambulance, Fire Department, City Library, and the Aquatic Center.

Emden CRC Outdoor Movie Night: All are welcome to join us for our FREE Outdoor Movie Night event on Sat., Sept. 18th at 6 pm on the east lawn of the church. There will be mini golf, pumpkin painting, s'mores, caramel & apples, and much more! The featured movie is "Wonder" which will start around 7:30 pm. Bring your family, friends, and lawn chairs for a fun night!

The Friesen Historical Society, dedicated to preserving the original site of the Bunde CRC, invites the public to a Community Picnic and Flag Retirement Ceremony to be held at the historical site north of Bunde on Sat., Sept. 11th. A picnic meal will be served starting at 5 pm. There will be a free-will donation accepted for the supper. Come tour the house, gardens and antique tool shed. The Clara City Boy Scout Troop #269 will oversee the Flag Retirement Ceremony beginning at 6:30 pm. Veterans are welcome to participate. If you don't know what to do with an old flag that you have, bring it to have it properly retired. This ceremony is very meaningful. Please bring your own lawn chair.

Dear Congregations of Classis Lake Superior, With gratefulness to God, Pease Christian Reformed Church will be celebrating their 125th Anniversary on Sun., Sept. 12th at 9:30 am. We will have a special worship service followed by fellowship and refreshments. As a proud member of Classis Lake Superior and as brothers and sisters in Christ, we are thankful for your partnership with us in the gospel and invite you to join us rejoice in God's goodness and faithfulness. In Christian Love, your friends at Pease CRC; Pease, MN

FRIENDSHIP BIBLE STUDY did not fold or cease. Due to the challenges with Covid and the pandemic restrictions, it was difficult not being in person and helping everyone feel valued and know the love of Jesus. We did have one in-person meeting and we made attempts to encourage, stay in touch and carry-on Bible studies with packets containing prayers, devotionals, activities, and songs with the individual students, their contacts, the Group Homes and staff. We are eager to resume once again! We plan on starting Mon., Sept. 20th and will meet every other Monday at 7 pm for an hour of worship and fellowship at the Rock of Life CRC. We are in need of mentors since many faithful ones are retiring. We would appreciate some volunteers to make cookies for our fellowship time. If you are interested and willing to SERVE/REACH OTHERS in any way, please call Helene @320-295-0901 or Clara @320-235- 0455.

CRCNA Prayer - Invitation to Pray: We are a praying church. The Council of Delegates has asked all in the CRC to make this a year of prayer. The CRCNA Prayer Team invites you to join online in monthly Prayer Gatherings. We will meet virtually on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, beginning on Sept. 8th, at 11am EST for one hour of prayer led by the CRC Prayer Team. Our goal is that this is not the only prayer opportunity for CRC members/groups. We would like this to be a grassroots effort that includes many more people than we can host in one session per month. We encourage you to lead your own prayer group at a time and place and in the language that works best for you. We will provide you with Prayer Guides and even set up a zoom meeting if needed. To sign up and receive the Zoom link for the virtual prayer meeting, go to https://docs.google.com/forms/d/17HaD-t0nKRWoTLHvP4oa15n-4Q8z5upNco3PY3zCaDI/viewform?edit_requested=true. If you have questions or comments, please contact us by emailing Prayer@crnapartners.org.