

SUNSHINE CORNER



March 2019



March

March 4 & 5

Spring Classis at Calvary CRC in Edina, MN
Representing Raymond CRC –
Pastor Aaron, Michelle, Todd Post & Terry
Ahrenholz

March 20

JAM Soup Supper at Bunde CRC
5-7 pm

March 24

GEMS Sunday at Bunde CRC at 10 am

March 31

Pulpit Supply:
AM Worship: Pastor Chris Alle

March 28 – April 7

Pastor Aaron - Vacation

JAM Homemade Pie & Soup Supper

Wednesday, March 20th from 5-7:30 pm
Bunde CRC



*If you'd like to donate a Homemade Pie for the
soup supper, contact Heidi Meyer at 320-905-0787.

Money raised will be used to support JAM and Jr. JAM
Ministries.

GEMS Girls' Club **Gems Sunday**
Combined worship service at Bunde CRC
10:00 am

Church Directory Pictures:

Contact Erica Bonnema or Lora
Taatzes if you have not had your
families picture taken for "The Bridge
App" and/or will be used for a paper
copy of the directory.



"The Bridge App" Icon

MACCRAY MACPAC Packing Event

Tues., April 16th
5:00 pm



Raymond CRC is scheduled to
help pack meals at MACCRAY West.
Interested individuals, please sign up on
the Narthex Table. They are currently
packing for 100 kids. Adults and children
(5 yrs. & older) welcome to pack!

Driver Needed: George Parker is looking for
individuals who are willing to help transport him
to St. Cloud once per month for a medical
appointment. If you are interested in helping,
please sign-up on the Narthex Table.



Food for Kidz

Packing Event
Wednesday, March 6th
6 to 8 pm



Christian
Reformed

Raymond Christian Reformed Church, 202 3rd Avenue South, PO BOX 155, Raymond MN 56282
320-967-4721 website: www.raymondcrc.org email: rcrc@frontiernet.net

Greetings from Pastor Steve & Chris Van Zanen:

Dated 12/29/18

We are so very grateful for your love and support. We loved being with you this summer. WE pray for you and Pastor Aaron and family. Your love, prayers and support are such an encouragement. May God bless your congregation especially in this new year.

Chris

What a blessing it was to watch some of the Christmas festivities at church. When we first moved to Romania 22 years ago, we had to rely on the fax machine! Our visit to Minnesota this summer was wonderful. So great to renew our connection and see little ones grown to adulthood. Christmas is a time to reflect – to ponder in our hearts. The Lord brought a nominal muslim to Faith in Christ this month and we got to be a part of this process! Nothing better. Thanks for all your support and our partnership in mission.

Pastor Steve

Thank You

Thank you for all the prayers and concerns when I had the pace maker surgery. Also, thanks to Pastor Aaron, Michelle and the rest of the elders who came and prayed for me. It is so good to be part of a caring and loving church.

Merle



Statistical Information

2016

7 families
(1) single pregnant females
(3) single parent household
(3) 2 adults in household
16 adults
20 children
36 total people served

2017

28 families
(4) single females
(2) single pregnant females
(12) single parent household
(10) 2 adults in household
36 adults
32 children
68 people served

2018

29 families
(7) single females
(14) single parent household
(8) 2 adults in household
37 adults
44 children
81 total people served

2015 - first guest served 8/17/15; 3 families; (3) single parent household; 3 adults; 6 children; served 9 total people

Sympathy



may your memories
exceed
your sorrow



Our condolences to Elaine Blom in the death of her Brother, Alfred Santjer, who passed away on Sun., Jan. 27th.

Our condolences to Ken and Sharon Blom in the death of their daughter, Cindy Mithun, who passed away on Sun., Feb. 17th.

LIBRARY UPDATE...

We have CD recordings of each Sunday service in the library, if anyone is interested in checking these out.

2018 BOOKS/ DVDs ADDED

<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>TITLE</u>		<u>SERIES</u>	
Susan May Warren	Troubled Waters	#4	Montana Rescue	
Dickinson, Brian	Blind Descent		NOVEL	Donated
Doris VanStone	Dori- Girl Nobody Loved		NOVEL	Donated
Johnnie Alexander	Where She Belongs	#1	Misty Willows Series	
Johnnie Alexander	When Love Arrives	#2	Misty Willows Series	
Francine Rivers	Masterpiece		NOVEL	
Blackstock, Terri	If I Live	#3	If I Run Series	
Johnnie Alexander	What Hope Remembers	#3	Misty Willows Series	
Randel Tara	The Lady in the Attic			Donated
Robert Whitlow	Deeper Water	#1	A Tides of Truth Series	Donated
Robert Whitlow	Higher Hope	#2	A Tides of Truth Series	Donated
Robert Whitlow	Greater Love	#3	A Tides of Truth Series	Donated
Graham, Billy	Hear My Heart		NOVEL	
Herman, Kathy	Only By Death	#2	Ozark Mountain Trilogy	
MULLY	DVD			
MacLaren, Sharlene	Tender Vows		NOVEL	Donated
I CAN ONLY IMAGINE	DVD			
Warren, Susan May	Storm Front	#5	Montana Rescue Series	
Kingsbury, Karen	To the Moon and Back	#3	Baxter Family Series	
Pettrey, Dani	Dead Drift	#4	Chesapeake Valor Series	
Herman, Kathy	A Treacherous Mix	#3	Ozark Mountain Trilogy	
Snelling, Lauraine	The Promise of Dawn	#1	Under Northern Skies	
Snelling, Lauraine	A Breath of Hope	#2	Under Northern Skies	
Kingsbury, Karen	When We Were Young	#4	Baxter Family Series	
THE STAR	DVD			
Warren, Susan May	Wait for Me	#6	Montana Rescue Series	
Snelling, Lauraine	A Season of Grace	#3	Under Northern Skies Series	
Blackburn, Lynn	Beneath the Surface	#1	Dive Team Investigations	Donated
Blackburn, Lynn	In Too Deep	#2	Dive Team Investigations	

WELCOME

Levi William Dressman

Levi was born on Friday, February 1st to Dan & Ashley Dressman in Tampa, FL.

He weighed 7 lbs. and 4 ounces.

Great-Grandma: Marge Groen



Christian Motorcyclists Association (CMA)

Informational Meeting
Saturday, March 9th at 11 am
McMillian's Family Restaurant

*Jim & Jenny Scoates
13156 Big Kandi Dr.
Lake Lillian MN, 56253*

Hello

We would like to introduce ourselves; we are Jim and Jenny Scoates with the Christian Motorcyclists Association, this past year we moved to the Lake Lillian area. We have been with CMA for the past ten years, where we previously resided. We are starting new Christian Motorcyclist Association Ride Group serving the Willmar area.

Ministry of CMA

Vision: Changing the World one Heart at a Time.

We accomplish our vision through:

- Evangelistic outreach primarily, but not exclusively, to the motorcycling community.*
- Run for the Son, where we will partner with ministries with world-reaching potential.*
- Equipping our members in ministry training that aligns itself with Biblical truths.*
- A servant's attitude to the world and to our members (i.e. Here if you need us).*
- Quality products that aid in evangelistic outreach.*
- An effective Work Center support team.*

We would like to have the following information in your weekly or monthly newsletter or bulletin.

We are having a Christian Motorcyclist Association information meeting on March 9th @ 11am at McMillan's Family Restaurant 2620 1st St S, Willmar, MN 56201 (Lunch on your own) please plan on about a 1 hour meeting.

If you or your organization would like more information please call us @ 507-627-5069 or Email: jimjennyscoates@gmail.com

Website www.cmausa.org

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/CMALOJ/>

Thank You

Jim & Jenny Scoates

Read: Psalm 66:16-20

Jack met his friend Brody after school to work on their project for the science fair. “We need to think of a way to show how molecules move around,” said Jack. “Then our project will have a better chance of winning.”

“Yeah,” said Brody. “but how can we show the way molecules move and bang into each other when they’re too small for us to see?”

“I don’t know,” said Jack. “We’ll think of something.” After discussing it a bit more, the boys agreed to think about it for a day or two.

At dinner that evening, Jack’s dad mentioned their friends the Thompsons, who were facing very difficult problems. “They sure need our prayers,” said Dad.

Jack sighed. “Do you really think it helps?” he asked. “It seems like we’ve prayed for them a million times, and I haven’t seen a single change there yet.”

“Don’t underestimate the power of prayer,” said Dad. “You may not see it, but God is working.”

As they ate, Jack told his parents about the project for the science fair. “We learned that everything is made up of tiny particles called molecules, and they’re always in motion,” he said. “Brody and I are trying to figure out how to show the way they move.”

“But who knows if molecules actually move around like that?” asked Dad. “I’ve never seen it! Maybe you should do your project on something else.”

“Dad!” said Jack. “Just because you can’t see something doesn’t mean it’s not happening. Scientists have studied molecules really carefully, and they say they move a lot.”

Mom smiled. “Your father knows that, Jack. I think he’s just trying to give you a new perspective on prayer.”

Dad nodded. “We know molecules are always moving even though we can’t see them, and prayer often works the same way. We have to trust that God is working in the lives of the Thompsons, even though we can’t see it.”

“That’s right,” said Mom. “Sometimes changes re taking place that aren’t visible to us. We need to pray about things that concern us, then trust God and believe. He’s working even when we don’t see what’s happening.”



KEEP PRAYING – GOD IS AT WORK

KEY VERSE

Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

“Keys for Kids”
Devotional

Are you confident that God answers prayer – even when you don’t see anything happening?

He often works in quiet ways, but He’s always working. God says to pray continually, “without ceasing.” Do that. Talk to Him during a daily prayer time and whenever a special need comes to your mind. Know that He hears your prayer and is at work – even when you can’t see the results.