

You Shall Not Lie

James 3:1-12



DEACONS REPORT

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on April 11:

Received for General Ministries:	\$7,711.00
Avg. weekly collection should be:	\$6,445.00
Received for Christian Education:	\$341.00
Avg. weekly collection should be:	\$629.20

Community Offering:

World Renew/Growing Hope \$178.00

Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: 70X7 Life Recovery brings hope to men and women coming home from prison or jail by providing meaningful community, employment success, and a deepening relationship with God. Their vision is to see the collaborative action of church, commerce, and community break the cycle of crime and incarceration. They provide training and instruction that lead to long-term employment, which provide for physical needs. They also set-up mentoring relationships that lead to purpose and potential.

Apr 25: Friendship Ministries (now part of All Belong)

May 2: Mission French Africa – Paul & Charlotte Mpindi

May 9: Women At Risk

May 16: ReFrame Ministries

THIS WEEK

Monday, Apr 19

9am Food Pantry

Tuesday, April 20

9:15am Tuesday Small group

Thursday, Apr 21

7pm Women’s Bible Study (online)

Sunday, April 25

9:30am Worship

10:30am Church School

5:30pm Middle School Youth Group

6:30pm High School Youth Group

COMING UP

WORSHIP COMMITTEE, Apr 26

ELDERS/DEACONS, Apr 27

LIFE SKILLS, Apr 27

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Sherri DeVries (Custodian)

Liz Boerman (Admin Assistant)

TODAY: The ninth commandment is about more than telling the truth; it is about living with an honest integrity which fully embraces all that God created you to be.

NEXT WEEK: The eighth commandment is about more than taking things that do not belong to you; it is about the way our sense of entitlement gets in the way of generosity.

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April 18, 2021

Welcome!
We are glad you are here!

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME in our service

Also available during worship

- Nursery for infants & toddlers
- “Busy Boxes” with kid’s bulletin & activities
- Puzzle & sermon notes written by Pastor Tom for students Grades 3 & up (found by weekly bulletins)

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & SONGSHEETS are available at the sound booth

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

God's Will For Our Lives

Children's Message *(Jayme Morren)*

Children age 3yrs - 5th grade are invited to come forward and choose a hoop to sit in as they hear a special message.

Prayers of the People

Scripture *James 3:1-12*

³ *Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. ² We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check.*

³ *When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. ⁴ Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. ⁵ Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. ⁶ The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell.*

⁷ *All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind, ⁸ but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison.*

⁹ *With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. ¹⁰ Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be. ¹¹ Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring? ¹² My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.*

Message "Invitation to Live [you shall not lie]"

*Speak O Lord
Everlasting God
Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee*

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY:

9:30am Worship

10:30am Church School

CHURCH LIFE

BIRTHDAYS

For a list of upcoming birthdays, please see the mid-week for a link, or pick up a paper copy at the Welcome Desk.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION DAY

On May 16 we will recognize graduates of high school, college, and beyond. Please complete an information sheet and send a digital photo to lboerman@fellowshipcrc.com by May 2. Information sheets were e-mailed to families of high school seniors. If you have a student who will graduate from college or grad school, an information sheet can be found at the Welcome desk.

THANK YOU -Shoebboxes

Thank you for all the gifts and treats! I enjoyed reading your letters and notes of encouragement with bible verses. Thank you for thinking of me.
~ Michael VanFarowe

THANK YOU

GEMS Girls Clubs, The Calvinist Cadet Corps, Harbor House Ministries, and the CRCNA-Race Relations have expressed their appreciation for Fellowship's support through our community offerings and prayers.

PRAYER FOCUS

Recent Updates:

- Continue to pray for **Valerie Fleming**. Last week when she had emergency gall bladder surgery, a nodule was found on her lung. She has an appointment on April 20 with a lung specialist. Pray for Valerie during this uncertain time.

Outreach:

- For **70x7** as they work with men and women returning home from prison, seeking to find meaningful community, employment and relationship with God.

Continuing Needs:

- Remember in prayer those who are not able to worship with us on Sundays and have restrictions on visitors: **Gloria DeWitte, Caroline Dik, Lois Oom, and Rachel Tjoelker**.
- Remember in your prayers those who have ongoing health needs and concerns: **Rick Carter, Jean Cisler, Valerie Fleming, Len Koetje, Gary Roode, Arv & Pearl Tap, Mary Visser, Tom & Donna Westra**.

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER

LIFESKILLS

We are hoping **April 27** will be our first evening back. This is contingent on Covid meeting recommendations. Our plan is to require masks and maintain small class sizes so we can keep distance between household's. Please continue to pray for the Life Skills ministry. **Laura VanderPloeg** (tlvanderploeg@gmail.com) would love to talk about ways you can be involved.

BACKPACK BUDDIES

THANK YOU for your continued support for this ministry through food and offerings.

Food items we are need of that have not been available lately are;

- Nutrigrain Bars*
- Fruit cups (no applesauce needed currently)*
- Snacks (granola bars, fruit snacks, pretzels etc.)*

If you wish to donate, food items can be placed in the wooden box in the narthex and cash can be donated anytime through the deacons.

LOVE INC FOOD PANTRY

We are open on Mondays from 9am-3pm. Thanks to your ongoing support of donations.

Did you know that we can earn money for the food pantry by collecting Family Fare receipts? We are getting closer to our goal, so please continue to drop your *Family Fare receipts* into the slot at the Welcome desk - these are added up each week as we work toward our goal!