

# Astonishing Shalom

Isaiah 55:1-13



## FROM THE DEACONS

Thank You to the congregation for the gifts received Feb 26-Mar 10:

Received for general ministries:	\$ 20,795.98
Received for Christian Education:	\$ 1,415.80
Community Offering:	
Desert Streams (Lont)	\$ 172.00
Benevolence	\$ 154.79
Roosevelt Park	\$ 105.51
Backpack Buddies	\$ 100.00
FCRC Food Pantry	\$ 70.00
Kids Hope USA	\$ 20.51
DMS	\$ 20.00

For January and Feb of 2024: We have collected \$5637 less than what we have spent.

## Community Offerings

### TODAY: Denominational Ministry Shares (DMS)

The Christian Reformed Church uses ministry shares to fund a variety of ministry programs that start new churches, train servant leaders, support chaplains, resource congregations, and reach out to our neighbors through media and evangelism.

When you give to the ministry shares program you help spread the Gospel around the world. You also support churches within the denomination that need help or are looking to grow their ministry.

<https://www.crcna.org/MinistryShares>

Mar 24,31: Guiding Light

Apr 7: Resonate Global Mission (Rodriguez)

## THIS WEEK

### Monday, Mar 18

### Tuesday, Mar 19

9:15am "Path to the Cross" Small Group  
6pm Life Skills  
7pm Exec

### Wednesday, Mar 20

9am lent Small Group  
"40 Day to a Closer Walk with God"  
7pm Worship Rehearsal

### Thursday, Mar 21

### Friday, Mar 22

### Saturday, Mar 23

### Sunday, Mar 24

*Palm Sunday*  
9:30am Worship  
10:45am Church School  
10:45am Adult Bible Study

## COMING UP

Mar 25 Elders  
Deacons

Mar 28 Maundy Thursday Service

Apr 8 Exec

Apr 21 Combined Worship Service  
Youth Group

## STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)  
Barb Sanders (Care Ministry)  
Andrew Lenhart (Worship)  
Barb Van Ryn (Youth Ministry)  
Laura Williams (Admin Assistant)  
Katherine Sneller (Custodian)

**TODAY:** God's salvation shalom is beyond our understanding, yet at the same time we are invited to witness and participate in all that God is doing to restore his world.

**NEXT WEEK:** Shalom – Journey with the prophets

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# March 17, 2024



## Welcome!

## We are glad you are here!

## CHILDREN ARE WELCOME in our service

*Also available during worship:*

Nursery for infants & toddlers;

"Busy Bags" with kid's 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

*Great are You Lord  
The Praise Is Yours  
Holy Is The Lord*

### Prayers of the People

**Scripture** *Isaiah 55:1-13*

\*\*Scripture Passage may be found on page 1148 in the Bibles beneath your seat.

**Message** “Astonishing Shalom”

*As The Deer  
Enough  
Build My Life*

### God’s Parting Blessing

#### TODAY

*Easter Flower Orders Due*  
9:30am Worship  
10:45am Church School  
10:45am Adult Bible Study  
4:30pm Youth Group-Middle School  
6pm Youth Group-High School

## CHURCH LIFE

**Would you like to dive deeper into the scripture passage for the message? Expanded SERMON NOTES are available at the tables in the lobby.**

**EASTER FLOWERS** Easter Flower order forms are in your mailboxes and at the Information Center. There is also an online order form accessible through the link in the midweek (payment instructions on form). If you would like to purchase flowers, please have completed order form and payment to the marked slot at the Information center or to the office by **TODAY, Sunday, March 17**. Thank You!

**SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR COMBINED SERVICE** Three wonderful congregations, all united in their love for God, will be coming together for a combined Worship Service on Sunday, April 21 at 10:00 AM in the Calvin Christian High School gymnasium. Fellowship, Ivanrest, and South Grandville CRCs are all eagerly looking forward to this event. Mark your calendars and get ready to experience the joy of worshiping together!

**PEACE OF MIND SEMINAR** A Peace of Mind Seminar, presented by MKD Funeral Homes, is scheduled to be at Fellowship on Sunday, May 5, at 11am, with lunch provided. More information coming.

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY** The class is in Room 10, and it will begin around 15 minutes after the end worship and will end 45 minutes later. All are welcome to attend. Questions? Contact **Mike Philo** (LMPHILO@aol.com) or **Dave Cook** (dcook0104@gmail.com).

**BUILDING & GROUNDS UPDATE** **Mike Campo** has joined the Building and Grounds Committee. The current members: **Mike Philo** (co-chair), **Gordon Bell** (co-chair), **Diane Ronda** (secretary), **Jeff DeWitte** look forward to Mike's contributions to the committee. If you have any interest, there is still room for more members.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** Happy Birthday to **Arv Tap** who will celebrate his birthday on March 22. We give thanks for his life and may he know the gift of God’s faithful presence with each new day.

★ Keep up to date with all the activity of the Church Renewal Lab at [www.fellowshipcrc.com/crl](http://www.fellowshipcrc.com/crl).

## PRAYER FOCUS

- Continue to pray for those with ongoing health needs and concerns: Rick Aardema, Jayne Barnhill (**Sandy Campo**’s sister), **Jean Cister**, **Lois Oom**, Katherine Sneller, **Rachel Tjoelker**, Barb Voskuil (**Carole Dykstra**’s sister).
- For **Denomination Ministries** as they support new churches, train leaders, supply church and worship resources and training, chaplains, missionaries, and much, much more in the Christian Reformed Church.
- For the **LOVE Food Pantry** and the families that receive support through this ministry.

## MISSIONS AND COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

The Missions and Community Connections Committee would like to celebrate our missionaries:

**David and Sara Lont with Desert Streams Ministries, Paul and Charlotte Mpindi with Mission French Africa, and Jesse and Jari Rodriguez with Satisfied Wages for Nicaragua in a new way.**

**They are our hands and feet in different countries as they spread God’s Word. We will be more intentional in updating everyone with news and prayer requests.**

**Our Community Offerings for our missionaries will now be scheduled on the first Sunday of every month which will be designated Missionary Sunday.**

**FOOD PANTRY** We had **8** visitors this week, and are once again in need of a few items!

#### Our Needs Are:

crackers	pancake mix	pancake syrup	hearty soups
peanut butter juice (orange, apple)	gravy	jam	tea
ketchup	salad dressing	honey	pop tarts
diced tomatoes	SPAM	beef stew	kid’s cereal
canned meats (tuna, chicken)	tuna helper	hand soap	
paper towels	facial tissue	toilet paper	
body wash	dishwashing liquid	laundry detergent	

\*monetary donations can be made through the deacons.

**Thank you** to everyone who has donated to the pantry!

**BACKPACK BUDDIES** We are currently collecting for March.

#### Our current needs:

snacks: granola bars, rice krispie treats, fruit snacks, cheese or peanut butter crackers, etc.  
fruit: applesauce, small boxes of raisins (bags of 12 little boxes are great)  
canned chunky soups  
canned chicken  
Nutrigrain bars  
\*Cash donations can be made through the deacons.  
\*Food donations can be placed in the wooden box in the narthex.

We couldn’t do this ministry without you. Your donations are very appreciated!

**Sandy Campo**