

## *Schedule of Events*

### **Today**

**Nursery** – Paula Meyers, Patti Weesies

**Refreshments** – Mark & Patti Weesies, Jeremy Meyers

**Huntley Brown Concert** – 6:00 pm at New Era Bible Church

### **Next Week**

#### **Sunday**

**Nursery** – Mary VanderWerp, Mary Weesies

**Refreshments** – Bob & Ruth Eekhoff, John & Ashley Medendorp

**Evening Service** – 6:00 pm

## *Important Dates*

August 17 – Children's Worship Volunteer Meeting – 7:00 pm

August 18 – Friday Family Fire – 6:00 pm at the Church Fire Pit

August 22 - Farmer's Market - 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

## *Contact Information*

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Announcements are due by 3 PM on Thursdays to ensure they are printed in the weekly bulletin.

**Custodian/Church Use** – Contact Jacque Weesies at 517-525-4787.

**Prayer Requests** – Contact Diane Adema at [diane.adema@gmail.com](mailto:diane.adema@gmail.com).



## ***New Era Christian Reformed Church***

*"Growing in Relationship with God, with Each Other,  
and with our Community"*



*Pastor John C. Medendorp*

**Sunday, August 13, 2023**

**Worship Service at 9:30 am**

**1820 Ray Avenue - New Era, MI 49446  
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*Ordinary Time*  
*Sunday, August 13, 2023*

**Order of Worship**

Welcome  
Call To Worship  
\*God's Greeting  
\*Songs of Praise

Psalm 119:33-40

***We Sing the Mighty Power of God  
You Are My King  
Imagine***

Confession & Assurance From Romans 8  
Passing the Peace ***Blest Be the Tie That Binds***

Children's Message  
Children's Song  
Children's Message  
Offering

***Oh How Good is Christ the Lord***

World Missions

Congregational Prayer  
Memory Verse Proverbs 3:5-6

**“Trust in the LORD with all your heart,  
and lean not on your own understanding.  
In all your ways acknowledge him,  
and he will make your paths straight.”**

Scripture Reading Proverbs 11:9-31  
Sermon Living Together Well

\*Closing Song ***God of Grace and God of Glory***

\*Blessing  
\*Doxology ***My Friends May You Grow in Grace***

*Announcements*

- **Council** met this past Wednesday, August 9. Highlights will be printed in next week's bulletin.

- **Hymn Concert** World-renowned pianist and hymnodist Huntley Brown will perform in concert at the New Era Bible Church on Sunday, August 13 at 6:00 pm. All are welcome to join this old-fashioned hymn sing and concert at 5308 S Oceana Drive. A love offering will be taken.

- **Children's Worship** Volunteers will be meeting at the church on August 17 at 7:00 pm to plan for the coming year. If you are interested in helping with Children's Worship on Sunday mornings, please contact Sharon Zoller.

- **Friday Family Fire** Join Pastor John and Ashley at the church fire pit on Friday, August 18 at 6:00 pm for hot dogs and s'mores. Bring seating and drinks for your family. Invite your friends!

- **Congratulations** to Nathan Bruinsma and Taylor Hunley who were married in Grand Rapids on Friday, August 4, 2023. May your love and wisdom grow with each passing year. Nate and Taylor are living at 15100 Cranberry Lane, Cedar Springs, MI 49319.

- **Farmer's Market** We are 2/3 through the market season and I just wanted to thank all of you for continuously volunteering for set up, tear down, working token booths, or however you have helped make the 2023 markets a huge success. We are making a difference in our community. – Sandy Whitaker

- Elizabeth TenBrink has been moved to McAuley Place in Muskegon for rehab following her surgery. She is doing well and visits are welcome. Her **address** is : 1380 E. Sherman Blvd, Muskegon, MI 49444. Phone is: 231-672-2569.

*Offering Report - Sunday, August 6, 2023*

Total Offering - \$2,974      Benevolence - \$25      World Missions -\$184

Today's Offering – Personal Care Pantry  
Next Week's Offering – Benevolence

## **God of Grace and God of Glory**

1 God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your power; crown your ancient church's story, bring its bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn the Christ, assail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days, for the living of these days.

3 Cure your children's warring madness; bend our pride to your control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss your kingdom's goal, lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

4 Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of your salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving you whom we adore, serving you whom we adore.

## **My Friends May You Grow in Grace**

My friends, may you grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior. My friends, may you grow in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ. To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen. To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen.

## *Worship Notes*

### **Morning Service**

This summer we are exploring the Old Testament book of Proverbs. The Proverbs are "wise sayings" from ancient Israel. The wise living they describe begins with the "fear of the Lord" and promises to lead to fulfillment and contentment. Today, Pastor John will preach on "Living Together Well" from Proverbs 11:9-31.

### **Evening Service**

There is no evening service tonight due to the Huntley Brown concert at 6:00 pm at the New Era Bible Church.

### **Next Week**

In the morning, Pastor John will preach on "The Way of Life" from Proverbs 12. In the evening we will explore Lord's Day 46 of the Heidelberg Catechism, on why we call God "Our Father."

## *Prayer Requests*

- For those who cannot currently worship with us in person: Paul Mulder, Cliff Prince, Elizabeth (Betty) TenBrink, Agnes Wybenga, and others.
- For all who journey with cancer: Henry Hoekstra, Sarah Samuelson, and others.
- For all who journey with mental health, depression, anxiety, and dementia.
- For all who live under the threat of war and violence in Ukraine, Burkina Faso, the province of Manipur in India, Sudan, Israel and Palestine, and so many other places. Come quickly, Lord Jesus!
- For our congregation and leadership, as we seek to begin a Latino Outreach ministry. Pray that God will continue to bless our church and help us grow deeper in relationship.
- For our sponsored missionaries: Pablo & Sheryl Canchè in Mexico City, Jeffrey & Evelyn Hough in Muskegon, Jeff & Kristi Schmidt with Wycliffe Bible Translators, Bob & Marcia Vermaire in Sierra Leone, and the many church planters we partner with through Mission India.

## **We Sing the Mighty Power of God**

1 We sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise, that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies. We sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day; the moon shines full at his command, and all the stars obey.

2 We sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food; he formed the creatures with his word and then pronounced them good. Lord, how your wonders are displayed, where'er we turn our eyes, if we survey the ground we tread or gaze upon the skies.

3 There's not a plant or flower below but makes your glories known, and clouds arise and tempests blow by order from your throne; while all that borrows life from you is ever in your care, and everywhere that we can be, you, God, are present there.

## **You are My King**

I'm forgiven because you were forsaken. I'm accepted; you were condemned. I'm alive and well, your Spirit is within me because you died and rose again.

***Refrain*** Amazing love, how can it be that you, my King, would die for me? Amazing love, I know it's true; it's my joy to honor you. Amazing love, how can it be that you, my King, would die for me? Amazing love, I know it's true; it's my joy to honor you. In all I do I honor you. You are my king. You are my king. (Jesus) You are my king. (Jesus) You are my king. Amazing love, how can it be that you, my King, would die for me? Amazing love, I know it's true; it's my joy to honor you. Amazing love, how can it be that you, my King, would die for me? Amazing love, I know it's true; it's my joy to honor you. In all I do I honor you.

## **Imagine**

1 Who hears? Who hears the voice of the hungry, the thirsty? Who sees? Who sees the tears of the suffering ones?

2 Who knows? Who knows the hopes that lie hidden, forgotten? Who comes? Who comes to lead all the children home?

***Refrain*** Imagine a King who would come through the darkness and walk, where I walk, full of greatness, and call me to his side, just like a father and child.

## **Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

2 Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

5 This glorious hope revives our courage by the way; while each in expectation lives and waits to see the day.

## **Oh How Good is Christ the Lord**

***Spanish*** Oh, qué bueno es Jesús. Que por mí murió\_en la cruz. Mis pecados perdonó. A su nombre gloria. A su nombre gloria. A su nombre gloria. En tres días resucitó. A su nombre gloria.

***English*** Oh, how good is Christ the Lord! On the cross he died for me. He has pardoned all my sin. Glory be to Jesus. Glory be to Jesus! Glory be to Jesus! In three days he rose again. Glory be to Jesus