

New Era CRC ~ Sunday ~ May 23, 2021

Welcome to all who are worshiping with us today!

As we gather together in response to our Lord's call to worship, may we hear His Word with gladness, respond with hearts of love and gratitude, and go forth from this place with renewed commitment to serve Him every day.

SCHEDULE

TODAY 9:30AM - MORNING WORSHIP

Pentecost is the pouring out of God's Holy Spirit into the hearts of his people.

TODAY we celebrate this new God with Us, each of Us, through the indwelling of his Spirit. The effects of the Holy Spirit are life changing. How effective is the work of the Holy Spirit in your life? How is your life changing?

If you are at home and would like to join us in worship via live stream click on this link <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsJnzI7vpo5Hr9u3dxOULcA> after 9:20AM and you should be able to watch the service live. You should also be able to watch the service at a later time by clicking on the same link.

"**Let the Little Children Come to Me...**" Due to COVID our nursery is currently closed; but our upper room has been set aside to accommodate for families with infants and active children. As always the main sanctuary (worship center) is open to all who prefer.

6:00PM - EVENING WORSHIP GATHERING

TEXT: Nehemiah 5

Join us for a time of Prayer, Praise, and Listening to God's Word!

THURSDAY: May 27, 6:30PM - New Era Christian School Spring Program

PRAYER CONCERNS

Continue to pray for countries around the world where COVID is hitting hard and there are not adequate or available resources for treatment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We express our sympathy to Dan and Sandy Whitaker in the passing of their sister-in-law Joan Moffit from COVID and COVID related issues. Joan passed away on Mother's Day.

(CONT'D ANNOUNCEMENTS)

Covenant Plan Committee: The Covenant Plan paperwork for the 2021/2022 school year is being emailed and also will be available by the mail boxes in the back of church. Please fill out the papers and return to the box in the back of church labeled faith Promise Sheets, or give to a Deacon. We need to have these returned by June 1 to activate the Covenant Plan for next year. Thanks in advance for a quick response! Thank you for the prayers and support for Covenant Plan all these years. You have all helped many children receive a Christian Education!

Karin Clinics (of Karin Community Initiatives of Uganda, KCIU News! For all who participate in prayer and financial support and all who may want to join in support of KCIU: **World Renew, Uganda (WRU)** and Roger and Joan Sikkenga have sent letters to supporting congregations to explain the God-directed parting of the ways after a two year "exploratory partnership". This is not a bad separation, but good. The vision of each healthcare ministry is different, and WRU felt that the partnership may even hinder the good work KCIU undertakes.

Please take and read the letters, located on the Ministry News Shelf.

Note that your method of financial support is changing beginning July 1, 2021. Donations will be processed through Third CRC of Kalamazoo. In Roger's letter, you will be guided in how to continue your contributions to Karin Clinics. Roger and Joan conclude with "Thank you very much for your continuing support of God's work in Northern Uganda. Rogandjoans@gmail.com
269-312-2502 or 269-743-9213

You are invited to attend the New Era Christian School Spring Program on May 27 at 6:30 pm.

You are also invited to celebrate with the Class of 2021 as they will be honored with a graduation ceremony on June 3 at 7:00 pm in the school gym.

Offering Report - May 16, 2021

Total Offering - \$7,211.00

General Fund - \$6,755.00 Love INC - \$406.00 Benevolence \$50.00

OFFERING SCHEDULE for MAY-2021

TODAY- Personal Care Pantry

May 30 - General Fund

OFFERING SCHEDULE for JUNE - 2021

June 6 - General Fund

June 13 - Missions

June 20 - Love INC

June 27 - General Fund

Order of Worship ~ Pastor Greg Dyk

Prelude

God Calls Us Into Worship

Welcome and Call to Worship

Opening Songs: ***"Open the Eyes of My Heart"***

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see you, I want to see you. (repeat)

To see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory.
Pour out your power and love as we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy.
I want to see you. (repeat)

PsH#424:1, 2 ***"Spirit of the Living God"***

*God's Greeting

*Song of Praise: PsH#244:1, 2, 3 ***"God Himself is With Us"***

Prayer of Confession and God's Assurance

God's Will for Our Life

Song: PsH#419:1, 3, 5 ***"Spirit of God, Who Dwells within My Heart"***

To Give Thanks

Congregational Prayer

To Listen to His Word

Scripture - 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

Message: *"Holy Spirit Under-Standing"*

Prayer

*Song: PsH#473:1, 2, 3 ***"To God Be the Glory"***

To Go out and Serve

*God's Blessing

*Sending Song: ***"We Receive Your Blessing"***

We receive your blessing; we receive your grace, as we walk in the light shining from your face. May the peace that you give change the way that we live. We receive your blessing as we leave this place. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise him, all creatures here below. Praise him above, you heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and praise the Holy Ghost. (repeat)

We receive your blessing as we leave this place.

