

### Important Dates

June 6 – Covenant CRC Bike Group Dinner

June 7 – Covenant CRC Bike Group Breakfast

June 17 – Camp Tall Turf Open House and 5K

June 17 – Juneteenth Service – Angel Community Church

### Accessibility

A T-Loop hearing system is installed throughout the sanctuary. To use, switch your hearing device to the “T” position. Our service is also available online for live-stream and recording at You Tube. Search “New Era Christian Reformed Church” on You Tube to locate the service.

### Offering Report – Sunday, May 28, 2023

Total Offering - \$9,880.05

Benevolence - \$5

Farmer's Market - \$50

Community Garden - \$132.05

Today's Offering – Benevolence

Next Week's Offering – World Renew

### 2023 Council Members of New Era CRC:

**President** - Mark Weesies    **Vice President** – Dave Zoller    **Clerk** – Scott Meyers    **Treasurer** – Jeremy Meyers

**Chairman of the Deacons** – Bob Bush

**Growing in Relationship with God:** Elder – Dave Zoller, Deacon – Bob Bush

**Growing in Relationship with Each Other:** Elder – Bob Eekhoff, Deacon – Chris Martin

**Growing in Relationship with Community:** Elder – Mark Weesies, Deacon – Diane Adema

**Pastor Information** – Pastor John Medendorp - Email – [pastor.necrc@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.necrc@gmail.com), Cell – 231-284-8245

**Bulletin Announcements** can be sent to Bekah Goodrich at [necrc.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:necrc.secretary@gmail.com), Cell - 231-450-0410

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

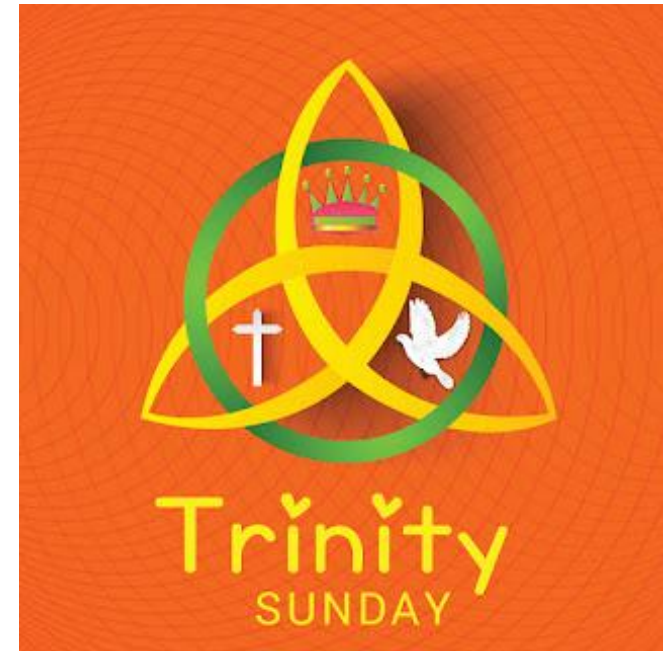
**Custodian/Church Use** – Contact Jacque Weesies at 517-525-4787.

**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, June 4, 2023**

**Worship Service at 9:30 am and 6:00 pm**

**1820 Ray Avenue - New Era, MI 49446**

**(231- 861-5554) [www.neweracrc.org](http://www.neweracrc.org)**

## *Ordinary Time*

*Sunday, June 4, 2023*

### **Order of Worship**

Prelude  
Welcome  
Call To Worship  
\*God's Greeting  
Scripture Reading  
\*Songs of Praise  
  
Prayer of Adoration  
Confession of Faith  
Assurance of Pardon  
\*Passing the Peace  
  
Special Music  
Children's Blessing  
Church Family Time  
Offering  
Congregational Prayer  
  
\*Song of Preparation  
Prayer for Illumination  
Scripture Reading  
Sermon  
\*Closing Song  
\*Blessing  
\*Doxology

John 17:20-23

***Holy, Holy, Holy  
Uyai Mose***

***They'll Know We Are Christians***

***Jesus Loves Me***  
(Children invited to Children's Church)

**Benevolence**

***Blessed Jesus, at Your Word***  
  
1 Corinthians 12:1-13  
Many, and One  
***The Church's One Foundation (AURELIA)***

***Glory Be to the Father***

## *Schedule of Events & Worship Notes*

### **Today**

**Nursery** – Margaret Bruinsma, Ashley Medendorp  
**Refreshments** – Dan & Mary Mulder, Ruben & Debra Gaitan  
**Evening Service** – 6:00 pm

### **Next Week**

#### **Sunday**

**Nursery** – Mary Weesies, Amy Weesies  
**Refreshments** – Scott & Paula Meyers, Chris & Colby Martin  
**Evening Service** – 6:00 pm

### **Morning Service**

The season after Pentecost is called "Ordinary Time", a long season of the year stretching through the whole summer and fall until next Advent. During this season, Christians around the world focus on discipleship, growth, witness, and scripture. The first Sunday of Ordinary Time is called "Trinity Sunday", an opportunity for us to focus on the biblical reality that the one true God reveals himself to us in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. These three persons together form one true God. Pastor John will be preaching from 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 on how the people of God reflect the Three-in-One by pursuing unity that recognizes and embraces our diversity.

### **Evening Service**

About once a month, we welcome community partners to our evening service to help us better understand the unique challenges and opportunities facing our community. This Sunday evening, we welcome Aaron Pulsifer from Mid-Michigan Community Action Agency. MMCAA aims to guide residents to self-sufficiency through empowerment, education, and community enrichment. They provide programs and services related to housing, material assistance, childcare and education, taxes and finances, and food insecurity. Join us for a conversation about the unique challenges and opportunities facing Oceana county residents, and how the body of Christ can begin to work toward change.

### **Next Week**

Next Sunday we welcome Rev. Mark Deckinga to our pulpit. Pastor Mark has served the church as a hospital chaplain in Indiana for over 20 years and now serves Trinity Health (formerly Mercy) Hospital in Muskegon. He has also served churches in Iowa and Colorado.

## *Prayer Requests*

- For Cliff and the entire Prince family in your prayers, Ellen went home to be with the Lord Thursday morning. At this time, the family is still finalizing funeral arrangements.
- For all who journey with cancer: John Davila, Henry Hoekstra, 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 the Synod of the Christian Reformed Church in North America, the annual meeting of our denomination. Synod 2023 will meet at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, MI, June 8-15, for prayer, deliberation, and governance. Please pray for all the delegates, for the staff and churches of the CRCNA throughout the US and Canada, for the Holy Spirit's presence and guidance throughout the week, and for the name of Jesus Christ to be honored and glorified.
- For the delegates to Synod 2023 from our regional body of churches, Classis Muskegon: Rev. Drew Sweetman of First CRC, Fremont; Rev. Tim Blackmon of Second CRC, Grand Haven; Elder Pat Cavanaugh of First CRC, Grand Haven; and Deacon Heidi Sytsema of Bethany CRC, Muskegon.
- For Ken Prince, son of Cliff and Ellen Prince, who is in the hospital again with health complications.
- For Eli VanderVelde and Holly Binns, as they prepare to exchange their marriage vows next Saturday.

## *Announcements*

~ **Hosting Bike Group** New Era CRC will host the youth group of Covenant CRC in Cutlerville on the first night of their annual bike tour on the evening of Tuesday, June 6. We are looking for volunteers to prepare dinner on June 6 and breakfast on June 7. If you are interested, please contact Jacque Weesies, 517-525-4787.

~ Join us for the **Camp Tall Turf Open House and 5K** on Saturday, June 17 from 10 am – 4 pm at 6947 East Scout Road, Walkerville, MI 49459. All are welcome to tour the camp on Campbell Lake and learn about Camp Tall Turf's 50-year ministry of reconciliation between God, people, and creation. Facilities are available for Youth Camp, Family Camp, Retreats, Parties, Weddings, and Team Building. The 5K starts at 10 AM through the woods and lakefront. Register for the 5K at [tinyurl.com/msswuuk2](https://tinyurl.com/msswuuk2).

~ From the Deacons: Most of us are aware that our church has a Benevolence fund. As Deacons at New Era CRC we want to help meet the needs of our community, and also our church members. If you see a need in our community, or you have a need of your own, please talk to a Deacon. Thank you.

~ **Juneteenth Celebration** Angel Community Church and Allen Avenue CRC will host a special Juneteenth service at Angel (446 Ada Ave., Muskegon) on Saturday, June 17, at 5:00 pm to celebrate unity and freedom in Christ. Juneteenth celebrates the end of slavery in the United States during the Civil War. An ice cream social will follow the service.

~ **Pastor Vacation** Pastor John and Ashley will be in Grand Rapids June 8-15 for Synod.

~**Council Executive** will meet on June 7 at 7:30 pm to set the agenda for the full council meeting on June 14. Please direct all communication to the clerk, Scott Meyers.

~**Wedding Ceremony** Eli VanderVelde and Holly Binns will exchange their vows and be united in marriage on Saturday, June 17 at 4:00 pm at the church, with Pastor John officiating. Please keep Eli and Holly, and the VanderVelde and Binns families, in your prayers as they prepare for this special day.