

NOVEMBER 24, 2019

FINDING OUR VOICE

Prelude

* Call to Worship: "Today is the Day"

* Songs of Praise:

"Death Was Arrested"

"No Longer Slaves"

* Prayer and Salutation

SHARING OUR HEARTS

11:00am Service:

Infant Baptisms:

- Laken Donze VanEck (son of Jamison and Kendra)
- Brooks Jamison VanEck (son of Jamison and Kendra)

Congregational Prayer/Offertory Prayer

Offering/Offertory: "Good Grace"

(Children ages 3—Kindergarten are dismissed for Children and Worship.)

FOCUSING OUR THOUGHTS

Prayer for Blessing on the Word of God

Scripture: **2 Thessalonians 3:1-5** (pg. 1,176 in the Pew Bible)

Message: "Temporary Insomnia" Rev. Shawn Hulst

Prayer of Application

DEPARTING TO SERVE

* Song of Response: "How Marvelous (I Stand Amazed)"

(Please remain seated while Reverse Offering Slips are distributed for Kid's Food Basket.)

- * Benediction
- * Closing Song: "How Marvelous (I Stand Amazed)" (Reprise)
- * Postlude
- * Please stand if you are able

<u>WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FRC!</u> Is this your first visit—or are you new to the Hudsonville area? Feel free to fill out a blue welcome card (they are located in the pew). Bring it to the Information Desk for both a smile and a welcome gift. Additionally, a Nursery and Nursing Room are available for your convenience. And, individual-use hearing devices are located at the Information Desk. There is always an opportunity to worship, grow, and serve at FRC. Find the latest details by downloading the FRC App (Fellowship Hudsonville), by checking out our website (frchudsonville.org), or by visiting our Facebook Page (Fellowship Reformed Church).

STAFF NEWS

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed on Thursday, November 28, and Friday, November 29, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS for the December 1 bulletin are due on Tuesday, November 26, at 4:00pm.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE:</u> TODAY, November 24, is the last day to return your unwrapped gift for the Love INC Christmas Tree. Thank you to all who have taken an ornament and returned a gift. They will be delivered on November 25.

THE ROSE ARRANGEMENT, located this morning near the Baptismal Font, represents FRC's 17 Baptisms this year. This morning we celebrate the Baptisms of Laken Donze VanEck and Brooks Jamison VanEck.

REVERSE OFFERING SLIPS FOR KID'S FOOD BASKET will be distributed today during the morning services. If you would like, take a slip, purchase the item(s) listed on the slip, and return them to the table in the lobby by next Sunday, December 1.

FRIENDS-AT-HOME CHRISTMAS CARDS: Please consider giving a Christmas Card to each Friend-At-Home listed on the weekly yellow prayer insert. Please drop the cards off in the church lobby on Sunday, December 1, and Sunday, December 8. A container with their name and picture will be conveniently displayed for you to drop off the cards. The cards will be personally delivered on December 9 and 10.

CONSISTORY MEMBERS: Please pick up your packet today (November 24) from your mailbox in the Office Copy Room.

<u>A COPY OF THE DECEMBER NEWSLETTER</u> has been placed in your mailbox. Additional copies for our guests are available at the Information Desk.

FAMILY NIGHT for all ages will not meet this Wednesday, November 27. We will resume on Wednesday, December 4.

THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR CHILDREN IN WORSHIP on Sunday, December 1.

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE: Join us on Wednesday, November 27, at 7:00pm for worship and praise as we recount the blessings of God—and as we generously give and receive our Annual Thanksgiving Offering for the following ministries: World Renew, Bethany Christian Services, and There is Hope/Malawi, Africa.

NURSERY HELP NEEDED: Volunteers are needed for our Thanksgiving Eve service on Wednesday, November 27, at 7:00pm, our Children's Christmas Program on Sunday, December 8, at 6:00pm, and our first Christmas Eve service at 5:00pm. Sign up on the sheet located on the Adult Activities Bulletin Board if you can help.

<u>ELDER'S MEETING</u>: If you would like to make your Confession or Reaffirmation of Faith in Jesus Christ—or, if you would like to request Baptism—please plan to meet with our Elders and Pastors on Sunday, December 1, at 4:00pm in Room 107. Enter the church at Door C, D, or E. Those wishing to transfer their Church Membership into FRC should contact the church that currently holds their membership papers and request a transfer. Contact the Church Office at 669-1213 with any questions.

OUR CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM will be on Sunday, December 8, during the evening service at 6:00pm. Mark your calendars and plan to attend this fun evening as the children of FRC tell the Christmas story through songs and drama. Nursery will be provided.

<u>CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE</u> for ALL Sunday School children age 3 through 3rd grade and 4th-6th graders in the drama is on Saturday, December 7, from 9:00-10:30am. Because this is our only full practice, it is VERY important that your children attend. If your child has a speaking part and cannot attend, please email Vicki Victory at vvictory@frchudsonville.org.

<u>OUR ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING</u> will be held on Sunday, December 8, at 9:45am in the Fellowship Hall; we will be voting at this meeting. On Sunday, December 1, all FRC Confessing Members are encouraged to attend an informational presentation in the Fellowship Hall; we will review the proposed budget and be introduced to the Consistory nominees. Nursery will be provided during the Congregational Informational Meeting on December 1 for children through age 3. A movie and activities will be provided for children age 4 through 6th grade in the Youth Room.

<u>CONSISTORY NOMINATIONS:</u> The following men have been nominated for the Office of Elder: Tom Beltman, Ron Borst, Dave Feenstra, Tim Gortsema, Les Holwerda, and Doug VanHill. The following men have been nominated for the Office of Deacon: Roger Huisingh, Brad Kleinjans, Jeff VanHouten, and Joe Wyn. Profiles of these men, along with a copy of the proposed 2020 budget, are in your mailbox.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS: Contact Linda Folkert at lfolkert@frchudsonville.org or 669-1213 if you are unable to attend the Congregational Meeting on December 8 and would like to vote by way of an absentee ballot. Once contacted, she will place an absentee ballot in your mailbox. Completed absentee ballots should be returned to the box on the Information Desk.

FALL FUNDRAISER ORDER PICK-UP: All who completed an online order or turned in an order sheet will need to pick their order up from the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, December 7, from 9:00-11:00am. We raised \$4,271! Thank you for your orders!

<u>ATTENTION FRC MEMBERS:</u> Do you remember what it was like to be new at school, at work, in the neighborhood, in town, or at church? Please remember that we have many guests attending FRC weekly that might not know anyone. Please seek out people you don't know and introduce yourself. Make a difference in the life of someone this holiday season; welcome someone you do not know. Let's show the love of Christ to all—and perhaps make a new friend.

NURSERY CHECK-IN TEAM: We are in urgent need of two nursery check-in team people. You would be on a team of 10-12 people and would be scheduled every five to six weeks for the entire morning. There is no need for extra meetings, just the Sunday morning commitment. Contact Karen Longstreet at 669-1213 or klongstreet@frchudsonville.org with any questions or to volunteer.

<u>FELLOWSHIP REFUGEE CONNECTION</u>: The Outreach Team is partnering with Bethany Christian Services to walk alongside refugees as they are resettled in West Michigan. Please see how you can help by signing up for one of our three teams on the Outreach Bulletin Board. Also, please look for the table by the bulletin boards today for household items you can donate. Please see Matt and Stacey Nederveld or Steve and April Palmbos with questions. We will have an Informational Meeting TODAY, November 24, in the Fellowship Hall at 5:00pm. Hope to see you there!

<u>OUR NEXT BLOOD DRIVE</u> will be on Tuesday, November 26, from 2:15-6:45pm. Click the link on our website homepage to schedule your appointment; you may also contact Laurie Tornga at 669-2781 to schedule it for you. Walk-in donors will still be welcome if/as the schedule allows. However, making an appointment ensures there is staff and equipment to process all who wish to give.

COOKIE AND JUICE DONATIONS are needed on Tuesday, November 26, to serve to those who donate blood. If you can donate either of these items, sign up on the sheet located on the Adult Activities Bulletin Board.

CANTEEN WORKERS are needed for the Blood Drive on Tuesday, November 26, from 2:00-4:30pm and 4:30-6:45pm. If you can help at either of these shifts, please sign up on the sheet located on the Adult Activities Bulletin Board.

FAMILY NIGHT MEALS: There is no meal this Wednesday, November 27. Join us on Wednesday, December 4, for our next meal (Soup/Salad) served from 5:15-6:10pm in the gym. The cost is \$3.00/person. Sign up for the meal on the sheet located on the Adult Activities Bulletin Board to ensure everyone will be served. Looking ahead: December 11: Pizza.

COOKIE BAKERS are needed on Monday, December 23, from 9:00-11:00am to bake premade cookie dough to serve at our Christmas Eve Services. We will be using the church kitchen to bake 24 dozen cookies. If you are available to help, please sign up on the sheet on the Adult Activities Bulletin Board.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN: In September 2020, we will partner with six local churches to again be part of the FMSC Hudsonville Food Pack. The leadership team has put together a Fundraising Bus Trip from April 14-17, 2020 to four points of interest: the Air Force Museum in Dayton, OH, the Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter in Kentucky, a Riverboat Dinner Cruise, and a musical show at the Bluegate Theatre in Shipshewana. Information is on the Outreach Bulletin Board. Please contact Cal and Deb Karsten at 875-7134 or Paul and Beth Wiggers at 291-4487 with any questions.

YOUTH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

NEW LIFE YOUTH MINISTRY (7TH-8TH GRADE) will be meeting as Core Groups tonight, November 24, instead of our large gathering. We will reunite on Sunday, December 8, from 5:30-7:00pm in the Youth Room. For details on your Core Group's hangout, head to the Youth Bulletin Board.

NEW LIFE YOUTH MINISTRY will not be meeting on Sunday, December 1, as a result of Thanksgiving. We hope you have a great time gathering with family and loved ones.

TURNING POINT YOUTH MINISTRY (9TH-12TH GRADE): Who are our enemies and how are we to treat them? Join us for that discussion tonight (11/24) in the Youth Room from 7:30-9:00pm.

GENESIS RETREAT REGISTRATION (9th-12th Grade): Registration ends **TODAY** (11/24)! We are headed to The Grand Traverse Resort on March 13-15. We will worship with over 1,000 students, participate in a variety of activities (dodgeball, prayer room, arts and crafts, board games, nine-square, gagaball, and more), help make water filters, and be challenged to live out God's Word. The cost is \$179. Register online at frchudsonville.org/turning-point.

ADULT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

<u>OPEN GATE-YAKUV GURUNG:</u> Don't miss the amazing story of how God is using Yakuv Gurung to transform the lives of people through church planting in Nepal and with the Nepalese people in Western Michigan. Working through the RCA, Yakuv is on a mission to plant churches. You will be inspired by the passion of this man of God. Join us in the Fellowship Hall today, November 24, at 9:50am.

<u>BIBLE STORY GRANDMAS:</u> This week's story is entitled, "Boys and Girls and Jesus." A follow-up sheet is provided at the nursery pick-up counter offering conversation starters for you to use with your child.

THE CANONS OF DORT: Family Night study resumes on Wednesday, December 4. The "Dort" class will meet in Room 001 at 6:45pm.

<u>WANT MORE?</u> Enhance your understanding of the sermon topic each week with an enrichment article from the "Want More?" display on the bulletin tables.

YOU CAN STILL RECYCLE your used devotional books. The recycling box has now been moved into the library; everyone is encouraged to check out the books available and to contribute used books for others to enjoy.

SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

<u>WIDOWS/WIDOWERS/SINGLE SENIORS:</u> You are invited to a Christmas Luncheon on Monday, December 9, at noon. Sign up on the sheet located on the Adult Activities Bulletin Board or call the church office at 669-1213 to RSVP by Monday, November 25.

REDORATION (OUR RED HAT GROUP): All those who have signed up and paid to go to the Meijer Gardens Exhibit on Tuesday, November 26, should meet by Door D at 10:45am.

SKI CLUB: Bittersweet Ski Club Cards are now available for ages 7-adult. An \$18 Fellowship Ski Club Card allows you to ski and rent at a discounted price all season long and includes two free lessons for the kids. More information and a registration form can be found at the Information Desk. **Forms and payment are due TODAY, November 24.** Contact Beth Snoeyink at 669-5360 with any questions.

<u>YAK AND YARN</u> will meet on Tuesday, December 3, at 1:00pm in the Music Room. Anyone who would like to knit or crochet (at home) items to give to those in need (like baby sweaters, hats, scarfs, etc.) is invited to join and learn what this group is all about.

REDORATION COFFEE will meet on Tuesday, December 3, at 10:00am at Rainbow Grill in Hudsonville. Redoration is the Red Hat group at Fellowship for women over the age of 50. New members are always welcome and encouraged to join any of their events.

FELLOWSHIP REFORMED CHURCH EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:00PM

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AND PRAISE

Prelude

- * Call to Worship: #157 "The Love of God"
- * Songs of Praise:

"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" (#403)

"Grace Alone"

Opening Prayer and Salutation

WE PRESENT PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer/Offertory Prayer

Offering/Offertory

WE HEAR GOD'S HOLY WORD

* Song of Preparation: #143 "This Is My Father's World"

Prayer for Blessing on the Word of God

Scripture: James 3:1-13 (pg. 1,200 in the Pew Bible)

Message: "Need A Bit?" Pastor Brent Beckett

Prayer for Application

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S HOLY WORD

- * Benediction
- * Song of Response: #52 "Blessed Be the Name"
- * Postlude
- * Please stand if you are able

This Week at Fellowship

Sun.	8:30am	Morning Worship Service	Sanctuary
	9:50am	Sunday School for Children	All Classrooms
	9:50am	The Open Gate: Napalese Ministry	Fellowship Hall
	9:50am	Women's Bible Study	Music Room
	9:50am	Men's Bible Study	Room 108
	9:50am	Guided by the Word	Room 109
	11:00am	Morning Worship Service	Sanctuary
	12:00pm	God's Kitchen	God's Kitchen
	12:15pm	VanEck Baptism Party	Fellowship Hall
	3:00pm	Worship Team Meeting	Office Copy Room
	5:00pm	Refugee Informational Meeting	Fellowship Hall
	5:30pm	Prayer Meeting	Pastor Shawn's Office
	5:30pm	New Life Hangout Night	Various Locations
	6:00pm	Evening Worship Service	Sanctuary
	7:30pm	Turning Point Youth Ministry	Youth Room
Mon.	9:00am	Pickleball	Gym

	7:00pm	Cardio and Core Fitness Group	Gym
	8:00pm	Advent Orchestra	Sanctuary
Tues.	5:30am	Early Riser's Men's Bible Study	Room 107
	5:30am	Young Men's Discipleship Group	Room 109
	9:00am	Staff Meeting	Room 107

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10:45am Redoration Outing Meet at Door D
2:15pm Blood Drive Fellowship Hall
4:30pm Business Admin. Team Meeting Room 107

Sanctuary

 Wed.
 9:15am
 Drop-In Ladies' Bible Study
 Room 107

 12:00pm
 Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Bible Study
 Baar Law Office

 7:00pm
 Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service
 Sanctuary

Thurs. Happy Thanksgiving! Office Closed

6:00pm Advent Vocals

Fri. Office Closed

Sat. 8:00pm Bowling League Hudsonville Lanes

2019 FINANCIAL REPORT

Budgeted Amount \$ 41,661.14 Contributions to FRC can be made in four ways:
Weekly Offerings during our Worship Services;
Overage to Date \$ 779.86 Online Giving through Subsplash;
Auto-Giving through your Bank;
or Mailing a Check to the Church Address.

Thank You!

Church Telephone: 616.669.1213 Church Prayer Line: 616.669.5400 Bulletin Announcement Deadline: 4:00pm on Wednesday

Web Site: frchudsonville.org

Worship Times: 8:30am, 11:00am, and 6:00pm