

WESTWOOD

CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Finding & Following Jesus

MAY 27, 2018

*INDICATES PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR IN SPIRIT

GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

**Here I Am to Worship*

**Cornerstone*

*GOD'S GREETING/WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**We Fall Down/I Surrender All*

PRAYERS OF HIS PEOPLE

OFFERINGS: The first offering is for funds that support the ministries of Westwood Church, and our denomination, the Christian Reformed Church. The second offering is for Westwood's Benevolence Fund.

OFFERTORY: *Praise the King*

SCRIPTURE: Judges 16:4-22; Philippians 2:1-11

SERMON: "Scuffed Knees"

PRAYER

**Majesty*

*GOD'S BLESSING

*SENDING

NEWSLETTER

Items for the Sunday Newsletter are due in the church office by 9:00 a.m. Thursday (unless otherwise indicated).

Welcome to worship at Westwood CRC! A Christ-centered community inspiring people to find and follow Jesus! It is a joy to have you worshipping with us today. If you are a visitor and would like more information about us, we invite you to fill out a Connect card in the pew racks and return it to the box on the Connect Center or place it in the offering bag. We invite you to stay after the service and enjoy refreshments, which are available at both the Lobby and Kitchen Coffee Spots.

Hearing aid units which are wirelessly connected into our sound system are available for those who might find them helpful. They can be found near the office window at the entrance of the building. If you need help with them speak to one of the connect greeters.

TODAY IN WESTWOOD

Today we continue our sermon series - *Make Your Mark* - on the Samson narrative in Judges 13-16. Pastor Mike will preach from Judges 16:4-22 and Philippians 2:3-11 in his sermon *Scuffed Knees*, focusing in on the pride of Samson and the humility of Christ.

NO Children's Worship for 3 year olds - 1st grade today. Summer Children's Worship begins next week, June 3 and continue through August for all children who were Preschool age-1st grade during the current school year.

Prayer after worship: After every service, the Prayer ministry is offering intercessory prayer for anyone who desires it. People who would like to pray with you are available by the prayer room. No prayer is too small - whether for thanksgiving, healing support or salvation - for yourself or someone close to you. This is done in complete confidentiality and love.

PRAYER NOTES

- We give praise that Gordon Zwart's surgery went very well and that he is home recuperating. Pray for continued healing.

- We give praise with Sinnie Vlietstra who was able to return home from her rehab.

THANK YOU

Congratulations to Ginny Hoekstra who recently marked her 30th Anniversary of working at Westwood Church! Thank you for these many years of faithful service to Westwood, and we look forward to your continued ministry among us – greeting us cheerfully throughout the week, helping us with the photocopier, and blessing us in ways too numerous to name! You are appreciated!

“Thank you Westwood family for honoring me last Sunday (and surprising me). I want to say that it is and has been such a pleasure to come to work and be a part of this Westwood family. I could not have done these many years without you and your support.”

Ginny Hoekstra

“Thank you for all the cards, prayers and encouragements I have received following my shoulder surgery and now during my recovery.”

Nancy Dyksterhouse

STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Giving

Envelope Giving 5-20-18	\$7,195.75
Online Giving (5/18 – 5/24)	\$1,091.00

Envelope Giving 5-20-18

Faith Promise	\$60.00
Tuition Assistance Fund.....	\$25.00

Special Offerings 5-20-18

Resonate Global Missions	\$437.86
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Next Sunday morning the offering will be for Back to God Hour Ministries.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Power in the Blood – Westwood will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive this Tuesday May 29 from 12:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-733-2767 or log into redcrossblood.org (sponsor code: WCRC).

Thank You to the Council nominees for your willingness to allow your name to stand for office and to all who are retiring from their service. The following were selected last Sunday for office and will be installed on June 3.

Pastoral Elder – Bruce Triemstra
 Pastoral Deacon – Tim Hesselink, Faith Huyser
 Discipleship Elder – Matt Birchmeier
 Outreach Elder – Roger Boyd
 Personnel Elder – Al Nieboer

All Preschool – 12th graders – There’s a great survey just for YOU in your family’s church box. Fill it out with your honest ideas, turn it in to Cheri Dykstra’s box by May 30, and you’ll receive a delicious treat as a reward! Your thoughts are important to our Children’s Ministry Team and will be VERY helpful as we plan for our upcoming ministry season in the fall. Here’s your chance to dream with us for great things to come!

All Parents of Preschool – 12th graders – See the above survey announcement for your kids? There’s a survey for you too! Same request for ideas, same promise for a delicious reward!

Happy 2-year Heart Song Anniversary! Heart songs are songs that especially speak to an individual’s heart in worship. It is time to update our heart song list! Has God given you a new heart song? Or did you miss the opportunity to submit your heart song? For those of you who have joined the Westwood Family more recently, this may be your first chance to share your heart song! Physical forms are available in addition to digital forms (check the next Westwood Weekly for the link). Or, feel free to email your heart song to Kristina (kristina@westwoodcrc.org). We hope to hear from each of you that has a heart song to share with us!

Let’s Bless the Mills family: Would you have a couple of hours to spend with the fun Mills kiddos while mom, Katherine, has her weekly ultrasound? Sign up at the Information Center table for a date coming soon, or email cheri@westwoodcrc.org.

Come and see our English as a Second Language classes on Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Consider how the Lord is calling you to help tutor. Training is provided.

Our hugely popular FREE Summer Zumba begins again on Thursday, June 14, 6:30-7:30pm. Men, women, and children will love it! Think now about who YOU will invite.

Mark Your Calendars for one AWESOME neighborhood picnic this summer on Wednesday, August 8, 6-8pm on our church lawn. Plan to give, serve, and enjoy each other, our church neighbors AND delicious food, live music, a petting farm, inflatables, and more.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Come join others for the Alternatives “Walk for Life” on June 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Walk for Life will begin at Grace Spring Bible Church in Richland, Michigan. For more information go to www.alternativescc.org or look for pledge forms at the information center.

Reformed Heritage Christian School is accepting applications for enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year. RHCS is a K-12 grades school with the goal of training our Covenant youth to be servants of Christ in all areas of life. We strive for academic excellence while teaching from a distinctly Reformed/Biblical perspective. If you would like an application or have any questions, please contact the school office at 383-0505. Please note that we also offer high school classes to home school students.

East Martin Christian School is seeking a middle school teacher qualified to teach math, science and Spanish, as well as a teacher for a combined first and second grade classroom. Qualified candidates must model a strong faith and have a membership in a Reformed tradition church. Please send a cover letter and resume to Lisa Leep, principal, at lleep@eastmartin.org. Please call (269) 672-5722 or email the school with any questions.

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Next Sunday Pastor Carlos Mendoza will bring the Word to us and will update us on his ministry and work with the Luke Society. We will also ***ordain and install into office new elders and deacons***, and we'll join together at the table for the ***Lord's Supper*** where we remember and celebrate what God has done for us in Christ Jesus. All who have been baptized and believe in Jesus are invited to join us at the table.

Parents: If your child has been baptized and has expressed a desire to participate in the Lord's Supper for the first time, please talk with Pastor Mike sometime this week.

All Outgoing, Current, and Incoming Council Members: Please plan on attending worship on June 3 for the Service of Ordination and Installation.

CONNECTOR GREETERS

Today:

Roger & Jan Boyd

Next Week:

Nick & Annette Leep & family

VALET PARKERS

Today:

Jack Westra, Greg DeGroot

Next Week:

Jim Ritsema, Greg DeGroot

WORSHIP HOSTS

Today:

Gladys DeVries, Duane & Nancy DeHaan, Ann Haak

Next Week:

Paul, Pam & John Dyben, Lynn Visser

COFFEE HOSTS

Today:

Matt & Amy Birchmeier, Jeff & Karen Blamer

Next Week:

Jason & Alida Blauwkamp, Roger & Jan Boyd

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP

Today: NO CHILDREN’S WORSHIP

Next Week:
PreK – 1st Grade: Rachel Mei Lanting, Katie DeGroot, Lee Lanting

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Today AM:
*Supervisor Nancy Dyksterhouse
Helpers Sally A. Triemstra, Aaliyah Smith

Next Week:
*Supervisor Ginny Hoekstra
Helpers Faith Huyser, Gracelyn Smith

PRAYER ROOM VOLUNTEERS

Today:
Alida Blauwkamp, Sally Jo Triemstra

Next Week:
Mark Scheffers, Pat Huizenga

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Monday 5-28 – MEMORIAL DAY

Tuesday 5-29
12:00 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive
4:00 p.m. Food Pantry

Wednesday 5-30
7:00 p.m. Praise Team

Thursday 5-31
4:00 p.m. Food Pantry
5:30 p.m. Zumba

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