

THIRD CHURCH NEWS

CONNECTING AND INFORMING THE THIRD CHURCH COMMUNITY

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Part 2: Local Podcast Features TRC and I AM Academy

Celebrating True Freedom Part 2: Courageous Faith

Movement West Michigan's Podcast, Local Hope, features an interview with Henry Cherry, Executive Director of the I AM Academy, and Laura Baer, member of our Justice and Equity Team. The description from the podcast post reads: What does it mean to be a carrier -- rather than "owner" -- of the gospel? How does it feel to be black in the Holland/Zeeland area? Where do black students turn to find mentors and role models in our community? Part 2 of our conversation with Henry Cherry from [I Am Academy](#) and Laura Baer from [Third Reformed Church](#) centers on facing hard questions with courageous faith. Listen to hear how a nonprofit and church are collaborating together to make our community a more hospitable space for all.



A Week and A Day Away...



We'll have exciting favorite activities, and some new ones also! Want to be involved? Sign up in the Gathering Place or by calling the church office.

We (still) need you!

Did You Know?

Did you know that the Wednesday Morning Prayers group meets via Zoom every Wednesday at 8:30 in the morning? You can join them right from our website under Community > Prayer Community (or by clicking [here](#)).

Last week the group met in person. Here they are in Kim and Matt DeJongh's backyard. Pictured left to right are: Jeff Maatman, Harvey Doorenbos, Kim DeJongh, Jeanette Beagley, Elaine Tanis, Joyce Magee, and Katherine Hunsberger.



The *micro*Pantry at Third Reformed Church

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| Soups | Dry Cereal |
| Peanut Butter | Health Bars |
| Deodorant | Paper Towels |
| Handy Wipes | Crackers |

Announcements

Worshiping Together in August

For the month of August, we will have one English service at 10:00 AM on Sundays, followed by our El Encuentro Spanish language service at 11:15 AM. Zoom worship will continue for the 10:00 AM service. We look forward to seeing you all at one or both of these services! Our 8 AM service will resume on September 11.

Updated Woman's Ministries Invite

Women's Ministries is getting ready for a new season of Bible Study and would like to invite you, your friends, and neighbors to join us. Along with your Bible we will use Carol Bechtel's new booklet "Celebrating Sabbath." Books will be available in the Gathering Place on Sunday. We have several groups meeting once a month at different times:

- Second Monday at 1:30 PM
- Third Monday at 7:00 PM
- Two groups meet on the second Tuesday at 10:00 AM
- Second Tuesday at 12:00 PM
- Second Wednesday at 1:30 PM
- A new Bible study session has been added, meeting every first Monday at 10:00 AM at church.
- There is also a weekly Bible Study on Zoom that meets at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday.

If none of these times is convenient for you, we can help you form a group that suits your needs. Please contact Kathy Van Tubbergen, kvt_art@icloud.com.

Third Church Family

Hey Third Church Family: Dennis Gebben celebrates his birthday tomorrow, August 24 (78) and he sure would enjoy some mail to open. If you'd like to send him a card, his address is 9932 Perry Street, Zeeland, MI 49464.

Do you have a birthday or anniversary for us to celebrate?

Let us know! We'd love to let our church family know about birthdays for kids up to 18, and for folks over 80, as well as help celebrate couples with 50 or more years of marriage. Just call the office or email us at office@trcholland.org to get on the list.

Third Church Family News

Sympathy

To the Millen Family on the passing of Scott's father, Dave, in Oregon.

Birthdays

Bob Ritsema, August 31 - 87 Years

Anniversaries

Bob and MaryAlice Ritsema, August 24 - 65 years
Dennis and Betty Voskuil, September 4 - 57 years
Steve and Karen Stam, September 6 - 54 years

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following:

- Condolences to the Millen family on the death of Scott's father in Oregon.
- Condolences to Carol Segrist on the death of her sister, and to the Kamphuis families.

For those who have family members who are in hospice, recuperating from surgery:

- Adriann Divozzo: her brother's wife Emily, struggling with cancer
 - Ben Lichtenwalner: father recuperating from surgery
 - Lee Ten Brink: brother in hospice care
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- For volunteers needed to teach Sunday School and Youth group.

For members of El Encuentro:

- Dealing with immigration issues.
- Pray for safety, health and their feelings of loneliness.
- For new home for El Encuentro families.
- Safety for those traveling across the border.
- For family members to be reunited.
- For Frontera de Gracia who are dealing with changes at the border.

Remember in our prayers: Jim Hensley, Jack Kuiper, Larry Loss, Dennis and Nancy Gebben, Reno Lamania, Mary and Harry Boersen.

Prayer Spotlight: Holland Hospital - Bea Rozeboom; Hospice - Margaret Doorenbos, Sue Pettinga. At home - Bill Charlton, Don Maatman, Barb Mummert, Ruby Steketee.

Missionaries: Linn G. (Asia), Cheryl Barnes (Malawi), Lubna Y. (Asia).

