

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

COMMUNITY NIGHTS

Join us this Wednesday, January 17 for the kick-off of winter Community Nights! We are so excited to gather weekly once again for a meal followed by opportunities for belonging, growing, and serving for all ages! Use the QR code to learn more about the following adult class opportunities:

- Bridges or Barriers: How Emotions Can Bring Us Together
- Wednesday Night Fellowship Group
- B.L.E.S.S: a Tool for Witness and Relational Evangelism
- Loving Our Muslim Neighbors: Exploring Faithful Christian Witness to the Gospel
- Practicing the 5Gs of Christian Conflict Transformation
- Immerse Bible Reading Experience



There will also be nursery (ages 0-3), BLAST (age 4 - 5th grade), Elevate (6th-8th grade). High school students are encouraged to participate in the adult class options, and the worship team rehearses on Wednesday nights as well!

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to submit a prayer request, we have a new system using a QR code. You may choose whether you want the request to go to the Care Team (pastors and care coordinator), to the prayer chain (a group of lay leaders/staff), or be published in the bulletin. If you are not comfortable using the QR code, please contact Pat Vorpapel at 616.399.9280, ext. 130 or pvpapel@fellowshipreformed.org to request prayers.



GIVING

To support the work God is doing in and through Fellowship's ministries, you can give cash or checks using the offering bowls in the Sanctuary, text any dollar amount to **84321**, or use the QR code or the Church Center app to give online.



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KURIOS



SUNDAY | JANUARY 14 | 9 & 10:30AM

Prelude

Call to Worship

*Great Things**

*Holy, Holy, Holy**

Pray of Confession (with self-examination)

*Lord, I Need You**

Assurance of Pardon

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus (Hymn #403)**

Passing the Peace

Welcome & Announcements

(dismissed during song: 3 yrs - 5th grade [9am]; 3 yrs - 8th grade [10:30am])

*The Goodness of Jesus**

Scripture: Mark 2:1-12

Sermon: "Friendship: Essential to the Soul"

*House of the Lord**

Benediction

Postlude

**indicates congregational song*

Leading in the Service:

Preaching: Rev. Tierra Marshall

Liturgists: Rev. Ross Dieleman, Jess Mix, Rev. Nate Schipper

Worship Band: Matt Abbott, Aaron Anderson, Mike Hamilton, Chris Meyer, Vonnie Ritsema, Jennie Schmidt, Lori Stump

Audio & Video Tech Team: Joel & Luke Bosma, Karen Donker, Danny Gonzales-Gomez, Jayne Philipps, Paul Solis, Bob VanDenBrand, Duane & Ginger VandenBrink

As a **WITH MINISTRIES** church, Fellowship welcomes all individuals and families living with disabilities. Please inquire at the Welcome Center for assistance and/or additional information. We have a team, led by Sara Gortsema, that addresses these needs in our community all year round.

WORD OF THE YEAR

As a follow up to Pastor Ross' challenge to choose a word of the year for 2024 to live into, we are offering an opportunity for you to make a visual reminder of your word. In the Gallery, you will find a table with puzzle pieces on it. Take a moment to write your word on a piece of the puzzle and drop it in the box provided. Over the next few weeks we will build a "Fellowship Word of the Year" puzzle for all to enjoy.

DISCOVER FELLOWSHIP CLASS

If you are interested in becoming a member at Fellowship, please join us next Sunday, January 21 for the Discover Fellowship Class. The class will meet from 11:45am-3pm with lunch included. If you have questions, contact Pastor Ross: rdieleman@fellowshippreformed.org.



CONSISTORY NOMINATIONS

We invite you to nominate individuals you trust are equipped and suited to serve as elders and deacons on Fellowship's Consistory. You can make your nominations and find out more information about consistory by using the QR code. Please make your nominations by Tuesday, January 31.



ALL-CHURCH RETREAT | MARCH 8-10

We invite you to spend an awesome weekend away with your church family March 8-10 @ Timber Wolf Lake Young Life Camp in Lake City, MI. Use the QR code to sign up and learn more!



HSM SUMMER SERVE INFO MEETING

High school students and parents, you're invited to the Youth Center at 11:40am this morning to learn more about our summer service trip, which is planned for June 16-22. We are excited to share our plans with you and invite you on this journey! Contact Bryce Vander Stelt with questions: bvanderstelt@fellowshippreformed.org

KURIOS

Mark 2:1-12 | January 14

Journal it. Ask a friend. Discuss it in a group.

Reflect | There's a crisis at 3:00 a.m. Which four friends are you going to call? Why?

Excavate | What was the traditional practice for forgiveness according to the Jewish law [see Leviticus 1-7]?

Interpret | Why are the teachers of the law so upset with Jesus?

Examine | Jesus affirms the faith of the man's friends in bringing him to Jesus, granting the man forgiveness for his sins and healing of his paralysis. In what ways is sin like paralysis? What freedom does Christ want to give you this season? Which friends in your life "brought you to Jesus" in the past or currently? What did they do or not do to help you find or deepen your faith?

Apply | Which friends in your life might the Holy Spirit be calling you to "bring to Jesus" this season, helping them to experience faith, healing, and freedom? What might need to shift in your own life to prioritize their faith and restoration this season?

Invite | What is one way God is calling you to serve your friends in their faith journey this week?