

WELCOME TO AVERY STREET CHURCH! We greet those who are visiting with us today in the name of our Lord and Savior. Please join us for coffee after the service. Our Pastor and the greeting Elder are available to answer any questions you may have. For more information about the Christian Reformed Church visit our website at www.ascrc.org

THIS SUNDAY

Scripture: 2 Kings 6; Acts 1:8; Luke 16:19-31
Message: "Saltshakers and Searchlights
(I): Motivations for Sharing Our Faith"



NEXT SUNDAY

Scripture: Matthew 4:18-22 (4:19)
Message: "Saltshakers and Searchlights
(II): The Mindset for Sharing Our Faith"

MINISTRIES FOR AVERY STREET CHURCH HOSPITALITY

Praying Elder
Steve Zielinski

North Door Elder
David Van Deusen

Offertory Deacon
Sandra Dominguez



Greeters: Bill and Brandon Nelson
Ushers: Cal & Anne Hulstein

Coffee Servers: This week: Steve & Damaris Torres
Next Week: Ed & Teresa VanderLeest

Children's Worship: Elisabeth Winkel and Shaelyn Nelson

*** * * NURSERY * * ***

A nursery is available during the worship service. The nursery is located in the north hall of this building. Electronic pagers are available and will vibrate if it should become necessary for a parent to come to the nursery. For parents with small children, we also offer a "cry room" in which you can see and hear worship and feel more comfortable should your child become fussy during worship. It is located near the corner with the sound and visual equipment.

9/16/18 & 9/23/18
9:15 AM
Sunday School
Page Volunteer

9/16/18
10:30 AM
Worship Service
Melanie Smedley
Eric Rentz
(Lois Hibma on call
infants)

9/23/18
10:30 AM
Worship Service
Ariana Lewis
Brooke Nelson
(Jean Ohliger on call
infants)

*** * * AUDIO EQUIPMENT * * ***

A voice copy of the sermon is available on the church website at ascrc.org. CD copies are available as well. See Rich O'Neill or email him at roneill28@cox.net. Please specify sermon or service. Copies are ready the following week but can also be expedited if necessary. Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW MEMBERS: This morning we welcome **Clark and Sandy VanKoevering** as members of Avery Street CRC! They come to us from Ann Arbor (MI) Christian Reformed Church. We are delighted to see them become part of our church family, and pray that we will bless and encourage each other as we serve Christ together in the future.

CONGRATULATIONS! We congratulate grandparents Tony and Cookie Liebl as they celebrate the birth of a healthy grandson, Wade Kenneth Liebl, born to Peter and Heather on Wednesday morning. *“We rejoice in the Lord with you in the safe birth and good health of Wade. May you join with Peter and Heather in raising him to God’s honor and glory.”*



DINNERS FOR EIGHT: The Dinners for Eight sign-up sheets for September and October are currently in the church narthex. The September sign-up sheet will come down this coming Sunday so that groups can be formed and the hosts notified in time so that they can plan for a September (or perhaps very early October) get-together with their assigned group. The Dinners for Eight sign-up sheet for October will be taken down after the Sunday service on September 30th and groups will then be formed and hosts notified. Please consider signing up for one or more of these dinners. They are a great way to get to know your fellow church members better than you might otherwise do just in a church setting. We will take a break from the Dinners for Eight during the holiday months but will return to them at least one more time in the February to April time frame.

COFFEE BREAK: Evening Coffee Break Bible Study for Women starts on Monday, September 17, at 7:00 PM in the fellowship hall. Pastor Dave will give an introduction to our study on **“The Fruit of the Spirit”**. Connect with other women and bring a friend to this time of Bible study and prayer. Study guides will be available that evening. Contact Marg Christians with questions.

BOOK CLUB: Book Club will meet on Friday, September 28, at 7:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Pastor Dave will lead the discussion of Enrique’s Journey by Sonia Nazario. This is an astonishing story that puts a human face on the ongoing debate about immigration reform in the United States. Refreshments will be provided by Lucy Berghuis.

WOMEN’S RETREAT is coming up soon! Have you purchased your ticket yet? A ticket is \$25 and can be purchased after the service from Marg Christians, Anne Hulstein or Gloria Ranney in the church foyer. *Sarah’s Sojourn – A Journey of Hope* will be held here at Avery Street Church on October 12, 13, and 14 – Friday 7-9 PM, Saturday 10-3 PM, includes lunch, and Sunday 9:15-10:15 AM. The speaker will be Cheryl Hulstein Nydam.

RECYCLE BIN: Thank you to those who help clean up after events in Fellowship Hall. Trash from Fellowship Hall (paper cups, plates, etc.) must be put in the dumpster at the end of the driveway. The blue recycle bin in the Admin Building Garage is for recyclable materials only. Thank you for your help.

Renewal Lab Daily Bible Readings: There is an insert in today’s bulletin with the readings for this coming week; readings are also posted on the church website (www.ascrc.org) and emailed to those on the Prayer Chain.



September 16
Session 2
Challenges of Grief

Some of the overlooked, yet common, effects grief has on your mind
How to get things done when you don’t feel like you have any energy

This Week's Calendar

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	10:30 AM	Worship Service
	4:00 PM	GriefShare (FH)
	(7:30 PM)	(NA)(FH)
Monday	7:00 PM	Coffee Break
Tuesday	7:00 PM	MMT (Admin)
	(5:00-10:00 PM)	(MRPF)(Church)
Wednesday	8:30AM	Men's Life (Emeralds)
	7:00 PM	Choir
Thursday	6:45 AM	Man-to-Man (FH)
Friday	6:30-7:30 AM	Men's Bible Study (Admin)
	6:30-10:00 PM	Praise Team Rehearsal

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From Calvin Theological Seminary

BIBLICAL STUDY TOUR TO ITALY - (March 28 - April 9, 2019) Visit the Vatican with its Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Cathedral; the impressive monuments of ancient Rome; Hadrian's Villa; Pompeii and Mt. Vesuvius; Paestum; Assisi; Florence; Ravenna; and St. Mark's Basilica in Venice. Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational tour. Contact Dr. Weima at weimje@calvinseminary.edu or 616-328-3110.

From Resonate Global Mission

Journey Through Egypt - Join Resonate Global Mission on an Egypt Vision Tour. History comes alive as you learn how scripture is connected to ancient Egyptian monuments. Dates: April 2-10, 2019. For more information visit www.resonateglobalmission.org/Egypt.

Tour the Biblical Lands of Israel - March 11-22, 2019. Experience a renewal of your faith and a deeper understanding of the Bible as you tour biblical lands with Pastor Peter Tuininga and Sindbad Tours of Israel. See Jerusalem, Galilee, Jericho, and other biblical places that will help the Bible come alive for you. For information go to toursofisrael.wordpress.com or contact Peter Tuininga at 1-289-877-8433 or peter.tuininga@gmail.com. Register by December 15, 2018.

Support Hurricane Florence Survivors - World Renew Disaster Response Services (DRS) is responding to Hurricane Florence as the storm hits the U.S. East Coast this week. DRS regional managers are working with local officials and organizations in the Carolinas and Virginia to start initial planning to send early assessment and rapid response volunteers. The fall start-up of a reconstruction site in Tarboro, NC, in response to Hurricane Matthew (2016) has been delayed by Florence. Please pray for those in the storm's path, for World Renew, and for others helping the survivors.

ENCOURAGE EACH OTHER: The Bible says in 1 Thessalonians 5:11, "Encourage one another and build each other up." As we minister and worship and experience God's presence together, we have wonderful opportunities to do that. The yellow encouragement cards in the pew racks are an easy way to recognize someone when you are touched by their words or work or life. Fill out a card and place it in the offering plate and it will be given to the person identified. This helps to make our church community richer and stronger.