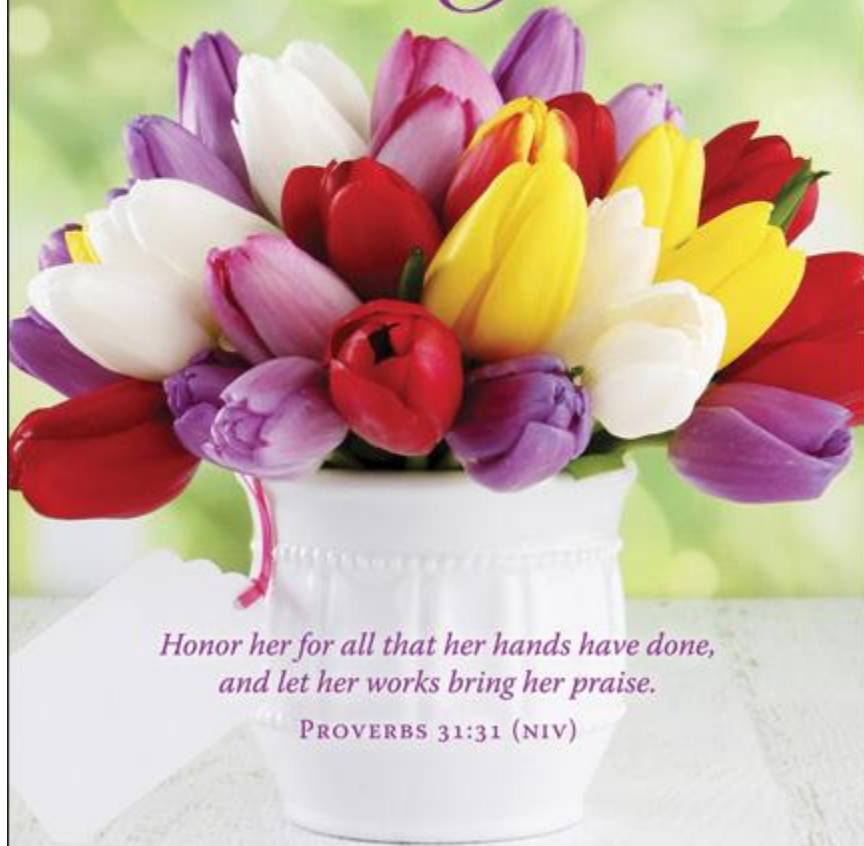


—HAPPY—
MOTHER'S
Day



*Honor her for all that her hands have done,
and let her works bring her praise.*

PROVERBS 31:31 (NIV)

Borculo Christian Reformed Church

Senior Pastor: Rev. Stephen Terpstra
Pastor of Visitation: Rev. Allen Petroelje

Morning Worship May 12, 9:30 A.M.

Minister: Rev. Allen Petroelje

Organist: Mrs. Phyllis Alferink

Prelude: Holy Spirit Medley
Welcome and Announcements

Gathering

- * Call to Worship
- * Silent Prayer

M: People of God, from where does our help come?

C: Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

- * Greeting

- * Hymn: "For the Beauty of the Earth" LUYH 19 (1,2,4,5)

Reconciliation

Call to Confession: The Law of God

Hymn of Confession: "God, Be Merciful to Me" LUYH 623 (1 – 5)

Assurance of Pardon: Micah 7: 18 – 19

Congregational Prayer

Word

- * Hymn: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" LUYH 521 (1 – 3)

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading: Luke 15: 11 – 24

Sermon: **THE RETURNING PRODIGAL MET WITH ASTONISHING GRACE**

The Lord's Supper

- Hymn: "O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts" PH 422 (1 – 4)

The Institution

Minister: We give thanks to God the Father that our Savior, Jesus Christ, before he suffered, gave us this memorial of his sacrifice, until he comes again. At his last supper, the Lord Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." / In the same way, he took the cup after supper and said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me." For whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes (1 Corinthians 11:23-26). Therefore we proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament:

People: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Prayer of Consecration

Minister: Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and cup may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we and all your saints be united with Christ and remain faithful in hope and love. Gather your whole church, O Lord, into the glory of your kingdom. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen

The Invitation

Minister: Congregation of Jesus Christ, the Lord has prepared his table for all who love him and trust in him alone for their salvation. All who are truly sorry for their sins, who sincerely believe in the Lord Jesus as their Savior, and who desire to live in obedience to him as Lord, are now invited to come with gladness to the table of the Lord.

The gifts of God for the people of God!

(Passing the elements.)

The Communion

Minister: Take, eat, remember, and believe that the body of our Lord Jesus Christ was given for the complete forgiveness of all our sins.

Take, drink, remember, and believe that the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ was given for the complete forgiveness of all our sins.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

With burning hearts we thank you, Father, for making Christ known to us in the breaking of bread and in the poured-out wine. Now may this meal enable us to increase in faith, persevere in hope, and grow up in love. May this witness to Christ's death draw others into fellowship with him so that all your children will be gathered in to share with us the joy of your salvation. Send us out from this place by your Spirit, our ears open to your Word, our minds alert to the calling you give us, our hearts full of zeal for your coming kingdom, our voices confessing the name of Jesus, our Lord and our God. Amen.

* Hymn: "O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord"

PH 204 (1 – 4)

Sending

* Benediction

* Doxology: "O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord"

PH 204 (5)

* Postlude: One Day

*Please stand if you are able.

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Welcome to Borculo Christian Reformed Church! We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us today! Please join us for refreshments and fellowship following the service. We would love to meet you! We hope you find our church to be God-centered, where you hear the good news of the gospel, are challenged to live according to God's Word, and that you will find good Christian friends. You are most welcome to join us in any of the activities and ministries we offer so that together, we may grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

If you are visiting, please fill out a visitor card in the pew rack and place it in a collection plate (located on the table in the narthex). We would like to offer you additional information about Jesus Christ and our church. If you have a spiritual need, please feel free to speak with Rev. Terpstra or Rev. Petroelje after the service, or send an email to pastor@borculocrc.org or almarpet@sbcglobal.net May the Lord bless you!

May 12, 2024

Current Prayer Needs

Prayer is requested for **Ryan**, a grandson of Ange, who has been suffering severe back pain. Pray that the procedure to treat the pinched nerve may be effective in bringing relief, and pray for the grace of patient endurance.

Ryland is our summer intern and we are overjoyed to welcome him as he arrives May 21. We pray for him as he prepares to start this new chapter in his life and that he will be blessed during his time here.

Please pray for the family of **Rev. Scott**, director of synodical services and a classmate of Rev. Terpstra. He was diagnosed with cancer a month ago and died on April 27. Please pray for his wife and two young children as they navigate this difficult time.

Rich remains at Corewell Health (Butterworth) Hospital after receiving his stem cell transplant last week. This is a difficult stage in the procedure as it brings on considerable discomfort and fatigue. Continue to pray for patient endurance and full recovery. He much appreciates your thoughtful cards and prayers.

We pray for the upcoming **Synod of the CRCNA** and the delegates as they prepare. The agenda for Synod is now available on the CRCNA website. The theme for synod worship and prayer is God With Us. If you would like, you can sign up for 40 Days of Prayer at crcna.org/synod/prayer and join the CRCNA in humble prayer for God's will to be done in the CRC.

Pray for the group going to Kentucky in June to work with Appalachia Reach Out (**ARO**). We know God will use them for His glory as they minister to the community of Inez.

Pray for all those who have cancer and those who are having treatments: Rich

Remember those who live with chronic problems, including illness, pain, weakness, depression, addictions, anxiety, loneliness, strained relationships, and any other personal needs we are unaware of.

Pray for peace in the world, both in the Ukraine/Russia war and between Israel and Palestine. May God have mercy on those caught in the midst of these terrible conflicts.

(For changes this week, contact Rev. Terpstra, Rev. Petroelje or your district elder.)

PRAISE:

Jeff and Rita's grandson **Uriah** received a preliminary favorable report from the tests that were done. The tumor is a low grade Glioma. No surgery is planned for several years.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

Myra Luurtsema – Happy 87th Birthday! - May 14

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:

Brent and Ann Mohr – May 12

Bob and Lila Brunink – May 14

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

It is our privilege this morning to celebrate the **Lord's Supper**. If there are any visitors here today and you are members in good standing of a Bible believing church, know Jesus as your Savior and have confessed your sins, you are also welcome to join us at the table of the Lord.

Today is Mother's Day! We celebrate and give thanks for the gift of Mothers! We know the importance of your earthy duties – nurturing, loving, caring and being a Godly example! We give thanks to the many other women who are a positive influence and who invest time in the lives of our children, youth and young adults – you are appreciated! May God bless you abundantly with strength, patience, grace and many blessings!

Youth Group members please gather for a brief meeting in the youth room following the morning service; there are a few things to talk about regarding upcoming events.

The **group going to ARO** this summer is asked to meet briefly after next Sunday's morning service (May 19) to go over some of the details of the trip.

There will be a **church potluck** at noon next Sunday, May 19. Please bring 2 dishes to pass.

The **Men's Chorus** is planning to sing on May 26 in the AM Memorial Day Service. Practice for this will be held at 8:30 AM prior to the service.

Congratulations to William Terpstra as he has accepted the **custodian position!** We are, however, still in need of someone to cover this position for the month of July. If this is something you would be interested in doing, please see Steve Schrotenboer.

Graduation Sunday will be June 2. All those who have graduated from elementary, high school, university or graduate degree are asked to submit a photo and quick paragraph of their next steps by May 28 so they can be put on a slide show before the service.

Classis Zeeland will be meeting this week with the Deaconal meeting on Tuesday and the regular classis meeting on Thursday.

Periodically, we like to share photos of church life (softball games, church potlucks, etc.) to our website, Facebook, and Instagram pages. We may also use photos of church members in church literature (i.e., pamphlets & brochures to promote events such as VBS) that are shared with the community. If you do not want pictures of you and your family used in any of these instances, please contact Kailyn Clay or email her at kailynclay16@gmail.com.

It's that time of the year! **Sign-ups** for **cookies and coffee servers** for the summer months can be found on the narthex. As always, we will begin serving outside (weather permitting) starting Memorial weekend (May 26th). Thank you to everyone who has signed up already! We only have a few spots open on the cookie sign-up, but there are many opportunities available on the coffee server sign-up.

A **Search Committee** has been formed to find a new minister. If you have any questions or recommendations, please see anyone on the committee: Phyllis Alferink, Nicole Broekhuizen, Angela Gruppen, Scott Gruppen, Dave Huizenga, Karen LaRosa, Steve Schrotenboer, and John Tolsma.

Church Softball team - Kids ages 8-13 are invited to play on the church softball team this summer! Those interested are asked to sign up on the sheet in the narthex. Games will be played on Wednesday evenings at Borculo, South Olive and Drenthe. The season will run from June 12-July 17. Any questions, please contact Chris Van Huis or Scott Gruppen.

Please be on the lookout for an affordable and safe **apartment** or house to rent in the Holland/Zeeland area for Jess, who, at the moment, is living with Matt and Tracee Geurink. She is looking forward to starting a new chapter in her life and would love to find something in the next couple of months. Please contact Tracee with any information.

Right To Life- It's Spring again and we are still proclaiming that every life matters and that the pre-born are equally human! I will be participating in the annual **Right to Life 5k Walk/Fun Run** with my family and would love our church family's support. Last year RTL of Holland raised \$13,055 with this event to help keep their outreach running and educating the community, this year's goal is \$15,000! Please leave a check or cash in my church mailbox written to Right To Life of Holland before May 12th to contribute. Also, if anyone would like to join, it's held at Lawrence Street park on May 18th at 10am! Thanks, Angela Gruppen

Even though Lisa VanderMeer's secretarial office hours are Tuesday and Friday mornings, please feel free to call her on her cell phone (616-566-9213) at any time or slip notes and announcements under the door of the church office. She is flexible with her time and will happily assist with anything you need.

MEETINGS & fellowship this week

Monday 8:00 PM - Search Committee Meeting

Next Sunday Noon – Church Potluck

Letter Writers (**Envelopes are on the military table)

to Marc & Jill Boeve: Diane McConnell

to Steve & Kim Bloem: Maria Lucero Mendez

to Lilly Vander Zwaag: Jamie and Kim Meppelink

Pastor's Prayer Partner: Eileen Machiela

CHURCH PANTRY: In May, we are collecting canned meats – chicken, tuna, Spam, corned beef hash, beef stew

ADDITIONAL NEEDS: Cleaning Supplies

Other specific needs: gallons of Spring water, size 4 diapers, Roloids, Tums, antacids, ready to eat soups, dinners.

Thank you for your help! Any questions about the pantry needs, please see Ella Gruppen. We also need your COUPONS, so please put them on the table in the pantry. (ALSO, children's books and devotionals).

There is a basket in the pantry to collect baby items for the **Family LIFE Center. Baby wipes, diapers, bottles, pacifiers, onesies and blankets are all appreciated! Thank you for your support!

OFFERING SCHEDULE

TODAY - (Mother's Day) - General Fund, Libertas Christian School, The Luke Society (The Luke Society provides resources and support for international Christian health visionaries who care for the needs of their own people. We empower nationals to use their gifts in medicine as a tool to share the love of Jesus Christ and His redeeming grace. The Luke Society supports 32 medical ministry sites worldwide. <https://www.lukesociety.org/>)

May 19 - General Fund, Tuition Assistance, Positive Options (Lakeshore Pregnancy Center - Our mission is to love people to life: Before, During and After a pregnancy decision. Our vision is to build a vibrant community where every life is valued, loved, protected and transformed because of the gospel of Jesus Christ. <https://www.mypositiveoptions.org/>)

May 26 - General Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, Upward Bound Ministries (Our mission is to give a clear presentation of the gospel of Jesus Christ to the students of Zeeland Schools. We feel it is important for students to develop a relationship with Jesus at a young age, where they can continue to grow in their faith. <https://ubministries.org/>)

Community Announcements:

Parkview Adult Foster Care Home has some openings for new residents. They have space for 2 women in their home. All the resident bedrooms are on the second floor, so any new resident must be comfortable with using stairs. If anyone knows of a lady or 2 who might enjoy living at Parkview, please email Jennifer Letcher (admin@parkviewafchome.org) for an application.

Gateway Mission has an urgent need for volunteers to help with clothing presort at their retail store (661 E. 24th St). If you are interested in helping, please visit www.gatewaymissionvolunteer.org and sign up today! Flexible shifts are available throughout the week Monday-Saturday, 9am-6pm. THANK YOU for coming alongside the work of Gateway Mission-providing help and HOPE for those in need!

Thank you very much for your donations! From Compassionate Heart Ministries, Resonate Global Mission, and Upward Bound Ministries

Summer Camps at Calvin - Make the most of summer! Calvin University offers a variety of camps for kids and youth, ages 4-18, designed to help bridge the gap between school years -- while learning and having fun! Choose from camps themed on chemistry, health, music, nature, and sports. Learn more and register at calvin.edu/offices-services/camps/

Evening Worship May 12, 6:30 PM

Minister: Rev. Cedric Parsels

Pianist: Mrs. Jody Broekhuizen

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering

*Call to Worship: Psalm 107:1-3, 17-21

*Silent Prayer of Invocation (concluded with the organ)

*God's greeting

*Hymn "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"

LUYH#601 *verses 1-4*

Reading of Psalm #61

Hymn "Christ, the Solid Rock"

LUYH#772 *verses 1-4*

Congregational Prayer

*Hymn "Teach Me, O Lord, Your Way of Truth"

LUYH#721 *verses 1-4*

Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Romans 7:1-6

Sermon: Freedom From the Law

Response & Sending

Prayer of Application

*Hymn "And Can It Be"

LUYH# 695 *verses 1-4*

*Confession of Faith – the Apostles Creed

*Benediction

*Doxology: "To God Be The Glory"

LUYH#604 *verse 1 w/ Refrain*

*Postlude

*Please stand if you are able.

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