



October 21, 2018

9:30 am • Pastor Ryan

Philippians 2

We are a purposeful community transformed by the love of God and engaging the world with the grace and truth of Jesus through the practice of Christian hospitality.

We welcome you into our community and our lives. Following this morning's worship, we invite you to join us for a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall.

Babies & Young Children

A nursery for children 2 years and younger is next to the kitchen off of the Fellowship Hall. Children, 3, 4, and 5 years old who have not started Kindergarten will be dismissed before the sermon to room 27 for Preschool Church Hour.

Aids to Worship

Hearing assistance devices are available in the narthex. Please ask our greeters for assistance.



Ann Arbor Christian Reformed Church

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9:30 worship

We Gather to Worship the Triune God

Prelude: *Lord, I Need You*

Chris Tomlin

Welcome

*We Receive God's Greeting

*Songs:

Ten Thousand Reasons

Red Hymnal 559

Lord, I Need You

Chris Tomlin

Lord, I come, I confess. Bowing here, I find my rest.
And without you, I fall apart. You're the one that guides my heart.

*Lord, I need you, oh I need you. Ev'ry hour I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness; oh God, how I need you.*

Where sin runs deep, your grace is more.
Where grace is found is where you are.
And where you are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me.
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Refrain

So, teach my song to rise to you when temptation comes my way.
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on you. Jesus, you're my hope and stay.
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Refrain 2x

***Scripture: Romans 8:1-2; 12-17**

***Song:** *Spirit of the Living God*

Red Hymnal 749

*Passing of the Peace

We Are Renewed by the Spirit

Children's Time

(Children in the Preschool Church Hour Class dismissed to Room 27.)

Moment for Ministry: Norm & Barb Fichtenberg

*Please stand if you are able.

Prayers of the People

We Present our Gifts & Offerings for:

1. The Lord's work through AACRC
2. Fridsro Christmas Party

Offertory: *Be Thou My Vision*

Red Hymnal 859

We Are Fed by God's Word and Table

Scripture: Philippians 2

Sermon: "Oikos: Hospitality as Prophetic Witness"

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

Institution and Invitation

Communion

This morning we celebrate communion. All who love Jesus Christ, trust in him alone for their salvation, and agree to be his disciple are invited to join with us in this celebration.

With thanks and joy, take the bread and dip it into the cup. If you are unable to proceed to the front of the sanctuary to partake of communion, remain seated and the elements will be brought to you.

Communion Songs:

<i>In Our Lives, Lord, Be Glorified</i>	Red Hymnal 861
<i>May the Mind of Christ, My Savior</i>	Red Hymnal 334
<i>The Servant Song</i> (Instrumental)	Red Hymnal 309
<i>Alleluia</i>	Red Hymnal 958

We Go Out in God's Peace

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

***We Receive God's Blessing**

***Song:** *My Friends, May You Grow in Grace*

Red Hymnal 938

***Postlude**

Sunday Morning • 9:30 am

- Preacher: Pastor Ryan Boes
- Scripture: Philippians 2
- Special Offering for Fridsro Christmas party.

Sunday Morning • 9:30 am

- Preacher: Rev. Dr. Tim Brown
- Harvest brunch followed by a congregational meeting
- NO youth Sunday School or House Groups

Youth Ministry

- Preschool Church Hour class will meet during worship in Room 27 for children 3-5 years of age who have not started Kindergarten. The children will be dismissed to their class during the worship service.
- Sunday School Nursery (Infants through 2 years old)
- 10:50–Preschool (3 and 4 year olds) in Room 27
- 10:50–Sonshine Singers (K through 1st grade) in Room 28, then dismissed directly to Sunday School rooms
- 10:50–Shepherd’s Singers (2nd – 5th grade) in Room 23, then dismissed directly to Sunday School rooms
- 10:50–Savior Servant Singers (6th-12th grade) in Room 19, then dismissed directly to Sunday School rooms
- 11:50 – Sunday School Dismissal

Sunday School Rooms

- Preschool (3&4’s) – Room 27
 - K/1st – Room 29
 - 2nd/3rd – Room 21
 - 4th/5th – Room 22
- Downstairs:**
 - 6th – Room 13
 - 7th/8th – Room 12
 - REACH (HS) – Youth Room

Adult Sunday School

- Sunday Morning House Groups - meet in your designated room. (10:50-11:50)
- Downstairs in Room 17, BESEL Sunday School, studying the Bible in English, sing Gospel songs in different languages. Teachers: Mark Schult and Naomi Nah Schult, Yang Liu, Jukie Wilson.

New to Ann Arbor or AACRC?

- If you would like to be added to our weekly email, Connections, or have a mailbox assigned, please contact Rachel in the church office: office@aacrc.org.
- Have you heard about our House Groups? We would love to have you join us for a time of fellowship and studying God’s Word in a small group format. Groups meet at various times. Contact Ross Weener for more information: rweener@aacrc.org.



announcements & reminders

Congregational Meeting on Oct. 28

There will be a congregational meeting following the Harvest Brunch on Sunday, October 28. The council will be presenting the motion to call Noah and Kristen Livingston and amend the '18-'19 FY budget as was approved at their October 10 council meeting. Council will also be offering two informational sessions for anyone interested to discuss budget implications and other items on Wednesday, October 17 at 7:30 and Sunday, October 21 at 7:00.

An absentee ballot is available in the church office for those who are unable to make the Oct. 28 congregational meeting.

Harvest Brunch - October 28

Mark your calendars! There will be a potluck brunch following the service next Sunday, October 28. More details will be coming.

Special Offering for Fridsro TODAY

For many years, we have had a special offering to help cover the costs of a Christmas party and meal at the Children's Home in Sri Lanka. The Fridsro Christmas party/meal is a much-needed and appreciated encouragement for both the staff and all the children. The cost for the Christmas celebration is \$4,500. It includes lunch on Christmas Eve, an evening tea party, lunch on Christmas Day, gifts, decorations and a special outing for the children and the staff. Those who wish to join in sponsoring the Christmas festivities can make a check out to AACRC with "Fridsro/Christmas Party" on the memo line. This offering will now be one of our primary means of supporting this important ministry.

Have you seen the orange fish?

Our students are collecting their Sunday school tithe for World Renew's Passion Project, BEE-A Life Changer (<https://www.myworldrenew.net/beealifechanger>). Our goal is to raise \$200. The students may turn in their collection at the beginning of Sunday school TODAY. Please bring the coins or bills collected in an envelope or Ziploc bag labeled BEE collection and list the amount enclosed. Do not bring in "the fish". Thank you for your support.

CPR/AED

If you would like to learn the current method for cardiac resuscitation and correct operation of the AED machine a CPR/AED class will be offered November 6, 6:30-8:30 in room 24. Please RSVP by November 1st to Barb Okonkwo at bjokonkwo69@gmail.com so materials can be ordered.

Pastor Appreciation Month

October is Pastor Appreciation month in all of the churches in the Christian Reformed denomination. We would like all of you to join with us in expressing our appreciation for the work and ministry of Pastor John and Pastor Ryan. Please look for an opportunity to do so in the days and weeks ahead.

Thanksgiving Day Prayer

If you would like to include something you are thankful for into our prayer during our Thanksgiving Day service, please pass that along to Pastor John or Pastor Ryan no later than Monday, November 12.

You are invited!

Stephen Ministry Network of Southeast Michigan Fall Conference

Saturday, Nov. 3, 8:15-2:15

St. John's Armenian Church, Southfield

Topic: "I'm suffering! He must be there, but how do I find Him?"

If interested, please contact Louise Gruppen by Oct. 22.

Carpooling is available.

Calvin College Tailgate

Calvin College invites alumni friends and family to a tailgate at the Richard L. Postma Family Clubhouse prior to the the UM vs. PSU game on November 3, game time TBD. For more information and to register, visit the following web page: calvin.edu/go/tailgate

CAP Thanksgiving Basket Time!

Option 1 (Due by Sunday, November 18):

It's that time of year! We once again have the opportunity to be a blessing in our community by providing holiday meal baskets to those in need in the Detroit area through the Community Assistance Program (CAP). If you want to get a jump on purchasing the food items, you can find the link to the food list in the last Connections. A bulletin insert will also be coming soon with further details and basket collection dates.



New this year! Option 2 (Due by Sunday, November 4):

If you desire to contribute to the CAP meal service opportunity but doing the shopping is not feasible, the Roots students are happy to announce that they will do that part for you! All you need to do is provide a **donation of \$55 (\$30 for items plus \$25 for a turkey)** for each basket you wish to donate. The check should be made out to **CAP and "CAP Thanksgiving Basket"** should be in the memo line. These donations must be received by Sunday, November 4 to allow time for the Roots students to perform the necessary shopping and bagging. The checks can be added to the usual Sunday collections or delivered to the church office.

Help us reach our goal of 150 Thanksgiving Baskets for CAP this year!

Finally, don't forget about the CAP closet across from the bathroom downstairs at church. CAP would love to receive and distribute any winter clothing items that you are willing and able to donate!

AACRC Weekly Calendar

Today, October 21

- 9:30 AM Morning Worship
10:50 AM Sunday School
10:50 AM House Groups
10:50 AM Soup Group
4:00 PM REACH - at Benninks' house
7:00 PM Council Information Session

Monday, October 22

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
7:00 PM Stephen Ministers Meeting

Tuesday, October 23

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
9:30 AM Coffee Break
1:15 PM Coffee Break
7:00 PM Dinner at Lindquist's House
7:15 PM Worship Team Rehearsal
7:30 PM Tuesday Tutoring

Wednesday, October 24

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
9:00 AM Side by Side
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 25

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
10:00 AM Morning Prayer Group
10:00 AM Crafters
6:45 PM New Life Group

Friday, October 26

- 6:30 AM AA New Awakening
6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
7:30 PM FaHoLo

Saturday, October 27

No Events Scheduled

Sunday, October 28

- 9:30 AM Morning Worship
10:50 AM Harvest Brunch with congregational meeting to follow

Assisting This Week 10/21

Coffee Servers

- 9:30 Bruce & Susan Furr
Al & Dorothy Vegter

Nursery

- 9:30 Sue DeZeeuw, Theresa Tanin,
Faith & Olivia Palmbo
SS Claudia Larson,
Dane/Sarah Peterson

Preschool Church Hour

- 9:30 Lorri Vander Roest, Andrea &
Jacob Bennink, Dre Hubers

Assisting Next Week 10/28

Coffee Servers

- 9:30 Harvest Brunch Celebration

Nursery

- 9:30 Kellie Steen
Ron & Sharon Reimink
SS Nicole Michmerhuizen,
Mary Herrema

Preschool Church Hour

- 9:30 Chuck & Debbie Bigelow,
Sara Bush, Jack Doorlag

Communion Servers

- 9:30 Mike & Debbie Cuffle
Larry & Louise Gruppen



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Mission Focus: Jake & Julie Perera
Fridsro Children's Home, Sri Lanka



2018 has been great for the kids at FCH. We have been blessed with several new children and been able to support a few children to safely return to live with families. Our talented achievers have excelled in sport,

dancing, drama and education. Currently the FCH family has 86 children— 44 male and 42 female aged between 2 and 19 years old. CHRISTMAS IS COMING! It is now mid -October (where has the year gone?!), and the kids have started to talk about Christmas. Christmas time is difficult for our kids because they do not have parents or siblings they can spend it with. They do not know what it's like to make a wish list for Santa or go to Christmas service with their family. Although we know that what they truly want in their heart is to spend Christmas with their families, the reality is not so. Therefore, we can only try our very best to make them feel as special as possible. So, the plan this year is for all the Christmas activities to be totally driven by the choices of kids through the FRIDSRO Children's Forum. They will have the support and guidance of the staff of course, however, they are very keen to produce the best Christmas we have ever had.

As a blessed partner of FCH, you have so graciously supported us over many years. In order to make this a successful "best Christmas we have ever had," we gracefully request your support this year to make the Christmas wish of our kids come true. We cannot express our gratitude in words for your support. Thank you for making Christmas better for our kids at FCH. May God bless you!