

April 30, 2023

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

* Please rise in body or in spirit

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

* God’s Greeting

* Call to Worship

* Silent Prayer

* Blue Songbook # 24

Shout to the Lord

* New Hymn # 7

O Give Thanks

GEMS Update & Litany (on screen & across page)

GEMS Video

Prayer of the Lord’s People

Offering

GEMS

Offertory

* Gray Hymnal # 557

My Jesus, I Love Thee

Scripture

Micah 6:8

Sermon

What the Church Does: Build Strong Women

Prayer of Application

* Red Hymnal # 2

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

* God’s Blessing

* Gray Hymnal # 627

Bless His Holy Name

* Postlude

GEMS Sunday 2023 – Litany

Leader: For fifty years, girls and women from generation to generation have been uniting their voices to recite Micah 6:8 in their GEMS Clubs. Whether their club is in Canada, the US, Uganda or 13 other countries, it sounds like this:

Wayland GEMS and GEMS leaders, what does the Lord require of us?

Girls: To act justly and love mercy and to walk humbly with our God, Micah 6:8.

Leader: This is who God is!

All: “I am the Lord, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight,” declares the Lord (Jeremiah 9:24).

Leader: In grateful response to who He is and what He’s done for us through Jesus, we act, love and walk.

Girls: We act justly by taking action and doing what is right.

All: Blessed are those who act justly, who always do what is right (Psalm 106:3).

Girls: We love mercy by serving one another with love, kindness and compassion.

All: Serve one another humbly in love (Galatians 5:13).

Girls: We walk humbly with God by saying “YES” to God and walking in His way for our lives.

All: Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love (Ephesians 4:2).

Leader: Equipped with God’s Word and compelled by His love, these girls are making a difference as they act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with God. Let’s encourage them, pray for them, and join them. Because Micah 6:8 isn’t just for girls in GEMS, it’s for all. Are you ready?

Girls: Girls, boys, and grown-ups, what does the Lord require of us?

All: To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with our God, Micah 6:8. Amen.

Welcome to Wayland Christian Reformed Church

**We are so glad you joined us this morning as we celebrate GEMS Sunday!
GEMS stands for Girls Everywhere Meet the Savior.
Please join us for coffee & fellowship following the morning service.**

Today

Thanks to Jerry Zandstra and the Praise Team for leading us in worship this morning.

Join us tonight at 5pm as Russ Ooms leads us in Bible Study. **All are welcome.**

Youth Group Reminder: we meet tonight! This will be our last Bible study with Pastor Jerry before we break for the summer.

From the Youth Group

Mentors Needed: We have 4 seniors this year that are graduating high school. Looking for 4 mentors to connect them with for the next 2 years as they transition to post high life. **Our graduates are Isaac Dehaan, Nick Erlanger, Zoey Grassmid, and Gabi Verburg.** Please see Simon or Jess Kraima with any questions or would like to volunteer as a mentor.

Exploring Wayland CRC Class

If you are interested in becoming a member of Wayland CRC and want more information, Pastor Zandstra will be holding a “Exploring Wayland CRC” class on Sunday, May 21 at 11 am, following the morning service in the Council Room. If you’d like to attend, please let Pastor Zandstra know by text (616-550-6209) or email (jerry@jerryzandstra.com).

Christian Neighbors

May is our semi-annual collection month for **Christian Neighbors Food Pantry.** Please place your donations on the pew in the foyer.

From the Office

May/June Today Devotionals are in your mailboxes today. Additional copies are located in the magazine racks and bathrooms.

Congregational Meeting

Save the Date: Monday, May 22, 2023 at 7pm, Wayland CRC will be holding our annual congregational meeting. More information coming soon.

Attention: Women over 50

Would you like to join the Ret Hat Ladies for lunch & fellowship? We meet the first Monday each month. We’ll have a short meeting after the morning service today, April 30, 2023, next to the council room.

Son-Life Camp

Spring Work Week is May 16-20, 2022. Come out and help us get ready for another amazing summer of ministry! We’re looking for anyone willing to lend some time and energy to help camp get ready for summer. Serve for one day or serve for the week! **Contact us to let us know you will be joining us.** Call us at 269-792-2081 or email at office@son-lifecamp.org.

Volunteer Mowers Needed: we are looking for volunteers to help mow lawns once a month (depends on availability and number of volunteers) this summer. Should have the ability to run a zero-turn mower and be 18 yrs. or older. Please call us if you are interested in being added to the schedule. (269) 792-2081 or e-mail at office@son-lifecamp.org.

Local Choir Concerts

The King’s Choraliers Spring Concert: April 30, 2023 at 7pm– You are invited to enjoy and be inspired by the music of this west Michigan men’s choir as they sing about the good news of Jesus Christ! In addition, if you are interested in adding your own voice to the Choraliers, please chat with one of the members when you attend the concert or visit their website: thekingschoraliers.com A free-will offering will be received at the concert to support this music ministry. **Location:** Trinity United Reformed Church, 7350 Kalamazoo SE, Caledonia, MI 49316.

The Metropolitan Choir of Praise was organized in 1963 and this year will celebrate its 60th Anniversary with a Spring Concert on Friday, May 5, 2023 at 7 PM with their guests, Jubal Brass, at 1st Byron Center CRC, 8541 Byron Center Ave. SW, Byron Center, MI 49315. Please join us for a night of praise to our God as we sing many of your favorite hymn arrangements and many more songs thanking Him for His faithfulness. There will be a Freewill Offering.

Sermon Notes

Sermons are recorded and can be viewed at <http://waylandcrc.org/sermons.html>

Prayer Guide – April 30, 2023

Prayer Requests...

- **Pam Eylander** will be having back surgery on Friday, May 5, 2023.

Ongoing Prayer Requests...

- **Jobje Lammers'** as she goes through chemotherapy in the fight against pancreatic cancer.
- **Willy Nieuwenhuis'** as he goes through aggressive monitoring and treatment.
- **Harriet Davies** begins a maintenance program after finishing chemotherapy treatments.
- **Our Church Service Members: David Seinen, Tim Sterk, Dani Verburg & Matt Haaksma**
 - **Tim Sterk & Jordan DeLange** (Glyn & Char son-in-law) currently deployed to Syria.
- **Missionaries: Tom & Donna Cossen, Kyle & Marcia Post**

Prayer Opportunities for Everyone

Wayland CRC Prayer Line anytime – (269) 792-PRAY

We want to pray for you! Please notify the office with prayer requests & updates.

Schedule for Weekly Offerings

Offering envelopes are in the chair pockets or in the back of church. Please include your number.

April 30, 2023 – GEMS (Girls Everywhere Meeting the Savior) - our club for girls in grades 2-12 to help them grow spiritually in all areas of life (devotional, mental, physical, and social).

May 7 – Local Expenses – pays for the day-to-day operations of the church.

May 14 – Alpha – non-profit, pro-life, Christian organization providing support for women who find themselves with an unexpected pregnancy.

May 21 – Right to Life - an organization of diverse and caring people united to protect the precious gift of innocent human life from fertilization to natural death.

May 28 – Christian Education Assistance Fund – helps our church families with the cost of tuition.

This Week's Activities (April 30 – May 6, 2023)		
Today	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	10:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	5:00 p.m.	Evening Bible Study Youth Group

Service Assignments for Volunteers		
	Today	Next Sunday
Nursery	Bob Elzinga Laurie Elzinga Keegan Harshberger Carson Sterk	Tyce Tanner Natalie Tanner Harley Kamps Charlie Johnson
Little Lambs Leader Little Lambs Helper	Mary Schaafsma Kaylee Kamps	Mary Schaafsma Ben Kamps
Children's Worship	Chloe DeVries	Chloe DeVries
Ushers	Pete Sterk James Buist	Scott Schaasfma Ken Sterk
Greeters West South	Josh DeHaan Pete DeVries	Glyn Davies Mitchell Doornbos
Sound System	Shannon Bird	Simon Kraima
Security	Tom Apol	Shannon Bird
Roaming Greeters	Keith & Jodi Johnson	Bob & Anna Mae Tanner
Morning Coffee	Ron & Ruth Grassmid	Rhys Davies

Upcoming Worship Services & Special Notes			
April 30, 2023	AM	Jerry Zandstra	GEMS Sunday
	PM	Russ Ooms	
May 7, 2023	AM	Jerry Zandstra	Sunday School Awards
	PM	Russ Ooms	
May 14, 2023	AM	Jerry Zandstra	Mother's Day
	PM	Russ Ooms	
May 21, 2023	AM	Jerry Zandstra	Profession of Faith: Nate, Tyler & Shannon Oetman
	PM	Russ Ooms	
May 28, 2023	AM	Bill Fernhout	