



# COMMUNITY

— PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH —

*Him We Proclaim*

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;  
to all who mourn and long for comfort;  
to all who struggle and desire victory;  
to all who sin and need a Savior;  
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;  
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;  
and to whoever will come--  
this church opens wide her doors and offers  
her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**September 22nd, 2019**

---

Rev. Jonathan Landry Cruse, Pastor

2131 Alamo Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49006  
269-345-0225 | [jcruse@kalamazoocpc.org](mailto:jcruse@kalamazoocpc.org)  
[kalamazoocpc.org](http://kalamazoocpc.org) | [facebook.com/kalamazoocpc](https://facebook.com/kalamazoocpc)



## MORNING WORSHIP - 10AM

*Pastor Cruse leading and preaching in worship*

Prelude

Preparatory Thought:

“All man’s efforts to solve the problems of life fail, whether they be along purely intellectual lines, or consist in moral effort and striving, or in painful trudging along the mystic way. But the gospel actually works. The gospel alone faces and exposes, and really deals with, the fundamental problem of man and his needs. It alone diagnoses accurately; it alone has the remedy.”

- D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones

Welcome and Announcements

### GOD CALLS US

\* Call to Worship: Psalm 147:1-3,7

\* Invocation

Minister: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

**People: Who made heaven and earth!** (Psalm 124:8)

Minister: Let us pray...

\* God’s Greeting

\* The Doxology

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\* Psalm of Praise: 147B, *O Praise the Lord, for It Is Good*

### GOD CLEANSSES US

Reading of God’s Law: Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Silent Prayer followed by Corporate Confession

Minister: Let us confess our sins together, saying...

**People: Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit. We ask this through our only mediator and advocate Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Declaration of Pardon: Galatians 2:16

Acclamation of Praise: Galatians 2:20

**"I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."**

\* Hymn of Assurance: 444, *Come to the Waters*

GOD CONSECRATES US

Congregational Prayer

**Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

\* Hymn of Preparation: 394, *Eternal Spirit, God of Truth*

\* Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Exodus 2:11-22

Sermon: **The Deliverer They Don't Want** | no. 3 in series

Prayer of Application

\* Hymn of Response: 326, *My Song Is Love Unknown*

GOD COMMISSIONS US

\* Benediction

\* Dismissal and Postlude

## SERMON HELPS - AM SERVICE

*Parents, be sure to discuss these questions at home with our young worshipers.*

1. What is the title and Bible text of the sermon?
2. What are the main points of the sermon?
  1. Moses \_\_\_\_\_ with His People
  2. Moses Is \_\_\_\_\_ by His People
3. How old is Moses in this story? Where do we learn that detail?
4. What does it mean to bear "reproach" for being a Christian? Has that ever happened to you?
5. What tends to happen when we true to do God's work without Him? How does this play out for Moses in this story?
6. Why did people reject Jesus? Have you rejected or received Jesus?

FLOCK

KILL

MIDIAN

MOSES

PHARAOH

SHEPHERDS

SOJOURNER

WATER

WELL

ZIPPORAH

S S Y N T K O B Z S

O K H Y A K I I U E

J I W E C I P L B S

O U E O P P D A L O

U K L R O H H I K M

R F L R R W E D M C

N W A T E R N R X R

E H O A R A H P D T

R S Z R L Y R P Q S

# SERMON NOTES



## EVENING WORSHIP - 6PM

*Pastor Cruse leading and preaching in worship*

Prelude

Preparatory Thought:

*"Godliness puts a man in heaven before his time." - Thomas Watson*

Welcome & Announcements

\* Call to Worship: Psalm 123:1-2

\* Invocation

\* God's Greeting

\* Gloria Patri (572)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, Amen.**

\* Psalm of Praise: 15B, *Who, O Lord, with Thee Abiding*

\* Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (851)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 51

Corresponding Psalm: 51C, *God, Be Merciful to Me*

Congregational Prayer

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

*Designated for our Hub-Spokes Missionaries*

\* Hymn of Preparation: 413, *Revive Thy Work, O Lord*

\* Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 4:1-9

Sermon: **The Great Gain of Godliness** | no. 3 in series

\* Hymn of Response: 538, *Take My Life, and Let It Be*

\* Benediction & Dismissal

\*Standing if Possible

# PRAYER REQUESTS

Do you have item of prayer or praise you would like to share with our church family via the bulletin? If so, send them to Pastor Cruse at [jcruse@kalamazoocpc.org](mailto:jcruse@kalamazoocpc.org), or fill out the prayer card found in the pew rack.

## Our Church

- The weekly pulpit ministry: that Christ would be proclaimed as our only comfort in life and in death. For the leadership of CPC: that they may be granted humility, wisdom, and love in the task given to them. Our witness to the community: that we might bring more people in who do not know Christ, and be a light in this dark world. The effectiveness and growth of our regular ministries (prayer group, Bible studies, Sunday School, etc).
- For our members and member families: for God's protection over them, for good health, for growth in every spiritual grace.
- We praise God that our friend Garth Randall has made it safely to South Africa where he will be working for the next 6 weeks. Please pray for Katie and the kids while they are apart.
- For Mato Murai, as she will be in Japan for the next two months. Also keep in your prayers Kaoru as she begins school in Ann Arbor.
- For expectant mothers Melissa Bekius and Hannah Yoo.
- Continue to pray for Megan Meulenberg, as a recent MRI has shown she fractured her tibia and sprained a ligament in her knee.
- Pray for the health of member Steve Conolly.
- Continue to pray for Jojo and Rigo after their hearing on the 16th. The judge ruled to terminate parental rights. Please also ask God to clearly lead the McElvains regarding the children's future with them.
- For local fellowship and encouragement from the Body of Christ for the McElvain's friend Allie as she moves with her family down to Arizona to begin cancer treatment this month.
- Pray for Pastor Tim Bero as he undergoes visual therapy the next few weeks after his minor stroke. Pray that the Lord would be merciful and grant him full restoration of his eyesight.
- Our shut-in sister Fran Mejeur.

## The Wider Church

- New City Fellowship OPC, Grand Rapids, MI, Pastor Mika Edmondson (Christina).
- Jon Shaw and Al Tricarico, Home Missions general and associate general secretaries.
- For our missionary families: Westervelds (Quebec), the Hopps (Haiti), the Johnsons (Thailand), and the Hills (Uruguay).
- For our Christian brothers and sisters facing persecution around the world: Eritrea, North Korea, Iraq, Iran, Egypt, China, India, Pakistan, Myanmar, Nigeria, and many other countries.

## The World

- For those in the pathway of Hurricane Dorian. Pray especially for Bahamians who have faced devastating damage on some of their islands.
- For civility in our country's political discourse, and that justice and truth would win out in our political and governmental systems.
- Our President and all other elected officials.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome to our visitors! We are so pleased to have you with us and hope you are refreshed and encouraged by the good news of the gospel!
- **Our monthly prayer meeting is this Wednesday at 7.**
- Mid-week Bible studies will begin in October. **There is a signup sheet downstairs** for the women regarding the two different studies being offered. Books will be purchased in advanced for participants so please sign up!
- **Reformed Heritage Christian School is having their annual mum flower sale** fundraiser each Saturday in September from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. The sale is located at the corner of Nichols and Ravine Roads. There will be a variety of colors and sizes. Thank you for your support!
- Save the Date: October 18th, Bonfire at the Bils!
- **We are looking for volunteers to help with our Kids' Hope program at Woodward Elementary!** Please speak with Jennifer Westerman if you are interested or have any questions.
- **Next Sunday evening we will celebrate the Lord's Supper**, beginning a quarterly observance in our PM services. To help your heart prepare this coming week, consider the following words from John Calvin:

*In seeking to prepare for eating [the Lord's Supper] worthily, men have often dreadfully harassed and tortured miserable consciences, and yet have in no degree attained the end. They have said that those eat worthily who are in a state of grace. Being in a state of grace, they have interpreted to be pure and free from all sin. By this definition, all the men that ever have been, and are upon the earth, were debarred from the use of this sacrament. The only real worth which we bring to God is to offer him our unworthiness and vileness so that, in his mercy, he may make us worthy of him; to be cast down within ourselves, so that we may be comforted by him; to be humbled within, so that we may be exalted in him; to die to self, so that we may find life in him.*

## LORD'S DAY

10:00 A.M.      Morning Worship  
 11:15 A.M.      Coffeetime  
 11:30 A.M.      Sunday School  
 6:00 P.M.      Evening Worship

## SEPT. BIRTHDAYS

4 Grace Jeromin	26 Gideon Verschoof
7 Levi Jeromin	29 Novak (anniv.)
8 Carien Ybema	30 Anja Verschoof
15 Benjamin Nadeau	30 Conolly (anniv.)

	9/22	9/29	10/6	10/13
Nursery AM:	Kelly Y. & Olivia V.	Renee B. & Ronnie C.	Liz S. & Sue M.	Mary A. & Jen T.
Coffee Time:	Yoo	Alphenaar	Bekius	Fellowship Meal

Pastor Jonathan Cruse (814) 932-6630  
 Elder Bob Jackson (269) 569-6455

Pastor Markus Jeromin (269) 808-4287  
 Elder Perry Westerman (269) 808-1105