

SERMON NOTES:

Passage: John 15:26-16:15 Sermon Title: The Spirit of Truth

ALLEN AVENUE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH



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PASTOR MARK HOFMAN
WORSHIP SERVICE 10:00AM
SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

Come...Now is the Time to Worship!

Sunday, September 29, 2024 -- Pastor Mark Hofman

GATHERED TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Invitation to Quiet

Gathering Song *All You People* LUYH 496

Prayer of Invocation

Leader: Holy Spirit, Lord and giver of life: At the beginning of time you moved over the face of the waters; you gave every living thing the breath of life.

People: Come, Creator Spirit, and renew the whole creation.

Leader: Holy Spirit, voice of the prophets: You enflame men and women with a passion for your truth, and through them you call your people to the ways of justice and compassion.

People: Come, Spirit of righteousness, and burn in our hearts.

Leader: Holy Spirit, Advocate, Teacher: You speak to us of our Lord and show us the depth of his love.

People: Come, Spirit of truth, abide in us and lead us in the way of Jesus Christ.

Leader: Holy Spirit, wind and flame: You filled disciples with joy and courage, empowering them to preach your Word and to share your good news.

People: Come, Spirit of power, make us bold witnesses of your redeeming love.

Leader: Holy Spirit, Lord and giver of life: At the close of the age all creation will be renewed to sing your praises.

People: Come, Creator Spirit, and make us new creations in Jesus Christ.

*Song of Praise *Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God* LUYH 746

*God's Greeting

*We Greet One Another

RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may know you more deeply, love you more perfectly, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Song *Eternal Spirit, God of Truth* LUYH 641

Children's Blessing

As you worship the Lord, may he go with you, may his Spirit live in you, and may his love fill you. Praise him with your whole heart.

Prayers of the People Pastor Mark

LISTENING TO GOD SPEAK

*Song of Preparation *Holy Spirit, Truth Divine* LUYH 864 :1-4

Scripture Passage John 15:26-16:15
(Leader: "This is the Word of the Lord."
People: Thanks be to God.)

Message *The Spirit of Truth*

Prayer of Application

OUR RESPONSE

Our Offerings: General Fund
[offerings may be given online at allenavechurch.org or in the baskets at each entrance]

*Song *Lead Me, Guide Me* LUYH 329

SENT OUT

*God's Parting Blessing

*Parting Song of Praise *Step by Step* LUYH 743

*Postlude

We Live to B.L.E.S.S.

*Believe. Love. Evangelize.
Support Christian Instruction. Serve.*



NURSERY & COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

9/29: Nursery: Mary Maat & Laurie DeJonge
Coffee Fellowship: Roger & Laurie Slorf
10/6: Nursery: Carol Peterman & Karen Alphenaar
Coffee Fellowship: Ron & Kristen Vlasma
10/13: Nursery: Renee Vlasma & Beth VanRees
Coffee Fellowship: Judy Vaandering & Sue Secord
10/20: Nursery: Dale Johnson & Serenity Alphenaar
Coffee Fellowship: Jack & Sherrie Wolffis

ALLEN AVENUE MISSIONARIES



***Pray for the * Missionary this Week**

Stephan and Alicia Lutz – Kenya
Rev. Jerry An – Back to God Ministries

***Angel Community Church – Muskegon**

Paul & Charlotte Mpindi – Mission French Africa
Charles & Hensel Oh – Philippines



ALLEN AVENUE CARE LIST

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|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1) Joann Deitz | 4) Wilma Doctor | 7) Jim Doornbos |
| 2) Betty TenBrink | 5) Lois Grinwis | 8) Joel Stefanits |
| 3) June Walcott | 6) Ro VerHeul | |

*Please call or send a card to “**Care List Member**” **Betty!**
1350 W. Hackley, Apt. 113, Muskegon, MI 49441

*We pray for you, our Care List Members,
and thank God for each one of you.
No matter what you face,
Jesus is present and each one of you matters
and is never forgotten. You are LOVED!*

A Warm Welcome to Our Visitors, Guests, & Members!

**When the Spirit
of truth comes,
he will guide you
into all truth.**

John 16:13



We are rejoicing that you have come to join us in worship this Sunday as we serve our Savior. Pastor Mark will be leading us this morning using the passage from John 15:26-16:15--Spirit of Truth. Please join us after this for a time of gathering in the lower level with our brothers and sisters in Christ to catch up and be a blessing to one another.

COUNCIL & DENOMINATION NEWS

The **special offering** for next Sunday, October 6, is for **Muskegon Christian School**. MCS exists to equip minds and hearts to **Love.Learn.Lead for Christ**.

Council had a great meeting this past week. We were able to review some committee reports and spend a good amount of time discussing some of the proposed vision and planning goals from PVC. We are encouraged and excited about opportunities for potential growth for AACRC!

Pray for Our Council. Pray for vision, wisdom, leadership, steadfastness, and unity...for Brian Schuitema Sherrie Wolffis, Gabe Vlasma, Jean Botting, Pastor Mark, Judy Vaandering, Dave Miedema, Scott Schuitema, Charry Snyder. Barb Malda, Mary Kortman, Amber Johnson, & Nate Schout. Also, for the **PVC Team**-- Pastor Mark, Jean Botting, Steve Rop, and Stan Rop.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES & OPPORTUNITIES

Our first Men's Bible study meeting will be on Tuesday, October 1, at 6:15 at church. All that is needed is a Bible. Come join us! See Dave Miedema for info.

GEMS will meet Wednesday, October 2, 6:00-8:00pm in the church basement. Please remember to bring your Bible with you. Can't wait to get the new year started!! See you Wednesday!

Don't forget the CROP Walk on October 6! One more week until the Crop Walk! Donations still gladly accepted for this worthwhile cause. We would also like to welcome anyone interested in walking with us. It is a manageable walk and always a fun time! Contact Russ and Deb Vlasma for more information.

PRAYER REQUESTS & THANKSGIVINGS

"Maraming Salamat Po! Thank you! God bless you all. Thank you so much for your continued prayers and support. Your partnership in missions here in the Philippines deeply encourages us, and we are grateful for your faithfulness."
--**Charles & Hensel Oh**, Our Missionaries in the Philippines (Please read your email sent from the church office for current prayer requests from them.

Prayers for those serving on our **Mission trip** to Floyd County, KY October 5-11.

Al Calderon is in the Battle Creek Veterans Hospital until November 10, where he is receiving the second of his three 28-day treatments for his disability. He is doing OK but misses us! Please keep him in your prayers and know he would love to receive cards of encouragement: Al Calderon C/O Battle Creek VA Hospital, Building 22, 5500 Armstrong Rd., Battle Creek, MI 449037-7314.

Carol Dirkse suffered a vertebral compression fracture. At this writing she is home awaiting her surgery scheduled for Tuesday, October 1. If you would like to send Carol a card of encouragement, here's her address:
1450 S. Ferry, St., Apt. 111, Grand Haven, MI 49417.

Becki & Randy Fisher-Please keep our son, **Patrick**, in your prayers as he undergoes some exploratory surgery next Tuesday for the growth in his neck.

Prayers for the committees, budget, decisions, upcoming nominees, programs, projects, for the church employees, organizational assignments, etc.

Sunday School and Catechism teachers/leaders, Bible Study Leaders

Children/Students of all ages

GEMS -Jill Schuitema-leader; Cadets-Pastor Mark & Dave VanRees-leaders

Schools: Parents, Teachers, Administrators (Lis, Dave, Becky, Nate & Chris), and all connected to ministering to our children.

Principals: MCS: Nate Schout, GHCS: Tim Anema, FCS: Nick Donkersloot, NECS: Jim Eppink WMC: Chris Ruiter

Public, private, and charter schools



You're invited!

A PORCHLIGHT CONCERT FEATURING

Jon Hayes

**Friday,
October 25**

Doors open at 6:00PM



Hosted by Allen Avenue CRC

695 Allen Ave. Muskegon, MI 49442



*Free chili dinner will be served.
Concert to follow at 7:00PM*

We'll see you there.

LEARN MORE AT PORCHLIGHT.ART

**RSVP with QR code or at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)
(search Jon Hayes @ Muskegon, MI)**

If you would be willing to make a crock pot of chili to feed our concert guests on October 25, please talk to Susan Vanderlaan!