

SERMON NOTES:

Passage: *Exodus 13:17-14:31* **Sermon Title:** *Devised : Moving From Sloth*

ALLEN AVENUE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH



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JANUARY 12, 2025
WORSHIP 10:00AM

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

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



NURSERY & COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

1/12: Nursery: Laurie DeJonge & Deb Anderson
Children's Church: Judy Vaandering & Jill Schuitema
Coffee Fellowship: Bob & Elaine Holwerda
1/19: Nursery: Carol Peterman & Maelin Vlasma
Sunday School & Catechism
Coffee Fellowship: Jack & Sherrie Wolffis
1/26: Nursery: Amber Johnson & Becki Fisher
Children's Church: Beth VanRees, Bob & Susan Vanderlaan
Coffee Fellowship: Freezer Ministry Ladies
(Refreshments by Marijean Schuitema Smith in honor of Michael)
2/2: Nursery: Susan Vanderlaan & Addie Maat
Sunday School & Catechism
Coffee Fellowship: Bob & Susan Vanderlaan

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



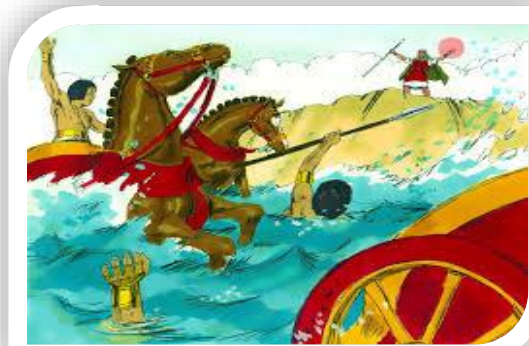
ALLEN AVENUE CARE LIST

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

*Please call or send a card to **"Care List Member," June!**

12300 Quincy St., Room 111, Holland, MI 49424

Psalms 71:17-19 – "O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds. So even to old age and grey hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim your might to all the generations to come." We love our Care List Members!



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

We are rejoicing that you have come to join us in worship this Sunday as we eagerly serve the Babe of Bethlehem and the King of Kings! During the months of January & February, we're going to learn from the story of Israel in Exodus, Leviticus, and Numbers. And

their vices will be on full display, revealing to us our own. We'll look at how "these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did...and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the culmination of the ages has come." (I Cor. 10: 6 & 11) Join us after the service for a time of gathering in the lower level with the family of God as we do life together and get caught up on one another's lives and the week! Blessings 😊

COUNCIL & DENOMINATION NEWS

The 2024 Giving Statements have been sent out via email. If you did not receive yours or have any questions, please contact Jean or Amber. Thank you for your faithful support of Allen Avenue.

The deacons are thankful for December General Fund gifts and offerings of \$23,029 and for the special offering for Resonate of \$122 and the Christmas offering for Love INC of \$352.

Our annual **goal-setting breakfast workshop** for all council and committee members will be held on Saturday, January 18, at 9-11 am.

Full council will meet on Wednesday, January 22, 2025.

Notice of Address Change - The CRC denominational offices in the US have moved. Here is their new address if you would ever like to send correspondence or a financial gift to Thrive, ReFrame, Resonate, or The Banner: 300 East Beltline NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506-1208 for all mail. More information can be found at: crcna.org/contact

CHURCH ACTIVITIES & OPPORTUNITIES

Tuesday Night Prayer Time will restart on January 14, 2025. We will continue to take prayer requests through the text groups, One Call, emails and bulletins.

It's Allen Avenue's turn to assist the residents of Christian Care with their worship and Lord's Supper on Wednesday, January 15. If you are able to serve with Pastor Mark in this meaningful way, please talk to him.

Cadets will meet on Wednesday, January 15, at 6:00pm for bible study and an astronomy craft.

GEMS will be meeting at church with the Cadets for a special astronomy event on Wednesday, January 15, from 6:00-8:00pm. Since we will be working on a badge, please remember to bring your badge book with you. If you forget or don't have one, copies will be available. Special thanks to Jim Malda for putting this special event together!

Ladies Bible Study will be studying "A Woman's Wisdom – How the Book of Proverbs Speaks to Everyone." We meet on the first and third Thursdays at 1:30pm in the lounge. See you on Thursday, January 16, for our first lesson. See Marcia Breuker or Judy Vaandering for more information and pick up our new book in the church office and complete Chapter 1 & the study questions.

It's that time again!! Time to order your SUBS AND CROISSANTS from the GEMS. The price has stayed the same so for only \$3.00, you can receive a delicious 3 meat/2 cheese sub or a ham and cheese croissant or a turkey and cheese croissant. They are perfect for easy lunches, and they freeze well. Be sure you get your order in before Jan. 22. Watch for an order form in the basement somewhere! And, thanks for supporting the GEMS program. Some of the money we make from our fundraisers this year will go towards our outing to Fredrick Meijer Gardens in March where we will cap off our Transformed year with a visit to the butterfly exhibit.

Kids Corner: Loving My Enemy - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. As you listen, remember that what bullies say about you doesn't define you. God has already said who you are. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's The Bible in One Year Plan.

PRAYER REQUESTS & THANKSGIVINGS

Heartfelt thanks to the **outgoing AACRC Council members** Gabe Vlasma, Jean Botting, Brian Schuitema, and Sherrie Wolffis for your dedicated, tireless service to our congregation and our Lord. May you have been blessed as we have been blessed by you!

Warmest congrats to **Dave Rop and Ronda Clark** who were united in marriage at Allen Avenue on Saturday, December 28. May God fill their hearts and home with much love and happiness!

Melanie Fisher had successful surgery on January 6 and spent some days in the hospital. May God heal her quickly so that she can return to school. If you would like to send Melanie a get-well card, here is her address: Melanie Fisher, 1961 Calvin, Muskegon, MI 49442.

Becki Fisher is battling pneumonia, sinus infection, and ear infections. More concerning than this is that it prevents her from visiting with her Melanie! Please heal the Fisher Family, Father.

Sally Mokma has been struggling health-wise and is having trouble sleeping. Please pray for God to minister to her and keep her safe from other illnesses.

Continue to lift **Jim & Sue Secord** up as they make decisions regarding going ahead with the lung transplant or not. May God fill them with His peace.

Anita Ward has picked up the winter "crud" and is having a hard time getting over it. May God hold her close during the long days and nights and heal her.

Betty TenBrink is presently at Trinity Hospital with Influenza A. May the medications, her medical team, and all those who care for her be effective.

Alan Wolffis – is under hospice care at the Poppen House. Please pray for him and his family as they care for him in this season.

We know that there are many more of **our members and their families** that are suffering will so many illnesses and issues...Lord Jesus, hear our prayers for them. May they know how much we care and will continue to storm the Throne Room on their behalf.