

**SERMON NOTES:**

**Passage:** Exodus 17 :1-7, Numbers 20 :1-13

**Sermon Title:** *Devised : Unrighteous Anger and Holy Meekness*

**ALLEN AVENUE  
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WORSHIP 10:00AM**



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*Believe. Love. Evangelize.*

*Support Christian Instruction. Serve.*



## NURSERY & COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

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  
2/9: Nursery: Charry Snyder & Karen Alphenaar  
Children's Church: Judy Vaandering & Amber Johnson  
Coffee Fellowship: Congregational Life-Hot Chocolate Bar!  
2/16: Nursery: Renee Vlasma & Toni Schuitema  
Sunday School & Catechism  
Coffee Fellowship: Congregational Life-Hot Chocolate Bar!

## 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) Betty TenBrink | 4) <b>Lois Grinwis</b> | 7) Joel Stefanits |
| 2) June Walcott   | 5) Ro VerHeul          |                   |
| 3) Wilma Doctor   | 6) Jim Doornbos        |                   |

\*Please call or send a card to **"Care List Member," Lois!**  
Christian Care #212, 1530 McLaughlin, Muskegon, MI 49442

***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! Today we continue our sermon series on vices focusing on Exodus 17 and Numbers 20 – Anger & Meekness. 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!

## **COUNCIL & DENOMINATION NEWS**

**The full council meeting was rescheduled to January 29 due to the weather.**

**Valentine bags will be available for our college students beginning Sunday, 1/26 through Sunday, 2/9 in the basement of church.** Please feel free to fill with goodies and cards, so we can show our love and support. Our current college students are:

- ♥ **Kayla Johnson** is in her final year at the University of Michigan and will graduate this spring with her bachelor's degree in Sport Management.
- ♥ **Emma Peklar** is in her 3<sup>rd</sup> year at Michigan State University majoring in Human Development & Family Studies with a minor in Women's Study.
- ♥ **Yeabsira Vlasma** is a junior and is studying Finance at Saginaw Valley State University.
- ♥ **Emily Snyder** is in her sophomore year at Grace Christian University studying Human Services.
- ♥ **Danny Maat** is in his freshman year at Cornerstone University and is pre-seminary in the Ministries Program.

**The special offering for next Sunday, February 2, will be for Cadets International.** Cadets is helping boys grow more Christlike in all areas of life all over the world with clubs in Kenya, Uganda, South Sudan, and Ukraine. Come ready to give and celebrate Cadet Sunday on this day with the boys!

## **CHURCH ACTIVITIES & OPPORTUNITIES**

### **New here, new to council or just want to help others through prayer?**

Often, many of the updates you get will be on Sunday, but many prayer requests need to be met earlier in the week. Become part of our prayer texting and email group. For more information please contact Peg Rop @ [pjrop@yahoo.com](mailto:pjrop@yahoo.com) or Pastor Mark.

**Deadline for the Allen AveNews** is Sunday, February 16. Please get all your newsworthy items to Sandy Volkers by then.

## PRAYER REQUESTS & THANKSGIVINGS

**Lift up our MCS, WMC, our public schools, home schools, & colleges:**

**Students:** Simon, Nora, Serenity, Maelin, Tayla, Tekalegn, Luke, Addy, August, Aethan, Asher, Jalen, Leona, Phoenix, Joey, Hope, Violet, Myles, Natalie, Melanie, Emily.

**College Students:** Emily Snyder, Yeabsira Vlasma, Danny Maat, Kayla Johnson, Emma Peklar.

**Sherrie Wolffis' sister, Nancy,** received a promising report after a CAT scan on her liver. Some of her lesions have shrunk!!! We sing praises of joy, hope and thanks to Jesus!

**Eric Vaandering** had successful emergency appendectomy and is recovering well. Judy is so thankful for our prayers for Eric, Stacy, and her!

**Sue & Jim Secord** - For answers to not go ahead with a lung transplant but for a new treatment plan including a clinical trial and new medication. Sue said last week was pretty hard on Jim and that he is doing better this week. So very thankful for this!

**Betty Tenbrink** – is home from the hospital. May she continue to be stronger every day. Sending our prayers of thanks to God for healing her.

**Jennifer Darling**-We thank God for keeping Jennifer safe during this ice storm in TX. Continued prayers for her and her work situation. We pray for all who are in areas of unexpected weather conditions.

**Nate Schout's Father, Gary and family** - We pray for Gary as he was admitted to Trinity Hospital earlier this week. At of the writing of the bulletin, he was doing better and they're planning on him staying through the weekend.

**Alan Wolffis** – continues to wait upon the Lord as to when He will come to take Alan home. Lift his family up and that Jesus will come in His perfect timing.

Praying for peace in our Justice and Political systems - **for Tim Maat and DJ.**

Praying for our **new president, new advisors, cabinet members and congress.**

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**Carol Schuitema**- is home but prays for continued healing. John said she is coming along slowly. We are thankful she is home and thank God for each step of progress. May the nourishment of breath and nutrition fill her and prayers of healing touch her each moment.

Please lift those at Allen Avenue fighting off bugs right now including **Mike Fongers** who is fighting an upper respiratory infection and cough, which is hard on him. Plus, everyone in his house is sick. May **Carol, Mike,** and the others find strength from God each day to fight these illnesses and be restored.

**Thankful for those newly coming to our church services and for activities such as Cadets, Gems, Bible Studies and Small Groups!** We lift them and pray for God's blessing on them as they interact with us. May they behold the Spirit in our church.

**Loving our council:**

**Pastor:** Mark Hofman

**Officers:** President: Jack DeJonge, Vice President; Scott Schuitema Clerk: Barb Malda, Assistant Clerk: Mary Kortman Treasurer: Amber Johnson Assistant Treasurer: Cam Vlasma

**Elders:** Jack DeJonge, Mary Kortman, Barb Malda, Scott Schuitema, Judy Vaandering, Susan Vanderlaan

**Deacons:** Amber Johnson, Nate Schout, Charry Snyder, Cam Vlasma, Russ Vlasma

**AgeWell Services is urgently looking for Volunteers** to drive for Meals on Wheels. Muskegon area routes leave from Tanglewood Park on Seminole Road and deliver Monday-Friday between the hours of 10:00am-1:00pm. You choose the day and time you are available to volunteer. If you have questions or would like to start volunteering, please contact Jessica at [jessica@agewellservices.org](mailto:jessica@agewellservices.org) or 231.559.0476. Informational posters are located around church regarding other opportunities to B.L.E.S.S. our neighbors around us...Let's do it, AACRC! **(Just in: you may drop off signed Valentine Day cards to Jessica by 2/10 to be included in the 1400 meals to be delivered on Valentine's Day.)**