The Christian Reformed Church's First Enduring Mission Field

The CRCNA's missionary work began humbly, but with tremendous perseverance, in the American Southwest. While the CRC's first official missionary was sent to the Sioux Nation in 1889, that mission was "abandoned within a year." The next, and first enduring, mission work began in 1896 among the Navajo people, and then quickly expanded to the Zuni.

The CRC sent its first missionaries,
Andrew and Effa Vander Wagen, to the
Zuni Pueblo in New Mexico. This
mission was an incredibly difficult
endeavor: the Zuni people were
resistant to outsiders, and early efforts
were fraught with danger and cultural
barriers.

The major breakthrough, however, came during a devastating smallpox epidemic around the turn of the century. While many others fled, the Vander Wagens and their infant children refused to leave, staying to care for the sick and dying. This act of sacrificial love made a lasting impression on the Zuni community and paved the way for a permanent presence.

The Zuni Christian Reformed Mission, established in 1897, became the first enduring mission field of the Christian Reformed Church in North America. This work continues today at the Zuni Christian Mission School, a testament to God's grace and the enduring power of serving our neighbors in their deepest need.

Church Calendar

This Week

November 2

Door Monitor- Steve Ruit Sound- Paul Cusack

Video- Paul Cusack

Projector- Dan Vande Vrede

Nursery- Dana Miller, Kelly Delaney, Emilia Miller, Jack Delaney

KidsChurch- Kathy Faasse, Kristen Tolsma

Coffee- Jim & Tanya Calaski

Prayers Of The People- John Belanus Children's Message- Pastor Moses

KidSpace- Barb Belanus Chosen- Jan Kuiken

Next Week

November 9

Door Monitor- John Everett

Sound-Paul Cusack

Video- Jon Englishmen

Projector- Phil Verrengia

Nursery- Sue Grimm, Mark Tolsma

KidsChurch- Linda Van Lenten, Sandy Ruit

Coffee- Craig & Ginny Hoogstra

Prayers Of The People- Pastor Moses

Children's Message-Bill Faasse

KidSpace- Dana Miller Chosen- Dan Grimm



Second Collections:

<u>November 2</u>- Missions

November 9- New Hope

November 16- SNL Youth Group

November 23-Lighthouse

November 27- Madison Ave

November 30- New Hope



Rev. Moses Kang Rob Flim. Worship Leader

November 2, 2025

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*GATHERING SONGS- "MAJESTY"

"HOLY, HOLY, HOLY IS THE LORD OF HOSTS"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*GOD'S GREETING & MUTUAL GREETING

* OPENING HYMN- "THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD"

CALL TO CONFESSION- "COME, YOU DISCONSOLATE"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF ASSURANCE- "LIVING HOPE"

OFFERING

SPECIAL COLLECTION- MISSIONS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*SONG OF PREPARATION- "CHANGE MY HEART, O GOD"

PRAYER FOR THE LIGHT OF THE SPIRIT

SCRIPTURE- EXODUS 20: 14

SERMON- "DECALOGUE: THE COVENANT AT MT. SINAI"

*Song Of Response- "In Christ Alone"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*CLOSING SONG- "LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING"

*BENEDICTION

*Doxology- "My Friends, May You Grow In Grace"

POSTLUDE

TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

EVERYONE IS INVITED FOR A TIME OF FELLOWSHIP IN THE BARN.

~ Deep Roots, Fresh Growth ~

TODAY, November 2,

Is the twenty first Sunday after Pentecost
Rev. George DeJong, respected teacher, leader and founder of Under the
Fig Tree Ministries will lead us in worship. He will be sharing of a
wonderful opportunity to visit the Lands of the Bible in late spring 2027

NEXT SUNDAY, November 9,

Is the twenty second Sunday after Pentecost

FAITH COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us for a time of Q and A with Pastor George with any questions from the sermon and about the opportunity to visit the lands of the Bible after coffee hour in the Barn. The visit to the Lands of the Bible will be June 25 - July 10, 2026.

Sunday nights are better with friends--check out our awesome trip last week to Ort Farms on our Instagram page to see! High schoolers are invited **tonight** from 6:00–8:00 pm at Cedar Hill Church for SNL. Food, fun games, and group discussions that help us grow together! Bring a friend along—we'd love to meet them!

The Christian Singles are planning a "Grateful to God" Thanksgiving turkey supper on November 8th at 6 pm. The focus of the evening is gratitude. We will have scripture, prayer and a time to express why we are grateful. The meal will include turkey with all the trimmings and dessert. Singles, widowed, divorced, and never married persons, are welcome. For more information, please contact Carol at 973-523-5072 or email cdunningCSNJ@gmail.com.

A note from the Deacons: 2026 pledge cards are available in labeled envelopes on the table in the narthex. Please return your pledge by November 9th. Please see Mike Tolsma or Dennis Crean with any questions.

This Thanksgiving season, join us in sharing the gift of hope through New Hope's first annual "Give Food, Give Hope" food drive! Choose from five themed shopping lists designed to meet the needs of different family types. Pick the list that speaks to your heart, grab a bag from the table in the narthex, shop, and help provide a Thanksgiving meal to a local family in need. If you would rather donate, feel free to grab the Thanksgiving coupon! Bags should be returned to the narthex by November 9th. Please see Kelly with any questions.

Choir is returning! We will be singing for our Thanksgiving service on Thursday, November 27th. Our rehearsals will be Wednesday, November 12th, Wednesday, November 19th, and Tuesday, November 25th from 7 to 8:15 PM. Please stay tuned for rehearsal dates for our Lessons and Carols service in December. Talk to Phil Verrengia if you have questions.

Heirborne will be hosting a pancake breakfast on Saturday, November 15th from 8-10 am at Cedar Hill Church to raise money for their retreat in January! Please mark your calendar to come out and support our youth by enjoying a delicious breakfast made and served by our Heirborne students! Any questions contact Rick Botbyl at 973-464-6986.

Men's Bible Study will meet on Thursdays at 9:30 am. They meet in the room next to the nursery. The group will begin by studying the Ten Commandments. Please see Bob Jacobs to sign up or with any questions.

LADIES: It's no secret. Some of us get together every Thursday morning at 10 am (in the blue room downstairs) for a time of fellowship. We take time for a Bible Study, but we also take time to fellowship and support each other, whatever our cares and concerns might be that day. If you haven't joined us yet, you don't know what you are missing. We invite you to stop by and share an hour of your day with us. We leave the outside nursery door open so you can avoid the stairs. If you need a ride, call Linda Van Lenten at 973-432-3783 and she'll arrange transportation. Looking forward to seeing you on Thursday!

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Cathedral Choir will present their 81st annual performance of *Messiah* by George Frederic Handel December 6th at 7:00 PM. The *American Chamber Orchestra* will again accompany the *Cathedral Choir* with a quartet of soloists and Robert F. Davis conducting.

The Brass Factory will present a concert, *Homecoming, A Celebration of American University Football* at Cedar Hill Church at 7:30 PM on Friday, November 7th. The concert is free; however, an offering will be received.

FREE admission! On Saturday, November 15th, join us for our 9th annual shopping event – "SHOP TO STOP Human Trafficking" - where you can purchase fantastic fair trade and ethically produced merchandise. The event will feature vendors selling home goods, jewelry, art, coffee, chocolate, and much more! Enjoy FREE fair-trade coffee, refreshments, and a chance to win a great door prize! This year, all proceeds from the event will benefit two critical ministries on the front lines, **Love Links** and **Heart of Mercy Mission**. Eastern Christian Middle School, 10am to 2 pm.

Next Events at Windmere:

• Senior Safety: Staying Safe from Scams

Come to an informative presentation by Passaic Co. Sheriff's Dept. on how to protect yourself from getting scammed! Wednesday, November 19th at 3 pm at Windmere. RSVP to Lori @ 973-427-4087, ext. 667.

• Employment Opportunity:

Part-time Receptionist needed at Windmere. The hours are Monday-Friday from $3:30\ pm-8\ pm$. We are looking for an outgoing, organized person with some computer skills. Contact Lori Westerhoff 973-427-4087 ext. 667

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY FAMILY

Thank you to all those in our church family for the many kind remembrances and prayers for my birthday! All are greatly appreciated! Sincerely, Edna Hoogerhyde

John Butler is at Care One in Ridgewood recovering from a broken wrist. The phone number to reach John is 201-652-1950. Please keep John in your prayers.

Bill Sonnema has returned home. Please keep Bill & Janet in your prayers.

Please pray for *Carrie Johnson* (wife of Rev. Michael Johnson of Cedar Hill Church) as she undergoes cancer treatment.

Charlie Ackerman is in Valley Hospital, awaiting rehab, due to a fall. Please keep Charlie in your prayers.



11/5 Rob Flim

11/8 Liam Faasse

Second collections recap: 10/26/25, ECSA- \$443

Save the dates:

11/17- Council Meeting

11/30- Elder's Meeting

12/15- Budget Council Meeting

1/4- Congregational Meeting to approve budget