

PART 2: THE CHURCH IN THE HOME

The greatest legacy of the Further Reformation was the transformation of the Christian household. Pastors of this era realized that spiritual renewal could not happen solely from the pulpit on Sunday mornings; it had to be nurtured throughout the week. To achieve this, they elevated the role of the family, transforming ordinary living rooms into centers of spiritual growth and discipleship.

It was during this 17th-century movement that the tradition of the HUISKERK—the "church in the house"—was born. Families began practicing rigorous daily devotions, gathering around the kitchen table to read scripture, pray together, and systematically study the Heidelberg Catechism. This intentional focus on family discipleship built a resilient, deeply rooted faith that could withstand cultural shifts. Generations later, when Dutch immigrants packed their belongings to cross the Atlantic, this exact tradition of family-centered worship was the most precious cargo they carried, establishing the bedrock of faith that eventually anchored our congregation.

**Church Calendar**

**This Week June 28**

Door Monitor- Steve Ruit  
Sound- Paul Cusack  
Video- Paul Cusack  
Projector- Linda Van Lenten  
Nursery- Kelly Delaney, Jack Delaney, Mary van der Meer  
KidsChurch- Karen Spano, Renee Kobovitch  
Coffee- Trudie Pruiksma, Carol Dunning  
Prayers Of The People- Bill Faasse  
Children's Message- Jan Kuiken  
KidSpace- SUMMER BREAK  
Chosen-SUMMER BREAK

**Next Week July 5**

Door Monitor- Dave Ruitenber  
Sound- Paul Cusack  
Video- Jon Englishmen  
Projector- Dan Vande Vrede  
Nursery- Karen Spano, Renee Kobovitch  
KidsChurch- Kathy Faasse, Liam Faasse, Abigail Faasse  
Coffee- Trudie Pruiksma, Kelly Delaney  
Prayers Of The People- Dave Dykhous  
Children's Message- Krissy Vande Vrede  
KidSpace- SUMMER BREAK  
Chosen-SUMMER BREAK

Second Collections:

June 28- Dawn Treader School

July 5- Missions

July 12-New Hope

July 19-ECSA

July 26- Lighthouse Pregnancy Resource Center



Rev. John Algera  
Jay & Jess Everett, Worship Leaders

June 28, 2026

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING SONG-** *"WHO YOU SAY I AM"*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*GOD'S GREETING & MUTUAL GREETING**

**\*SONG OF PRAISE-** *"HOW GREAT THOU ART"*

**CALL TO CONFESSION-** *"SPIRIT, OPEN MY HEART"*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**SONG OF ASSURANCE-** *"SPIRIT, OPEN MY HEART"*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**OFFERING**

*SPECIAL COLLECTION- DAWN TREADER SCHOOL*

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**\*SONG OF PREPARATION-** *"CHANGE MY HEART, OH GOD"*

**PRAYER FOR THE LIGHT OF THE SPIRIT**

**SCRIPTURE-** *PSALM 139*

**SERMON-** *"SEARCH ME, O GOD"*

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE-** *"MAKE ME A CHANNEL OF YOUR PEACE"*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*DOXOLOGY-** *"MAY THE PEACE OF GOD"*

**POSTLUDE**

**TIME OF FELLOWSHIP**  
**EVERYONE IS INVITED FOR COFFEE, REFRESHMENTS**  
**& FELLOWSHIP IN THE BARN**

\*Please rise, in body or in spirit

**TODAY**, June 28,

- Is the sixth Sunday of Pentecost
- We will welcome Rev. John Algera to lead us in worship

**NEXT SUNDAY**, July 5,

- Is the seventh Sunday of Pentecost
- We will welcome Rev. Phillip Lee to lead us in worship

#### **FAITH COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Pastor Moses** will be on study leave and vacation from 6/22-7/24. If you need anything in his absence, please contact your Elder. Our pastors in his absence will be John Algera (6/28), Phil Lee (7/5), John Sideco (7/12) and John Dyksen (7/19).

**The Christian Singles** are planning to meet at 6 pm on July 11<sup>th</sup> in the Barn for a “Sandwich and Show.” We plan to have sandwiches at 6 pm followed by a Christian movie starting at 7pm. For more information contact Carol at 973-523-5072 or email cdunningCSNJ@gmail.com.

**We still have room** available in our VBS program this summer. All children 4-years-old through sixth grade are invited to attend *Snowball Mountain Challenge* August 17-21 from 9 a.m. - 12 noon each day. Register or volunteer through our church website and invite your friends!

**Volunteer needed!** Must be an adult who is familiar with items such as water, straws, notebook paper, soda and candy. If you can identify these things and are comfortable working with such complicated (NOT!) items please consider being our Science leader for VBS! See Jan Kuiken (551-427-4647) if you feel led to help in this way.

**A Give In Kind** page has been set up to support Melissa Major and her family during this time. The site allows members of our church family to sign up to provide meals and groceries. Please visit <https://www.giveinkind.com/inkinds/B8C5Q5R/supporting-the-majors> to sign up and if you have any questions, please see Kelly.

**From the Deacons:** New Hope is running low on food and is requesting help from supporting churches. The Deacons are organizing a food drive. There is an insert in the bulletin with suggested items and there will be a basket in the back of church for the donations. Thank you for your support!

#### **REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Biblical Study Tour to Italy** (April 12-22, 2027): Visit the Vatican with its Sistine Chapel and St. Peter’s Cathedral; the impressive monuments of ancient Rome; Hadrian’s Villa; Pompeii and Mt. Vesuvius; the spectacular Amalfi Coast; and much more! Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational tour. Contact Dr. Weima at [weimje@calvinseminary.edu](mailto:weimje@calvinseminary.edu) or 616-328-3110.

#### **DENOMINATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Thrive Faith Formation Tip-** The Bible contains several stories of older and younger people being connected through mentoring relationships. This week spend time identifying people God placed in your life (teachers, elders, mentors, family members) who have been or who continue to be instrumental in your faith formation. Thank God for placing that person in your life, and reach out to them, letting them know the impact they’ve had. Brought to you by Thrive: [crcna.org/Thrive](http://crcna.org/Thrive).

**Kids Corner Devotions:** Paul and Silas: God Hears Me Anywhere! - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion, “Paul and Silas: God Hears Me Anywhere!” at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Ever had a day where everything feels upside down? You can pray, sing, and trust God even when things are scary or hard. Try talking to God anywhere—at home, at school, or even while brushing your teeth—and see how He hears you every time! Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net), like The Kids Corner Activity Book Collection.

#### **OUR FAITH COMMUNITY FAMILY**

Congratulations to *Bob Pepper* who will celebrate his 91<sup>st</sup> birthday on June 29<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations to *Betty Youngsman*, who will celebrate her 94<sup>th</sup> birthday on July 5<sup>th</sup>.

*Lou Spano* returned home and continues his rehabilitation. Please continue to keep Lou and Karen in your prayers.

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



6/29 Bob Pepper

7/4 Linda Dykhouse

7/5 Bev Bentley

7/5 Betty Youngsman

7/5 Elaine Dapp

**2<sup>nd</sup> collections recap:**

**6/21/26-**

**Northside Summer Camp  
Scholarship Fund, \$1,302**