Lord, as autumn begins and a new school year starts, bless our students, teachers, and families. Grant wisdom, patience, and joy in learning, and let Your presence guide us in every season. Amen

Second Collections:

September 21-Madison Ave Crossroads

September 28-SNL Youth Group

## **Church Calendar**

## This Week

# September 21

Door Monitor- Steve Ruit Sound/Video- Dan Grimm Projector- Emily Lotz

Nursery- Dana Miller, Lynn Walker, Emilia Miller

KidsChurch- Barb Belanus, Bev Bentley

Coffee- Dennis & Jan Kuiken

Prayers Of The People- Bob Jacobs Children's Message- Barb Belanus

KidSpace- Gloria Kang

Chosen- Andrew van der Meer

## **Next Week**

## September 28

Door Monitor- John Everett Sound/Video- Jim Calaski Projector- Dan Vande Vrede

Nursery- Sue Grimm, Mark Tolsma

KidsChurch- Karen Spano, Renee Kobovitch

Coffee- Phil & Judy Verrengia

Prayers Of The People- John Belanus

Children's Message- Krissy Vande Vrede

KidSpace- Jan Kuiken

Chosen- Andrew van der Meer



# GO MAD is BACK!



The Barn @

Faith Community CRC



Friday, Sept 26



6:00 - 8:30 PM

Get ready for an awesome night of **food, games, and** wild fun with your crew!

New school year, same epic vibes. Don't miss the



**Bring a friend** — **or five!** Let's GO MAD together



Rev. Moses Kang Rob Flim. Worship Leader

September 21, 2025

#### PRELUDE

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*GATHERING SONG- "BE STILL FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD"

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*GOD'S GREETING & MUTUAL GREETING

\* Song Of Praise- "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty"

CALL TO CONFESSION- "COME, YOU DISCONSOLATE"

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** 

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** 

**SONG OF ASSURANCE-** "BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE"

**OFFERING** 

SPECIAL COLLECTION- MADISON AVE CROSSROADS

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(KIDSCHURCH DISMISSED)

\*SONG OF PREPARATION- "PURE AND HOLY"

PRAYER FOR THE LIGHT OF THE SPIRIT

**SCRIPTURE-** *EXODUS 20: 4-6, COLOSSIANS 1: 15-20* 

SERMON- "DECALOGUE: THE IMAGE OF THE INVISIBLE GOD"

(KIDSPACE & CHOSEN KIDS DISMISSED)

\*Song Of Response- "YET NOT I, BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME"

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** 

\*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, September 21,

• Is the fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

### **NEXT SUNDAY, September 28,**

• Is the sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

### FAITH COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

What do the Ten Commandments mean to you? Were you ever curious why the Ten Commandments are so important to our lives? Do you have any questions about the Ten Commandments? This fall, Pastor Moses will be preaching a sermon series on the Decalogue. There will also be two Study Groups that will look at the Ten Commandments in more detail and dig deeper from what was heard during the Sunday sermon.

**Council Update:** Council met on Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> and want to give the following updates from the meeting:

- A comprehensive VBS report was presented by Carol Dunning and accepted with great appreciation.
- A motion was carried to restart a Mission Committee and a Finance Committee. We are looking for nominations to join the committees. Please talk to any Council member with nominations.
- A motion was carried to budget for a Director of Faith Formation as a priority item in 2026
- It was shared that we receive only 40% of the pledge cards from our members. As the pledge cards get distributed next month, Council encourages the congregation to submit one to aid in setting the budget for 2026.
- Council received a letter from Harry and Leona van der Meer of their desire
  to move to church closer to their home in PA. Council approved the request
  and a letter of appreciation and recommendation will be sent to the van der
  Meer's and the respective church.

**Sharing the peace**: In worship, we are greeted by God and as a community we have a time to share God's peace with our neighbors. Traditionally, this is done through a handshake or a hug. Council would like to introduce another gesture of putting a hand over one's heart as a sign of sharing God's peace. May the peace of Christ be with you.

**Book club will meet** next Sunday 9/28 beginning at 7pm. Join us in the Barn or on Zoom to discuss Chapter 10 from both versions (2014 and 2025) of the book. If you need a copy of chapter 10 from either version, contact Amy Brooks at 973-978-4339.

**KidSpace & Chosen will** take place after the sermon, during morning worship. All kids in grades 1-4 will meet in the blue room and kids in grades 5-8 will meet upstairs in the Barn. **We are still looking for volunteers for each class to lead each week.** The sign-up sheets are in the narthex and have been emailed out- please see Pastor Moses or Kelly with any questions.

**EC Tuition Aid applications** are available in the church office. Please see Kelly if you need a copy.

**Save the date!** The Brauning's are visiting Faith Community Church. On Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, Steve and Sandra will be visiting our church to give a mission report and share of the wonderful work God is doing in the Dominican Republic. Steve will also lead us in the morning service. There will be a light lunch and mission presentation after the service. **Please note that this luncheon is being held in lieu of coffee hour.** Please sign up for luncheon on the sign-up sheets in the narthex!

**Ladies Bible Study** will meet every Thursday at 10am in the blue room. All ladies of all ages are welcome! Please see Linda Van Lenten with any questions.

**Men's Bible Study** will begin this Thursday at 9:30 am and 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.

**SNL = Sunday Night Live!** All high school students are welcome Sundays from 6:00–8:00pm for two hours of food, laughter, games, and honest conversations. Come join us on September 21<sup>st</sup> at the Barn at Faith Community Church for our first meeting of the year! Bring your friends—it's a great way to end the weekend and start a new week! Come join the fun, bring your appetite, and see what Sunday nights at SNL are all about!

#### REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Cathedral Choir** will present their 81<sup>st</sup> annual performance of *Messiah* by George Frederic Handel December 6th at 7:00 PM. Interested singers are invited to come to the first of 9 Sunday rehearsals beginning October 5th at Midland Park Christian Reformed Church. Rehearsals will begin at 2:30 PM and end promptly at 4:00 PM. The performance will be held Saturday evening December 6<sup>th</sup> at Cedar Hill Church at 7:00 PM. The *American Chamber Orchestra* will again accompany the *Cathedral Choir* with a quartet of soloists and Robert F. Davis conducting.

#### **Next Events at Windmere:**

### Tour of Homes- rescheduled!

Come take a peek inside current resident homes in the Windmere Community! See what life looks like in several apartments and interact with the people who reside here on **Wednesday, October 22 at 3 pm.** RSVP to Lori at 973-427-4087, ext. 667.

## **OUR FAITH COMMUNITY FAMILY**

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

Congratulations to *Carl & Edna Hoogerhyde*, who will celebrate their 67<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on September 24<sup>th</sup>. We give thanks for their many years together!

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, visits and phone calls while I was in rehab. Thanks be to God for my recovery and that I have returned home. Betty Youngsman

Please continue to keep *Charlie Ackerman* in your prayers. He has been battling multiple health issues, including a Graves disease diagnosis, a lesion on his spine and suffering from a minor stroke.

A memorial service for *Louise Butler* will be held on Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5pm at Feeney Funeral Home in Ridgewood. We will be singing many of Louise's compositions during the memorial service as we give thanks to God for the life of Louise and also honor the musical contributions she made.



9/21 Bob Smid 9/21 Dave Dykhouse 9/23 Krissy Vande Vrede

9/24 Agnes Crean