

# MAURICE REFORMED CHURCH

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## *Palm Sunday* — Sunday, April 14, 2019 —



**9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Ross**  
*"The Entrance of the King" Luke 19:28-44*

**This morning we welcome the Kid's Praise & Precious Jewels as they sing "He Is Exalted". Thanks for being a part of this special Sunday!**

**5:30 PM Evening Worship – DVD – "My Life Can Change" by Kyle Idleman**

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### Next Sunday at MRC – Easter Sunday

**7:00 AM Easter Sunrise Service**

**8:00-9:00 AM Pancake Breakfast**

**9:30 AM Easter Celebration led by Pastor Ross**  
Luke 24:1-12

#### Church Family Prayer

- *Congratulations to Trevor Jasper & Danielle Reinke who were united in marriage on Saturday at MRC! God's blessings to you in this new chapter!*
- *Please be in prayer for Daryl & Sandy Holtrop as they are seeking discernment & wisdom regarding Daryl's neurological appointment. Pray for wisdom for the doctors and that the next steps will be made clear to them.*
- *We extend our sympathy to Greg & Julie Hegsted in the passing of Greg's dad. Pray for comfort & peace for loved ones during this time.*  
*Continued prayers for Loren VS, Isaac S, Lorna B, Brent DK, Linda Z, Val D & Ruth H.*

## MRC HAPPENINGS



**REMINDER that Easter lily payments are due! The cost is \$17.00 and can be paid at the church office.** *Please do not place your payment in the offering. Thank you!*

**Starting this Sunday, for 3 weeks (April 14-May 5), we will be taking a special offering for disaster relief efforts with the RCA's disaster partner World Renew.** *"World Renew is working with local communities and other voluntary organizations to respond to flooding in Nebraska and Iowa,"* said DRS Director Bob Laarman. *"We expect the clean-up, mold treatment, and rebuilding to take several years. This includes needs assessments, home reconstruction, and other recovery."* There are envelopes in your mailbox for the special offering, or mark your checks flood relief.

**We're dreaming of summer: VBS registration is now open!**

We'd love to have your children join us at *Roar VBS*, which is coming to MRC on **June 3-7 from 8:45-11:30 am**. Kids will have a blast discovering that even though life gets wild, God is good!



The morning will be filled with singing, Bible stories, crafts, games, snacks, and so much more! VBS is open to Kindergarten-6th graders (based on their grade next fall), and you can register your kids at <https://mrc.breezechms.com/form/vbs20171395>. (If you volunteer to help at VBS, we offer nursery and classes for 3 year olds and preschool/TK). We need lots of wonderful volunteers like you! If you'd like to help out, please sign up online at: <https://mrc.breezechms.com/form/vbsvolunteer6433>. Paper versions of both registration forms are available at the information table. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to Bonnie Wolf, Jamie Kamerman, Jessica Oolman, or Sara Wielenga. *Please note that registrations are due by May 12, which ensures you will receive your FREE music CD before VBS begins. If you sign up after the deadline, you will receive your CD during VBS week.*

**40 Days 40 Items will be collected at church on Easter morning!** There will be an assigned place to put them. *Please do not bring them to church until then!* Thank you!



**After Sunday school today, children are welcome to come pick up a palm branch off the stage to take home!**

**Mark your calendar for April 24!** Please join in the fun at our church carnival! Meal ministry will be serving “carnival” food that night, then stay for some games, food, Bingo, and fellowship! The carnival will run from 6:20-7:30. Hope to see you there! Everyone is welcome!

**We need your help for the carnival happening on April 24!**

Needed are people to run booths, people to blow up balloons during the day, people to help set up the FLC as well as help clean it up. Also, we need some donations of bottled water and bottled soda. If you can help in any way, please sign up at the information table! Your help is greatly appreciated! *\*\*Pioneer Club Pals will be asked to be with their pal at the carnival!\*\**



**Men (and young men) are invited to attend the 32nd annual Good Friday Men’s Prayer Breakfast on April 19 from 6:30-7:45 am at Northwestern Rowenhorst Student Center.** Alan Greene is our speaker. Alan is the Founder of LifeLight. His passion is to share the Gospel message with as many people as possible and encourage the on-going work of evangelism and missions. He will certainly set our hearts and minds on Christ as we begin the Easter weekend! Please join us for a time of food, fellowship, prayer and reflection in this holy season. *To attend, please contact Caleb Haverdink at 712-463-3241 for tickets.*

**Easter Celebration in Maurice – Saturday, April 20 –** The Maurice Girls Club invites you to celebrate Easter with them. The girls will tell the Biblical account of Jesus’ death and resurrection. This will be followed by an Easter Egg Hunt, Carnival, and lunch. All are welcome! Events start at 10:00 am.

**The Maurice-Orange City Ministerial is sponsoring a Community Good Friday Worship Service at Calvary CRC on Fri, April 19 from 12:10-12:50 pm.** All are welcome! Both a financial and non-perishable food offering will be received for the Local Food Pantry.

*April’s Special Offering: Awakening Grace (see Maurice Moments article for details). Please mark your envelope or check with “Special” and place it with your regular giving in the offering plate.*

# JR. GAP MINISTRIES

## Schedule:

- **April 17** – Youth Sunday Prep/Practice
- **April 24** – Youth Sunday Prep/Practice

## Lunch Schedule:

- **April 17** – Carson J, Logan F, Brett VG, Jocelyn M
- **April 24** – Karson VO, Gabe B, Alex VH, David VZ

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

Jr. GAP Youth Sunday – Apr. 28  
8th Grade Supper – May 8  
Power Connection – July 23-28

**Jr. GAP Youth Sunday – Sunday, April 28 at 9:30 AM** – The Jr. GAP students will be leading us in worship on Sunday morning, April 28, sharing their gifts and passions to bring glory to God! On April 17 and 24, we will be prepping and practicing for that service, and it is valuable that we have all students present to participate and be a part of the planning, practicing, and necessary prep work. Some of the opportunities for students to be involved are helping in the sound booth, praise team, building/creating sets, skit team, dance, ushering, greeting, giving a message or testimony, etc. We are excited to see the gifts of the Jr. GAPpers on full display as we worship together on April 28!

**YOUTH  
SUNDAY**



## **Power Connection Minneapolis - Bethel University**

**July 23-28** – Registration is open until May 1! Sign up is at [www.synodyouth.org](http://www.synodyouth.org), click on "Register Online" and continue to sign up for Power Connection. The cost is \$110 per participant. If this is an obstacle or hurdle for your family at this time, please contact a Jr. GAP leader or Jon Eveland.

*As we have recovered from the Middle School Retreat over last weekend, we cannot forget the faithfulness of God. We want to be thankful and celebrate with Mitchell Baartman, who committed his life to Jesus following the retreat Sunday night, and Kortney Hofmeyer, who desires to make Profession of Faith following the retreat as well! There was breakthrough in many lives during the Middle School Retreat, hearts moved by the Spirit, and struggles shared and prayed over. What a blessing this weekend was for our group! "For when I am weak, then I am strong."*

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## SR. HIGH MINISTRIES

### Schedule:

- **April 17** – Blessings Night
- **April 24** – *Authentic Faith* led by Jon Eveland

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Easter Pancake Breakfast – April 21  
Prom Sunday & Brunch – April 28  
Senior Supper – TBD

### Lunch Schedule:

- **April 17** – Tyler A, Amber H, Miranda M, Eric P
- **April 24** – Morgan F, Dylan F, Hope VZ, Angel VZ

### Sr. High Summer Mission Trip - July 13-20 - Eaglecrest Alaska Missions

We are about 3 1/2 months out from going to Sutton, Alaska for our Summer Mission trip serving with Eaglecrest Alaska Missions! Our group consists of 30 students and 9 adults. We do intend to have a couple team meetings prior to leaving, so stay tuned for more info regarding that. **The remaining balance of \$250 is due.** Checks can be made out to MRC Sr. High. If you have questions, please contact Jon Eveland or a Sr. High Youth Leader.



INTERNATIONAL  
MISSION TRIP  
2019



**Easter Pancake Breakfast – Sunday, April 21, following the Easter Sunrise Service** – On Easter Sunday, Sr. High students and leaders will be serving breakfast in the FLC following the Sunrise Service. Donations received will go towards the Sr. High Youth Ministry. *We ask that students arrive in the FLC at 6:30 am, prior to the service, to begin preparation.* As in the past, we unfortunately will miss most of the Sunrise Service while we are getting breakfast prepared and ready. *Also, please bring a gallon of orange juice and milk along with you the week of Easter or that morning.*

**Prom Sunday & Brunch – Sunday, April 28** – Attention ALL prom goers! You are encouraged to wear your prom attire on Sunday, April 28 and help greet before church that morning. *Please be in the fellowship hall at 9 am to help greet as people arrive for the morning worship.* It is Jr. GAP Youth Sunday that morning, but we want you to all be greeters! We hope to have you sit together near the front of church as well. *Following the service, ALL Sr. High students are welcome to join us for brunch in the Sr. High Youth Room.*



**Senior Sunday Recognition – Sunday, May 26** – We are excited to celebrate with this year's senior class as they graduate! On this Sunday, we are going to recognize our seniors, celebrate them, share future plans, and pray for them! Jon Eveland will be asking for a baby picture, middle school and senior picture, as well as collecting information about future plans. Stay tuned for more info!

# THIS WEEK AT MRC...

## Sunday, April 14

- 9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Ross  
*\*Children & Worship dismissed during offering*
- 10:45 AM Sunday School
- 5:30 PM Evening Worship

## Monday, April 15

- 8:30 AM Fellowship Through Fitness
- 6:30 PM Bells

## Tuesday, April 16

- 9:00 AM Staff Meeting
- 1-5 PM Stitches of Love

## Wednesday, April 17

- 5:30 PM Meal
- 6:20 PM Pioneer Club
- 6:20 Jr. GAP
- 7:55 PM Sr. High

### Wednesday Night Meal

Hamburgers, hot dogs,  
potato salad, baked beans,  
snicker salad, & dessert

*Come for a great time of food  
and fellowship!*

## Thursday, April 18

- 8:15 AM Fellowship Through Fitness
- 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Communion Service

## Sunday, April 21

- 7:00 AM Easter Sunrise Service
- 8:00 AM Pancake Breakfast – FLC
- 9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Ross

	THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
<b>ORGAN/PIANO</b>	Praise Team	Judy V/Shellie VS
<b>NURSERY</b>	Kyle & Katie Phillips, Jacie Van Wyk, Morgan Feenstra	AJ & Lisa Smit, AJ & Emilee Schrock
<b>PRAYER ROOM</b>	Jerry Vermeer	Lori Van Gorp
<b>FLOWERS</b>	Sharon Plendl	Sharon Plendl