

# MAURICE REFORMED CHURCH

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*--Mental Health Awareness Month--*

— Sunday, May 5, 2019 —

**9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Ross**

**Notice** — *“Depression”* Psalm 88

**Special Music** — **Katie Leusink & Carissa Jensen** — *“Rescue”*

*Thank you for blessing us this morning!*

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## Next Sunday at MRC

**9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Ross**

**Invite** — *“Identity in Christ”* Psalm 139

### Church Family Prayer

- Please be in prayer for **Edna Vander Broek** as she recently fell and broke her arm. Pray for healing and also for a smooth transition for her as she moves to Prairie Ridge.
- Keep **Larry Dykstra** in your prayers as he had an accident on the farm last week. Pray for patience for him as he heals during this busy time of year for him.
- Please continue to keep **Rachel Leusink** in your prayers as she was diagnosed with POTS. Pray for her as she needs to make adjustments to her daily routine.
- Be in prayer for **Emily Deinken** and the Lee University Symphonic Band as they travel to South Korea from May 7-20. Thank you for supporting her and this mission!
- We praise God with **Loren Vander Schaaf** this week as tests came back showing his cancer was undetectable!
- We continue to keep **Brent De Kok** in our prayers. He finished up his last 3 day chemo treatment on Friday and will return to May on May 16 for tests. Pray that no new spots will be found and that the tumor on his lung will not have changed or will have shrunk.
- Please pray for **Arlin Bylsma** as he was recently hospitalized with pneumonia. Pray for healing and patience for him.

*And we continue to pray for Isaac S, Val D, Ruth H, Eileen W, Lorna B, & Linda Z*

## MRC HAPPENINGS



**Life Group Leaders celebration** – There will be a celebration meeting of all Life Group leaders this Wednesday, May 8, at 7:00 pm in the Sr. High Youth Room. Child care for small children will be provided.

**Golden Hour will be meeting this Wed, May 8 at 2 pm and will be covering Lesson 7.** Devotions – Evelyn DV; Hostess – Elvera VH; Hospitality – Wanda K

**A BIG thank you to John Vander Stelt for the beautiful chalk art this month!**  
What a wonderful message for all who enter MRC!

### **Address change for Karleen Smits:**

527 South Main Ave. Apt. #16  
Sioux Center, IA 51250

**Last day of Sunday school is TODAY!** Thank you to all the teachers, music leaders, nursery providers, G2G grandparents, and students for a wonderful year! God is so good!



**Children's Ministry volunteers, please bring your binder to Bonnie's office.**  
A box outside her door is available if she is not there. Thanks for your help!



**VBS Registrations are due next week!** 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-6<sup>th</sup> 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 TK/preschoolers.) Paper versions of the form are available at the Info Booth.

***Registrations are due next week, so please sign up soon! This will ensure that you get your music CD before VBS begins. If you sign up after the deadline, you will receive it during VBS week.***

*May's Special Offering: Seasons Center – Please mark your envelope or check with "Special" and place it with your regular giving in the offering plate.*



## **ISO: Awesome Volunteers for to share God's love with kids!**

We need lots of wonderful volunteers like you for this year's ROAR VBS! If you'd like to help out, please sign-up soon at <https://mrc.breezechms.com/form/vbsvolunteer6433>.

Paper versions of both registration forms are available at the Information Booth. If you have any questions, feel free to talk to Bonnie Wolf, Jamie Kamerman, Jessica Oolman or Sara Wielenga.

## **We love making VBS week come to life, but need help with some decorating!**

We are in need of a few items to borrow or have donated for the week. All items will be for display only:

- \*African (bright colored prints) or animal prints – fabric, blankets, curtains
- \*Woven baskets
- \*African items – drums, etc
- \*Large vases/pottery
- \*Grasses
- \*Cargo nets/bug netting

If you can provide any of these items to help us out, please contact Jamie Kamerman 737-7444 or [mjkamerman@yahoo.com](mailto:mjkamerman@yahoo.com).

## **WANTED: Donations for Vacation Bible School crafts!** We are

looking for: old t-shirts (adult sizes) with or without a design in any size and color, toilet paper tubes, mason jars **with** a lid (12 oz), new pencils with **unused** erasers (unsharpened), **wide** mouth **quart-size** jars (no lids). If you have any of these items, we would love it if you would place them in the 5 boxes in the fellowship hall kitchen. Thanks so much for helping us!

Donate

**Mental Health Awareness Walk and Carnival** – Don't forget to join us THIS SATURDAY for the Mental Health Awareness Walk and Carnival hosted by Seasons Center and MRC! This will be a one-mile walk to raise awareness for mental health in our communities. Following the walk will be a free, family friendly kids carnival. All proceeds will benefit Camp Autumn, a therapeutic camp serving hundreds of kids every year with trauma-informed, evidence based care for children in need of healing. It's going to be a great day so don't miss it!



**Schedule:**

- **May 8 - 8th Grade Supper - 6:00-8:00 pm**



**Power Connection Minneapolis - Bethel University**

**July 23-28** – We are excited to be taking 37 students to Power Connection this year! Reminder that the payment of \$110 is due. If this is an obstacle or hurdle for your family at this time, please contact a Jr. GAP leader or Jon Eveland.

**Jr. GAP Youth Sunday** - If you would like a copy of the Jr. GAP Youth Sunday Service, please contact Jon Eveland.

**8th Grade Supper - May 8 from 6-8 pm - The Refuge**

8th graders, you are invited to our annual 8th grade supper, along with the Jr. GAP leaders, to share a meal together, share memories and highlights of God’s work in our lives over the last 3 years of Jr. GAP and to have a fun time of fellowship! *Please RSVP to Jon Eveland by today.*

Looking forward to a great night together!



**Stay Tuned - Summer Schedule** - Even though Jr. GAP

concluded for the summer, we will have several summer events! Some of the events that we have enjoyed over the past summers include a campout, boating outing, movie nights, and Wild Water West. **STAY TUNED** for the summer schedule coming out later this month!

**Volunteers needed!** We are in need of volunteers from Jr. GAP to help with VBS this summer (June 3-7). There are several open spots in the kitchen and other areas. We are also in need of floaters if you are unable to be there every day. Please contact Jon Eveland or Jamie Kamerman if you are interested in helping. Thank you!



*“But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.”*

# SR. HIGH MINISTRIES

## Schedule:

- **May 9** - Senior Supper – *Leaving at 5:15 pm*

## Sr. High Summer Mission Trip - July 13-20

**Eaglecrest Alaska Missions** - We are under 3 months away 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 three team meetings prior to leaving, so check out that info below. **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.

**We are going to be meeting for pre-trip preparation and team building 3 times before we leave. The dates and times for these meetings are:**

- ♦ **TONIGHT @ 6:30 pm**
- ♦ **Sunday, June 2 @ 5:30 pm**
- ♦ **Sunday, July 7 @ 5:30 pm**

**All pre-trip meetings will take place in the Sr. High Youth Room. Tonight is a little later in the evening because MOC-FV has their baccalaureate service at 4 pm and we want to make sure those Sr. Highers involved in that are able to join us. We highly encourage all participants to come to these meetings. On a side note, we will have some food each time we gather!** Upon return from Alaska, we will get together as a team on Sunday, August 4 @ 5:30 pm in the Sr. High Youth Room for a time of reflection, and remembering the faithfulness of God while in Alaska.

**SENIORS  
ROCK!**

**Senior Supper - May 9** - Seniors, you are invited to our annual Senior Supper, along with the Sr. High leaders, to share a meal together, share memories and highlights of God's work in our lives over your time in Sr. High and to have a fun time of fellowship. The date is not quite nailed down yet, but will be soon, so stay tuned! Excited for a great night together! *We will be leaving church at 5:15 pm.*

**Senior Sunday – Please note that Senior Sunday will be Sunday, May 26!**

# THIS WEEK AT MRC...

## **Sunday, May 5**

9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Ross

10:45 AM Sunday School – *Last one!*

## **Monday, May 6**

8:30 AM Fellowship Through Fitness

## **Tuesday, May 7**

9:00 AM Staff Meeting

1-5 PM Stitches of Love

## **Wednesday, May 8**

2:00 PM Golden Hour

6:00 PM 8th Grade Supper

## **Thursday, May 9**

8:15 AM Fellowship Through Fitness

5:15 PM Sr. Supper

## **Friday, May 10**

5:30 PM Recycled Teens @ Crazy Bob's Only Bar & Grille

## **Saturday, May 11**

9:00 AM Walk For Mental Health Awareness

*\*Central Park, Sioux Center*

## **Sunday, May 12 – Mother's Day**

9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Ross

	<b>THIS WEEK</b>	<b>NEXT WEEK</b>
<b>ORGAN/PIANO</b>	Praise Team	Janene VG/Kristi H
<b>NURSERY</b>	Adam & Ashley Maassen, Caleb Schrock	Rob & Heather Hofmeyer and family
<b>PRAYER ROOM</b>	Miranda Maassen	Colette Hofmeyer
<b>FLOWERS</b>	Sharon Plendl	Sharon Plendl