

First CRC Fulton  
Nov. 7, 2021  
Psalm 121  
Approaching Worship  
Bulletin/Leader

**Prelude:** Waymaker - Leeland

**Welcome and Call To Worship** - Pastor Michael

**Greeting** - Pastor Michael

**Invitation to Worship through Song:**

O Worship the King

Here I am to Worship

The Heart of Worship

**Reading** (From Psalm 103):

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul,

**All: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.**

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul,

**All: and do not forget all his benefits—**

Leader: who forgives all your iniquity,

**All: who heals all your diseases,**

Leader: who redeems your life from the Pit,

**All: who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

Leader: who satisfies you with good as long as you live

**All: so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**

## **Congregational Prayer: Pastor Michael**

### **Worship through Song:**

Sanctuary

Alleluia

I Lift Up Mine Eyes to the Mountains

### **Children's Message: Brenda A.**

### **God Speaks to Us Through His Word: Psalm 121**

<sup>1</sup>I lift up my eyes to the mountains—

where does my help come from?

<sup>2</sup>My help comes from the Lord,

the Maker of heaven and earth.

<sup>3</sup>He will not let your foot slip—

he who watches over you will not slumber;

<sup>4</sup>indeed, he who watches over Israel

will neither slumber nor sleep.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord watches over you—

the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

<sup>6</sup>the sun will not harm you by day,

nor the moon by night.

<sup>7</sup>The Lord will keep you from all harm—

he will watch over your life;

<sup>8</sup>the Lord will watch over your coming and going

both now and forevermore.

**Message:** Approaching Worship - Pastor Michael  
Prayer

**We Depart with God's Blessing**

Announcements -

Parting Song: O Praise the Name

Blessing: Pastor Michael

**Church News**

**Remember in prayer our members in care facilities  
and those that are home bound:**

Dorothy B

Carroll E

Mark S

Ken B

John S

Bernie V

Jeanette B

Betty S

Albert W

**Elders and Deacons** - There is a voting box in the back of the sanctuary for nominations for Elders and Deacons on November 7&14. Bruce B, Joe V, and Amy D. are not eligible for nominations.

**Pie & Praise** will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, November 24th at 6:30 p.m.

**Deacons' News**

Please place your offerings in the plates located on the back table.

Offering received 10/31/21

Amount budgeted per week: \$1,827.82

Amount received: \$2,171.00

Amount over: \$ 343.18

Food Pantry: \$122.00

Offerings today: General Fund-Building Fund

Offerings Next Sunday: General Fund-Unity Christian School Boosters

### **Youth Group**

We will have Youth Group this Sunday, November 7, 2021.

We will have chips with cheese dip for our snack.

SERVE 2022 - We are registered. We will find out on Sunday, November 7 where we will be going. Cadillac, MI (July 30 - Aug. 6), Holland, MI (June 18 - 25), or Sioux Falls, SD (July 16 - 23). We have 11 student spots reserved and 3 adult spots reserved.

The total cost of SERVE is \$375.00 per person. We break this amount down where the student pays 1/3, youth group pays 1/3 and your home church pays 1/3 (if your home church will not sponsor you then there are scholarships available through Thereforego you can apply for). This breaks down to \$125.00 for individuals to attend. \$50.00 is due now to pre-register then \$75.00 is due in April 2022. All food and transportation will be covered also. Please let us know if you have any

questions regarding SERVE, it really is a life changing experience for all who attend :)

**Soup Supper** - We will be hosting our annual soup supper on Wednesday, November 10 at First CRC from 4:30-7:00. We will offer limited indoor dining, curbside pick-up or delivery. We will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 9 after school to set up and then Wednesday after school to start taking orders and working. We ask each YG member to donate 2 gallons of homemade soup, either Chili, Chicken & Rice or Vegetable Beef. We also will need baked goods and pies.

Compassion: Please remember your compassion donation, we are short for Oct. & Nov. See you all Sunday

### Community News

#### **Laurie Pessman Ybema, daughter of Arlyn & Jane Pessman-**

A gathering is planned to commemorate the life of Laurie Pessman Ybema who died on September 29th in Hopkins, Michigan. Her husband Marty, daughters, Adrianna, Karrie, Jonalyn, Grace and Lizzie and families along with parents Arlyn & Jane Pessman, sisters Brenda & Al Schaver and Sally & Tom Byrnes want to greet friends and family in the town she grew up in to say thank you to those who supported them during her cancer fight. There will be an Open House Sunday, November 14 from 1-3 pm at the Morrison Christian Reformed Church at 300 W. South St. Morrison, Illinois. Please come and meet her family.

**Blood Drive:** First CRC will be hosting their semi-annual Blood Drive on Wednesday, November 17th from 3:30-6p.m. Masks and appointments are required. To schedule an appointment, please contact Amy Dykstra at 563-357-8555 or go online to [www.bloodcenter.org](http://www.bloodcenter.org) use group code #2371. Last date to donate elsewhere was 9/22/21. Thank you for saving lives!

**Annual Coat Giveaway** will be held on November 13 from 9am-1pm at First CRC.

### **Volunteers Needed for Live Nativity**

A live nativity scene is being organized as part of the annual Fulton Christmas Walk on Friday, December 3 from 5:00 – 7:30pm. Volunteers are needed to portray the characters of the holy nativity. Each volunteer will be asked to take part in the scene for 30 minutes. The location of the live nativity is the northeast lawn of the old Drives Bldg across the street from the de Immigrant windmill. Costumes, music, and background props will be provided. Volunteers may be adults or youth, individuals, families, or groups. Participants of all ages may have this wonderful opportunity to usher in the Christmas season sharing this true message with the members of our community and visitors. Come join us. All interested volunteers, please contact Jude Holesinger 563-249-6115 for details.

**Fulton Police Department** - We are having our first ever Toy Drive on Saturday, December 4, 2021 between 8am-4pm in the parking lot of the First Christian Reformed Church. Our goal is to fill at least one squad

car if not more. Please come join us in helping to give back to the community. We hope to see you all there!

**LIFESCAPE-Senior Friendly Caller Program for Volunteers**—Are you over the age of 54 and want to make a difference in the life of a senior in your community, without leaving the comfort of your home? Become a Volunteer and help combat social isolation and loneliness in seniors. Join the AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP Friendly Caller Program! Engage in a fun social conversation with a senior participant once a week. Your voice can enrich a senior's day and provide them a connection with their community. A simple 30 minute conversation can leave a lasting impact! If interested, contact Amy Ortiz, volunteer coordinator of Whiteside and Lee Counties at 815-490-1124 or email [aortiz@lifescapeservices.org](mailto:aortiz@lifescapeservices.org)

**LIFESCAPE-Senior Friendly Caller Program**—Are you dealing with loneliness and social isolation? Could you or someone you know benefit from a friendly call? Join the Senior Friendly Caller Program! It is a free service offered in Whiteside and Lee Counties to individuals 55 years and older to build connections within the community. Receive a weekly social call from a volunteer. Making time to connect with a Senior and share in conversation can be one of the most enriching, rewarding, fun and healthy things you can do! Interested in becoming a recipient of a Friendly Call? Contact Stacie Miller, RSVP Assistant of Whiteside and Lee Counties at 815-490-1121 or email [smiller@lifescapeservices.org](mailto:smiller@lifescapeservices.org).

## Weekly Calendar

Sunday, November 7	Worship Service Deacons' Meeting Youth Group	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, November 9	GEMS & Cadets at Bethel	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 10	Youth Group Soup Supper	4:30-7:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 13	Coat Giveaway	9am-1pm

	<b>Today</b>	<b>Next Sunday</b>
Recorder & Sound	Paul T	Joe V
Nursery Attendant	Lynell B	Sara B
Snack Provider	Sara B	Lori B
Server	Amy D	Lori B
Children's Message	Brenda A	Joan

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