

**Raymond Christian Reformed Church**  
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**Sunday Services:**

10:00 am (September through May)  
9:30 am (June through August)

Services available via YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJa2-MhthcVjt9ULuI275OA>

**Sunday School:**

9:00 am (September through May)

**Committee Meetings:** (September through May)

**Cadets:** 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month

**GEMS:** 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month

**Ladies Bible Study:** 1st Wednesday of each month

**Men's Bible Study:** "Planning is underway; information forthcoming."

**Combined Youth Group:** Jr. JAM: 2x a month on Sunday  
JAM: Every Wednesday

**COUNCIL**

**ELDERS**

Merle Sietsema (320-212-6424)  
Clyde Slagter (320-979-8148)  
Randy Bonnema (320-979-0850)  
Lanne Roelofs (320-212-9770)  
Scott Wubben (320-894-0938)  
Todd Post (320-212-1119)

**DEACONS**

Adam Olson (320-262-1102)  
George Parker (320-979-0049)  
Micah Groen (320-905-0462)  
Doug Asche (320-220-0450)  
Josh Fragodt (320-894-4145)

**Pastoral Intern**

Tony Krossman (320-212-3862)

We are alive in '25

**MORNING ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – 10:00 am**

**Pastoral Intern Tony Krossman**

Prelude

Welcome

Advent Reading

\*Call to Worship

\* *Creation Sings The Father's Song*

Reading of the Law

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Message

\* *Across the Lands* – LUYH 775

Scripture: **Genesis 1:26-27, 3:8-15, Romans 5:12-21**

Sermon: **Hope in the Garden, the Cross, and the New Kingdom.**

\* *Beneath the Cross* – LUYH 825

We Commune at the Lord's Table

Congregational Prayer

Offering

\*Benediction/Blessing

\* *I Extol You* – Celebration 248

Postlude

*\*Stand if able*

**Hope in the Garden of Eden.**

**Hope in the Cross.**

**Hope in the New Kingdom to Come.**

**This Week:**

**Mon.** Women's Bible Study 7 pm  
**Wed.** JAM at RCRC 5:30 pm  
Cadets Christmas Party at Raymond Gym 6:30 pm  
**Sat.** Baby Shower for Haley Yuen 1-3 pm

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**Next Sunday: December 14**

**9:00 am** – Sunday School  
**10:00 am** – Morning Worship

**Offerings:** General Fund

**12/14 Cookies:** Kathy Marcus, JoAnne Slagter, Deb Bonnema,  
& Rose Epema

***Ministry Servers:*** December 14<sup>th</sup>

**AM Accompanist:** Amanda Gerdes

**Power point:** Loudena Roelofs

**Sound:** Micah Groen

**Video:** Logan Roelofs

**Nursery:** Meg Feikema & Asher Yuen

**Library:** Cheryl Bonnema

**Ushers:** Cory Erickson & Adam Vogel

**\*Door Greeters:** Mike & Luanne Groen (E)  
Wayne & Karen Haukos (W)

**WE WORSHIP AND PRAISE OUR GOD**

Welcome to our Worship Service at Raymond Christian Reformed Church. *Please be mindful to those who are preparing their hearts for worship as you enter the sanctuary.*

Anyone desiring spiritual counseling or experiencing a family crisis, contact a visiting Elder (Merle S. and Randy B.) at any time.

**Offerings:** General Fund & Benevolence

***Ministry Servers:*** December 7<sup>th</sup>

**AM Accompanist:** Aimee TeBrake

**Power point:** Elsie Erickson

**Sound:** Josh Bestge

**Video:** Braxton Zimmer

**Nursery:** Mary Erickson & Annalynn Bestge

**Library:** Cheryl Bonnema

**Ushers:** Cory Erickson & Adam Vogel

**\*Door Greeters:** Elders (E)  
Elders (W)

## **WE CARE ABOUT OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

*(Reminder updating the list once a month)*

### **Prayers & Praises**

- Please be in prayer for:
  - *Clyde Slagter had knee surgery prayers for a good recovery.*
  - *Jacquelin Buma, granddaughter to Merle and Rose Epema. Has been diagnosed with stage 2 melanoma and is also expecting her first baby.*
  - *Ben Johnson who fell and broke a few ribs.*
  - *Garvin Marcus as he recovers from his surgery.*
  - *George Parker is having a muscle stimulator put in his back to help relieve the pain.*
- *Pray for our shut-ins, as well as others not mentioned in our church family who struggle with physical, mental, or spiritual needs.*
- *Congratulations to Jerry and Lynn Groen on the birth of their 10<sup>th</sup> great grandchild, Richie Dean Brown, who was born to Tim & Lillie Brown on Mon., Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>. Richie weighed 8 lbs. and 11 oz. He was welcomed home by his siblings Theo and Senora.*

### ***Raymond CRC Family Prayer List***

Darrin & Amanda Gerdes (Brayden, Mckenna, Gavin)

Bill Goeman

Caleb Groen

**Young Adults** information meeting will be held **TODAY** at 2 pm in the fellowship hall at RCRC. Open to anyone 18-30ish.

***Open House Baby Shower*** for Haley Yuen, will be held on Sat., Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 pm at Raymond CRC. Haley is registered on Amazon. If you are interested in helping with the baby shower, there is a sign up sheet on the narthex table.

During the month of January, we will be sponsoring Campus Ministry. Pantry items can be collected from now through the month of January. Over the next weeks, pantry donations can be placed in the designated totes, located by the church coat racks.

Raymond CRC's **Congregational Meeting** will be held on Tue., Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall.

**Council Voting:** Elders up for Election: Mike Bonnema, Jerry Groen, Tim Minter, and Gene Tensen. To vote for Elder: please elect a minimum of 2 – but may vote for up to 4. Deacons up for Election: Matt Beerman, Josh Bestge, Clark Feikema, and Nick Fragodt. To vote for Deacon, please elect 2 – but may vote for up to 4.

**New Membership Class** will start in the beginning of January. If you are interested, please talk to Tony.

CMCS Trap Team will be hosting a **Pulled Pork Fundraiser** on Mon., Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, to assist with expenses for the upcoming spring season. This event will be held at the Central Event Center during the Central/MACCRA Y Boys Basketball game. They will be serving from 5:30-7:30 pm Enjoy pulled pork sandwiches, chips, a sweet treat, and a beverage. Free will offering accepted. See you there!

**Christmas Carols and Cookies** – Join us on TONIGHT at 6 pm. for a festive service featuring Christmas carols at the First CRC in Prinsburg. Following the service, enjoy Christmas cookies, a hot chocolate bar, coffee and fellowship in the church basement. We look forward to celebrating the season together and rejoicing in song as we praise our King!

Renville Friends of the Arts Winter Play presents "It's a Wonderful Life." Show times are Fri., Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, Sat., Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm, and Sun., Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. Tickets: Adults \$20 and 18 and under \$10. 123 N Main Street Renville MN 56284 (former home of the Methodist Church).

Raymond Museum is hosting Christmas on Sun., Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 pm. Join us for a tour of the museum and see vintage holiday decorations, cider and treats. Bring the family! All are welcome!