"I will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you have established your faithfulness in heaven itself."
Psalm 89:2

January 18, 2026

Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

We Come to Worship

Opening Prayer

*Opening Song ~ CH 11 Come Thou Fount

*Call to Worship ~ from Psalm 34

Leader: I will extol the Lord at all times;
his praise will always be on my lips.
People: I will glory in the Lord;
Leader: let the afflicted hear and rejoice.
Glorify the Lord with me;
People: let us exalt his name together.

*Song of Praise ~ CH 343 Amazing Grace

*God's Greeting

*We Greet One Another

Psalm of Praise ~ From Psalm 34: 4-9, 15, 18-19, 22

Reader: I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame. This poor man called, and the Lord heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them. Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him. Fear the Lord, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing. The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are attentive to their cry . . . The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. The righteous person may have many troubles, but the Lord delivers him from them all . . . The Lord will rescue his servants; no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

Song ~ Jesus Strong and Kind

Profession of Faith

Message for the Children

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Prayer of Confession ~

Leader: Loving God, You have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, steadfast brothers and sisters in the faith who endured hardship and remained loyal to You. Yet we are humbled by the weight of our own sin. We admit that we get tripped up by many things. We have not laid aside every burden. At times, we have acted selfishly and allowed fear to take root and feel as if you have abandoned us. We confess that we have taken our eyes off Jesus. Forgive us, Lord, for growing weary and losing heart. Save us from our hopelessness and shrinking back from Your victorious path that leads to peace.

People: Cleanse our hearts from the sin that so easily entangles us. Renew in us the commitment to follow You closely. We thank You for Your promise of full restoration and for the joy that is always possible in Jesus. Amen.

Song of Reflection ~ Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Words of Response ~ from Lamentations 3:21-26

Leader: Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope: Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

People: I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him."

Leader: The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him; it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

Congregational Prayer

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

God's Word for Us

*Song ~ Afflicted Saint to Christ Draw Near

Scripture Reading ~ John 21:1-14

Message ~ A Fresh Start

Prayer

*Song ~ Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

We Depart to Serve

*God's Parting Blessing

*Closing Song ~ My Friends May You Grow in Grace

RUDYARD CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
THE SUNDAY BULLETIN – January 18, 2026

Nursery is provided in the Educational Building for children up to age three.
Attendants today: Cherie Rice, Leah Beelen, Katie English, and Emmett Rogers
Next week: Alison Cheney, Wanda Mitchell, MJ Beelen, and Elise Rice

Junior Worship is provided in the Educational Building for 3, 4, and 5 year olds not yet in school. They will be dismissed before the morning sermon.
Helpers today: Marilyn Hoolsema, Ashlyn Mitchell, and Asher Lubben
Next week: Eve Cheney, Tristian Hoolsema, and Halle Rogers

Sunday School and Catechism will meet today at 10:45 am.

Offerings today: **A.M. – General Fund**
Next week: **A.M. – General Fund**

2026 Amount Budgeted Weekly for General Fund: $4480; Building Fund: $1154.
January 11 Offerings:
General Fund: $5546.14; **Building Fund:** $365.

THIS WEEK – January 18 - 24

TODAY:
- Today we celebrate the Profession of Faith of Jenelle Hoolsema.
- **Happy Birthday** to Jeff Case!

MONDAY:
- Crafting Day in the Fellowship Hall starting at 10:00. Bring your own lunch. All are welcome.

TUESDAY:
- **Bible Study** will meet at 6:30 pm. We will be studying the book of Daniel. All are welcome!
- **Youth Group** will meet at 7:00 pm**.**

WEDNESDAY:
- **Women's Prayer Group** will meet in the Council Room at 10:00 am.
- **Women's Bible Study** will meet at 11:00 in the fellowship room. We are on Chapter 2.
- **GEMS** (Grades 1-8) will meet at the church from 6:30 – 8:00 pm.
- **Cadets** (Grades 1-8) will meet at the church from 6:30 – 8:00 pm.

THURSDAY:

- **Council** will meet at 6:30 pm.

FAMILY NEWS

Have you been heard? Our congregation has a once-in-five-year opportunity to participate in the 2026 CRC denominational survey. This survey helps denominational leadership understand the concerns and needs of local congregations like ours. It is crucial that as many people from our congregation as possible participate. Please visit crcna.org/survey/1277 to answer the survey questions by **March 31**.

It's time to update the church directory. Please check your information and update with any changes. Thanks.

Advance News:
There will be a VBS planning meeting on Monday, January 26, at 6:30 pm.

Please join our prayer team in the prayer room at the front of church every Sunday from 9:00 – 9:20 am as we pray for our church, our Council, and our church family.