

**Seeking God and others
By Loving
Serving
And Learning together**



**Central Park Church
June 7, 2026**

Pastor Marc Nelesen will be preaching on Matthew 9:1-26 "Mercy not Sacrifice" Communion will be served. Graduates will be Recognized.

Order of Worship

We Gather

Prelude – Jennifer Kramer
Ringing of the Bells
Welcome
Call to worship
"Holy, Holy, Holy"
Graduation Recognition

We Receive

Invitation and announcements
Prayer of Thanksgiving concluded with the Lord's Prayer
Jesus' words at the Table
Communion
"Behold the Lamb"
Mutual Greeting
Children's Message
Inviting kids to CPKids
Offering – passing of the plate
Presentation of Offering *"Doxology"*
"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

We Hear God's Word

Prayer for illumination
Scripture: Matthew 9:1-26
Page 847 in Pew Bible
Sermon: "Mercy not Sacrifice"
Prayer

We are Sent

Blessing
"My Friends May You Grow in Grace"

(hearing loop available)

A Community Seeking God & Others



To send out an email **For Prayer and Care** contact Jessica Stam:
at 616-820-9329 jessica@centralparkchurch.org

- **Rosemarie Bos** is under Hospice care at Addington Place Lakeside Vista.
- **John Maynard's** surgery went well, and the Dr. was successful in removing the blockage. We are grateful to God for His healing hand and for hearing the prayers of His people, you, our church family.



Congratulations to Nicholas Kunkel and Sophia (Poel) Kunkel who were married on Saturday June 6. The flower arrangement in the front of the Sanctuary is in honor of them and their union.

A group meets every Sunday morning from 9:25-9:45 for prayer in the Overlook Room. You are welcome to join to pray or to be prayed for. In addition, the second Sunday of every month, prayer team members are available after the morning service at the front of the sanctuary and would be glad to pray with or for you there, or if you prefer, in a more private setting.

By Loving & Serving

Worship Online- To catch the livestream or watch the service later, click on the link on our website homepage and go to the Central Park Church YouTube Channel.

Stay for a bit following worship and enjoy coffee and cake to celebrate with our Graduates. Coffee is also available before and during the worship service. Please use one of the covered cups. Mary Foster and Gladys Mulder are our Hospitality leaders today. Next week (June 14) will be Saturday Women's Bible Study. Kris O'Donnell and Jeanne Westrate are our Greeters this morning before and after worship. Next week (June 14) will be Dan & Jen Streur.

A nursery is available on the lower level for children and infants to 3 years old. Our helpers today are Robin and Acacia Wright. Next week (June 14) will be Jeanne Westrate.

St. Willibrord will be renting the gym for Sunday morning worship through June. Please do not use entrance D on Sunday mornings so we don't interrupt their service. The downstairs will be closed for use, except the nursery.

The Consistory is pleased to announce that Jennifer Kramer has signed a 3-year contract with Central Park Reformed Church to become our Director of Worship and Faith Formation. This 30 hour per week position builds on her role as Director of Worship and Music as we seek to expand educational programming and faith formation for all ages, particularly for younger and middle-aged households and their children.

Passing the offering plate during the worship service will begin today, June 7.

Registration is now available for VBS 2026 online or paper copies in the information center. We need volunteers for Food Servers and Saturday June 13th set up at 9:00am! Sign-up sheets are available in the Gathering Place.

On Monday, June 8, the church widows will meet at Russ' south for supper at 4:45pm. Contact Pat Doolittle if you have any questions.

Keeping our Micro Pantry well stocked

Here's what we need this week-

- Jello cups, pudding cups and fruit cups
- fruit snacks
- Peanut Butter crackers and Cheese crackers
- Complete Meals
- Spaghetti and Sauce
- Pancake mix and Syrup
- Hand sanitizer, Hand and Dish Soap

Kids are out of school for the summer, let's stock the pantry with easy items for them to make during the day. We have a large amount of soup or vegetables we need to use up before we stock any more. Help us support our community by donating items to keep the pantry full. Keeping our Micro Pantry stocked this week is Ellen Hossink.

We need cookies for Sunday morning fellowship. If you would like to donate some, please bring them in Sunday morning, during office hours, or contact Jessica in the office. Thank you!

An update is available from our missionaries Blaine and Kathy Newhouse on the information table or next to the bulletins.

And Learning Together

Saturday Women's Bible Study meets every other week at 10:30am.

Next Sunday Jennifer Kramer will be offering pulpit supply preaching on Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7 "Faithful Formation"

This Week at Central Park Church:

Monday June 8

- Ladies Dinner at Russ' – 4:45pm

Tuesday June 9

- Cardio Café – 9:00am
- Consistory meeting – 6:00pm

Thursday June 11

- Cardio Café – 9:00am
- Open Volleyball – 7:00pm

Saturday June 13

- Women's Bible Study – 10:30am

Offering:	Needed/ week	5/31/26	YTD NEED	YTD GIVEN
General Fund	\$6,056	\$18,965	\$122,123	\$120,855
Mission Fund	\$547	\$120	\$11,487	\$8,315

Two ways to give from your smart phone.

- Text the keyword GiveCPC to 616-201-3550
- Scan our Giving QR Code



Contributions can be made online through the church website, by mail, dropped off during office hours or placed in the baskets passed during service.

Thank you for your continued financial support of the ministry of Central Park Church.

Central Park Consistory

Pastor – Rev. Marc Nelesen, PhD

Elders –Kris O'Donnell, Dianne Slager, Kathy TenBrink, Jen Werley, Lynn VanHekken, Judy Prince

Deacons – Doug Kooiker, Kim Nevenzal, Jennifer Streur, Jodi Vosburg, Kyle Wright, Dave VanHekken



Graduation Sunday 2026

Congratulations!

Jennifer Kramer

Jennifer graduated from Western Theological Seminary with a Master's of Divinity degree. She is excited to be staying at Central Park and expanding her role in both worship and faith formation. She would love prayers as she continues the ordination process and prepares for her ordination exams which will likely be in the fall.



Samuel Pastoor

Samuel graduated from Hope College with a degree in Business. He plans on staying as the youth group leader at Central Park Church, and to continue to grow the small company he works for. Prayers for discernment on where he is being called in life post grad.



Riley Hart

Riley graduated from Holland Christian High School with Honors and will be attending Hope College in the fall. He plans to study Communications and Creative Writing and he plans to run on the Track team.



Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Congratulations
Graduates!