



“Winning People for Christ and Equipping Them to Serve.”

## **AUGUST 4, 2024**

A hearty welcome to all who have come to worship. We gather in gratitude before our loving Creator and Sustainer. Let us approach God with purity of heart and reach out to each other with care and joy.

### **-ORDER OF SERVICE-**

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

**Worship Songs**

*O Church Arise*

*We Believe*

*Word Of God Speak*

**Moment for Missions**

Emily DeRuiter - CRU

**Dismiss Kids**

**Celebrating God's Faithfulness**

**Prayer**

**Sermon**

Pastor Dave McMahan

"The Purpose of the Pulpit"

Nehemiah 8:1-6

**Prayer**

**Closing Song**

*I Speak Jesus*

**Blessing**

**Postlude**

Our Connections Pastor would love to hear from you!

Pastor Kathy Vana: [kathy@rehoboth.church](mailto:kathy@rehoboth.church)

## **-SCHEDULE-**

### **TODAY**

9 AM, Morning Prayer  
9:05 AM, Hymn Sing  
9:30 AM, Worship Service  
    Speaker: Pastor Dave McMahon  
10:50 AM, Adult Sunday School

### **THIS WEEK**

#### **Tuesday, August 6**

7 PM, Worship Practice

#### **Wednesday, August 7**

Jessica's Birthday

11:30 AM Young at Heart Pic-Nic

#### **Thursday, August 1**

4:30 PM, Food Distribution

4:30 PM, Staff Meeting

### **NEXT WEEK**

#### **Sunday, August 11**

9 AM, Morning Prayer

9:30 AM, Worship Service, Building Fund

    Speaker: Mike Wissink from  
    Ferris State Ministries

10:50 AM, Adult Sunday School

4 PM, House of Prayer at McBain Public  
    School

#### **Tuesday, August 13**

7 PM, Worship Practice

7 PM, Consistory Meeting

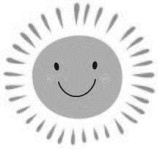
#### **Thursday, August 15**

4 PM – 6 PM, Food Distribution Hot Dog  
    Roast!

4:30 PM, Food Distribution

**Out:** Pastor Kathy, August 1 - 8

Sarah, August 9 - 18



**SUMMER Kids Church Dismissals:** Kids Church classes, Pre-K – 5<sup>th</sup> grade, will be dismissed when service is over along with nursery and toddler classes, now through Labor Day weekend. Thank you!!

**Kids Check-In:** Don't forget to check-in your child(ren) upon arriving at church at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings! Here children will be registered, if they aren't already, and given name tags. Our name tags help the kids church volunteers learn names, they will include your phone number(s) to contact you during service if needed, and will even include any allergies your child(ren) may have.

**Nursing Mothers:** Downstairs in the toddler room there is a private nursing room for you to nurse. There is a TV installed in the nursing room so that you can watch and enjoy service in real time in the comfort of the private room. You are most welcome to use it whenever the need arises.

**Kids Church Busy Bags:** Parents, do you have little ones that just aren't ready to venture to kids church and leave you yet? Worried they won't be entertained during service? We have the answer! "Busy Bags" are now available at the check-in desk near the welcome center. Please help yourself and take home.

Fall Festival!

Sunday, September 15

save  
the Date 

## -ANNOUNCEMENTS-

**Seeking Kids Hope Mentors:** Do you have one extra hour a week that you could spend pouring into the life of one student at McBain Public Elementary School being a mentor! We are looking to add mentors to our Kids Hope USA mentoring program for the 24/25 school year. If this is something that you would be interested in please reach out to the Kids Hope Director Jessica Whetstone (231) 920-8082. *\*Please see more information by grabbing a handout at the welcome center ☺*



**Calling All Gardeners!** If you have any excess produce growing in your garden this year consider donating it to our food distribution here at church ☺ Please have donations dropped off here at church any Thursday by 2 PM. Thank you!!

**Mission Speaker:** **TODAY** Emily DeRuiter, one of our missionaries, will be with us to give an update on what she has been doing since last fall!

**Seek the Lord Prayer Challenge:** Following the service today, members from the Prayer Team will be handing out materials for the next phase of our Seek the Lord prayer challenge. We do not need to look far to see that Satan has an agenda to destroy our children; fortunately, we do not need to fear, and we do not lose hope, because the Lord has not left us powerless. Again, we put on the full armor of God so that we can take a stand against the enemy's schemes. Beginning **TODAY**; we will spend the next 21 days joining together in battle on our knees as we seek God for the next generation, interceding for students and staff in the schools across this nation. Together, through prayer, we can release God's power and reclaim a generation!

**August Young at Heart:** Join us for a pic-nic on **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup>** at 11:30 AM at Dave & JoAnn Gilde's home! Sloppy Joe's will be provided with table service and beverages. Please bring a dish to pass and a lawn chair. Also, think of a memory to share of a summer activity either at church or with your family. Sign-up at the welcome center.

**House of Prayer:** On **SUNDAY, AUGUST 11<sup>TH</sup>** at 4 PM at McBain Public School. Whether you are 8 years old or eighty, you are invited, and encouraged, to join with fellow believers on the front lawn of McBain Public School in order to praise and thank God for His abundant blessings and to interceded for the students and staff for the upcoming school year. For those who are interested, we will be praying at NMC

following the time of prayer at McBain Public. Please bring a lawn chair, or a blanket, and plan to join together in reclaiming a generation for God's glory! In case of inclement weather, we will meet at Rehoboth Reformed Church.

**Hot Dog Roast:** On **THURSDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>** the missions team will be hosting a back to school hot dog roast from 4 PM to 6 PM for our food distribution guests AND you are all invited! We need your help to make this event a success! **We're looking for volunteers to help run the event and donations of salads, and desserts. Additionally, we're collecting school supplies, gently used backpacks, and gently used shoes.** Back to school can be an expensive time for many families, but we can help ease that burden. Please sign-up at the welcome center or to drop off your donations in the basket by Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>.



**Healing Summit!** Join us on **FRIDAY, AUGUST 30<sup>TH</sup>** here at Rehoboth from 7 PM – 9:30 PM for a streamed service with Apostle Tim Sheets, Dutch Sheets, Clay Nash, Greg Hood, Pat McManus, Ken Malone and Oasis Worship. To learn more visit [www.oasiswired.org](http://www.oasiswired.org) or contact Amy Smallegan at [smallegan@gmail.com](mailto:smallegan@gmail.com).

**Registration is now open for Community Hope's "A Beautiful & Abundant Life"**

**Women's Retreat**, being held at Timber Wolf Lake Camp on **SEPTEMBER 20 - 22**. Women will enjoy beautiful surroundings, inspirational learning and worship sessions, and time for conversation and friendship with others. Keynote Speaker Kelsey Jenney and Worship Leader Amy Swanson will lead general sessions. Women can choose 2 breakout sessions to participate in of 11 offered and see Pastor Kathy there leading breakout sessions! Go to [communityhopemc.org/womens-retreat](http://communityhopemc.org/womens-retreat) to register OR scan the QR code.



\*Every woman registering for this retreat from Rehoboth will receive \$20 back from church the day of the retreat ☺ If you plan on registering please also sign-up at the welcome center! See you there!!

## **-COMMUNITY-**

**ENCOUNTER Night of Worship - Summer Series:** When: **TUESDAY, AUGUST 6<sup>TH</sup>** from 7 PM - 8:30 PM, Where: Stahl Event Barn: 9421 S Lucas Road, McBain, MI 49657. Come join a mix of worship leaders from Cadillac and McBain for a respite from the craziness of summer and some time to rest in the presence of our God through worship! As part of our final night this summer we're going to be sharing what God is doing in the local Cadillac Young Life club and raising funds for their upcoming school year. Chairs provided! Cookies and fellowship after worship!

**Project Canefire staff, former volunteers and new potential volunteers:** Project Canefire is having a reunion picnic on **TUESDAY, AUGUST 27<sup>TH</sup>** at 5:30 PM (meal at 6 PM) at Keith Dicks barn at 2431 Workman Rd. A picnic meal will be provided so come and fellowship with the board and other volunteers and get information about the upcoming Project Canefire mission trip for 2025. Hope to see you there! Please contact Betsy Diemer at [betsydiemer@gmail.com](mailto:betsydiemer@gmail.com) for more information and an rsvp. Thanks!

**Grip, Grit, and the Gospel!** Men and women, join us **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>** at Friendship CRC in Byron Center for the Bible League conference Grit, Grip and the Gospel Inspiring audiences of all ages and stages, keynote speakers Craig and Molly Sanborn share their passion and biblical insight. Their love for laughter, each other, and Jesus is contagious. Elisabeth Sooy and husband Mark will lead us in worship, and Santosh Chandran will share about Asia-Pacific ministry. Info and registration at [bibleleague.org/tickets/](http://bibleleague.org/tickets/). Conference with lunch/\$40 and only available through August 7<sup>th</sup>. Without lunch/\$27 (no refunds after August 31).

## **-WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS-**

*Praise God* for the community where He has placed you to live. *Thank God* for our schools and for those he has called, and equipped, to be administrators, teachers, para-pros, bus drivers, counselors, board members, and coaches. Confess any apathy, complacency or lack of prayer for God's transforming power to be at work in our schools. *Ask God* to burden your heart to pray for the next generation and to teach you to pray according His will for them. *Pray that* God will raise up intercessors to contend in prayer for students, teachers, administrators, and support staff. *Ask God* for a moral and spiritual revival to sweep through schools. Pray that the name of Jesus will be exalted and the Father glorified in schools across this nation.

## **-KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS-**

Keep in your prayers the members of our congregation who are in nursing or health care facilities, Dorothy Bazuin at Maple Ridge Living Center in Cadillac and Jeanette Derrick, Kay Hofstra & Betty Meyering at Curry House.

Be in prayer for the following person(s), as they undergo treatment and receive on going care for cancer: Don Schepers

## **-PRAYER CHAIN CALLS & UPDATES-**

*"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds."* ~ *Psalms 147:3*

**UPDATE 7/18: Phyllis VanderVlucht** is still at Samaritas but will be going home on 7/22. **UPDATE 7/23:** Phyllis went home from Samaritas on 7/22 and fell shortly after she got home. She was taken by ambulance to the hospital in Cadillac. She is currently awaiting surgery on a dislocated ankle. She will most likely be going back to Samaritas after her recovery. Please be in prayer for the entire VanderVlucht family as it's been a difficult time for Phyllis this summer with multiple surgeries and setbacks. **UPDATE 7/30:** Phyllis had her surgery on 7/25 and went back to Samaritas on 7/30. She is likely to stay there for 6 weeks for recovery.

**UPDATE 7/29: Peggy Rehkopf** will not have an aortic valve surgery on 8/9, instead she will undergo a heart catheterization in preparation for the heart valve surgery. Please continue to pray for Peggy and her family as she prepares for the procedure.



## **FOOD DISTRIBUTION** *storage*

The Consistory recently approved turning our Lead Pastor's office into storage space for our Food Distribution ministry on a temporary basis. Many weeks the team giving out food is scrambling for extra bags and currently their storage space is on the other side of the church basement next to the downstairs kitchen. Rather than leave this office space empty we would like to see it used to help us fulfill purpose and mission. This will aid us in the efficiency of helping our volunteers with the Food Distribution ministry.