



Dr. Pastor Denise Kingdom Grier

Today in Worship

Sermon: "Know Your Weapon"
Scripture: Ephesians 6: 10-17

Music and Worship: CJ Kingdom Grier

First Time Guests

We would like to get to know you.
 There are communication sheets in the pews,
 please fill one out and place it in the offering plate.



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Serving This Week

Liturgist: Dennis **Projection:** Jonah/Aiden **Audio:** Dan
Video: Oscar **Deacon/Counter:** Beauford & Celeste
Opener: Gordon **Collectors:** Adam & Viola **Greeter:** Emmett
Coffee: Lynette **Nursery:** Laura B, Angelina & Vanika
Children's Church: PreK, PJ Maske - **Elem:** Heidi White

Serving Next Week

Liturgist: Winfred **Projection:** Jane **Audio:** Neil
Video: Oscar **Deacon/Counter:** Casey & _____
Opener: Laura **Collectors:** Joan & John **Greeter:** George
Coffee: Jayne **Nursery:** Laura VG, Sophia & David B
Children's Church: PreK, Arda Rooks - **Elem:** Anna-Lisa Cox

Connecting

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Giving - Month of January 2019

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| Annual Budget (2018/19) | \$193,000.00 |
| Year to Date | \$89,540.18 |
| January Goal: | \$12,600.00 |
| Last Week's Offering: | \$1,725.58 |
| January Total: | \$1,725.58 |
| Under Monthly Goal | -\$10,874.42 |



January 13, 2019

"Know Your Weapon"

Ephesians 6: 10-17



Rev. Dr. Denise Kingdom Grier

Celebrating over 100 years of service
 to the Core City. Union Church of
 The Reformed Church in America and
 The Christian Reformed Church in America.

Order of Worship

Call to Worship

Opening Song: "Holy Spirit"

Opening Litany

Song of Response: "Forever"

We Reflect-(New Life- Births^ and Baptisms*)

Talia Blystra^^, Hannah Holehan^^, Chloe Williams, Seth Williams

Litany of New Life

Song of Response: "Our Legacy"

Lighting of the Candle & Calling of the Names

We Recall-(Redeemed Life-Professions of Faith, Adult Baptisms, New Members)

Dawn Williams, Naomi & Oscar Mares, Isaac Ramirez, Eva & Javier Aviles, Heather & Sam Fox, Debra & Matthew Lapenga & Family, Paul Bowles

Song of Preparation: "Take My Life"- Holiness

Litany of Redeemed Life

Lighting of the Candle & Calling of the Names

Children's Blessing

Announcements

Offering & Doxology

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Ephesians 6: 10-17

Message: "Know Your Weapon"

Litany of Eternal Life

Lighting of the Candle, Calling of the Names & Tolling of the Bell

Jean Sytsma, Marian Kortan, Jerrold Cleveland, Reka Knoll

Closing Song: "For All The Saints"

Benediction

Please Pray For

Praying for healing for R.L. & Will Lowry.

Jo Jo is currently in St. Marys

For people who are struggling with loss, depression, & loneliness

Pray for God's Spirit to lead us each step of this new year Marriages

Announcements

Congrats to Robert & Victoria Chapman on their recent wedding

Children's Ministry Update: Are you cleaning out your old toys/games/puzzles/art supplies/ etc? Are they still in good shape? Would you consider donating them to the MAM Children's Ministry? We are looking to update & organize the toys & art supplies in the Sunday School classrooms. If you have donations, please make sure they are complete sets & clean. You can drop off any items on the table outside the Sunday School classrooms.

Looking to find new ways to get involved this New Year? **We are always in need of helpers** in the 2nd - 5th grade Sunday School classroom. You would serve only once a month & help support the teacher with the story, snack & activity. If you're interested, contact Amanda Bohle at amanda.bohle@gmail.com or 586-202-9445

King Day of Service - January 21st we will be honoring MLK, we are joining forces with Willie Watt @ Escape Ministries to provide duffel bags for the houseless, filling them with essential everyday needs. If you have any duffel bags, hand sanitizers & blankets, please bring them by next Sunday.

HOPE College MLK DAY: The annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Civil Rights Lecture at Hope College will feature the Dr. Joy DeGruy, a nationally and internationally renowned researcher, educator, author and presenter, on Monday, January 21, 2019, at 2 p.m. in Dimnent Memorial Chapel. The keynote's theme is; "We Have Been Here Before: Challenges and Courageous Alternatives". Admission is free. Let's Go together and have a time of discussion at a local restaurant afterward.

Unmarried Bible Study - Thursday's at MAM from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. All Unmarried are invited to join in on a great discussion & bible study. Winfred Burns will be leading this weekly bible study. Up next reading from the book; "Relationships A Mess Worth Making", so anyone who thought about joining in, this would be a great time! On January 10th we will discuss chapters 1 & 2.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH BOOK STUDY: James Cone's Black Theology and Black Power will be the text for all who wish to join the study for 6 weeks beginning in mid-February. The MAMily's Rev. Dr. Matt Jantzen who is also Interim Director of Emmaus Scholars at Hope College will host the discussion. Look for more info. The publisher is offering a 30% discount on books for our study.

Fellowship Throughout the Week

Monday: Tabernacle Choir rehearsal 7-9pm

Tuesday: 6:00 pm - Prayer Meeting

Wednesday: 6:00 pm - Women's Bible Study

Thursday: 6:30 pm - Unmarried Bible Study @ MAM

Sundays: 9:00 Men's Bible Study in the prayer room

9:00 Bible Study in the blue room

9:45 am - Coffee Fellowship

10:30 - Service

Children's Church 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays of the month

4th Sunday PreK & 1st grade only

1st Sunday Communion & MAMily meal after the service

January Birthday Blessings

James Wroten (1/17)

Please check your mailbox!

If we omitted your birthday, email or call the office and we will add you to our list

Mission Statement

... Centered in Christ:

"He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church..." [Colossians 1:17,18]

... Called to the Core City:

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon [us], because the Lord has anointed [us]; he has sent [us] to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken hearted.. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations." [Isaiah 61:1,4]

... Committed to becoming a multicultural community, reconciled to one another through Christ:

"For he [Christ] is our peace; in his flesh he has broken down the dividing wall, that is the hostility between us... and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it." [Ephesians 2:13-16]