



**Dr. Pastor Denise  
Kingdom Grier**

### Today in Worship

**Sermon:  
Scripture:**

**Music and Worship:** CJ

### \*\*\*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:** David **Projection:** Jonah/Aiden **Audio:**  
**Video:** Oscar **Deacon/Counter:** Beauford & Gordon  
**Opener:** Jeremy **Usher/Greeter:** Aviles & Dozeman  
**Coffee:** Emily **Nursery:** Rooks & Elisa  
**Children's Church:** PJ Maske **Elem:** Heidi W

### Serving Next Week

**Liturgist:** Dennis **Projection:** Grayson **Audio:** Neil  
**Video:** Oscar **Deacon/Counter:** Gordon & Casey  
**Opener:** Gordon **Usher/Greeter:** Celeste & Naomi  
**Coffee:** Arika **Nursery:** Donna & Laura B  
**Children's Church:** Arda R **Elem:** Anna-Lisa Cox

### Connecting

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### Giving - Month of May 2019

<b>Annual Budget (2018/19)</b>	\$193,000.00
<b>Year to Date</b>	\$135,169.78
<b>May1 Goal:</b>	\$14,848.00
<b>Last Week's Offering:</b>	\$3,856.88
<b>May Total:</b>	\$3,856.88
<b>Under Monthly Goal</b>	-\$10,991.12



May 12, 2019

## Celebrating Mother's Day & Baptism



**Guest Preacher Lisa Sharon Harper**

Celebrating over 105 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:** "Total Praise"

**Prayer of Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Songs of Praise & Worship:** "God Great God", "This is the Day"

**Mutual Greeting**

**Song of Preparation:** "Come to the Water"

**Service of Baptism**

**Children's Blessing**

**Announcements**

**Congregational Prayer**

**Offering:** "All in His Hands"

**Doxology**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture:**

**Message:**

**Benediction**

## This Mother's Day Pray For

People mourning the loss of a mother

Relationships between mothers & children

Women grieving motherhood

Gratitude for loving mothers

## Announcements

**Welcome to Lisa Sharon Harper** activist and author of The Very Good Gospel back to MAM as our preacher this morning

**A BIG Welcome** to Emily Scatterday Holehan as the new Director of Ministries!

**Mark Your Calendar** - Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday June 9th, time TBD, we will be voting on Elder/Deacon positions & budget

**Future Leaders for Justice** (Middle & high school students)  
**Want your kids to be woke & stay woke?** Look for information in the narthex

**Shandra & Donald** invite the MAMily to witness their nuptials on Saturday, May 25th here at MAM @ 3:30 pm

**Youth Group:**  
Sunday May 26 @ 10:45 (during Service) Invite your friends!

**THURSDAY'S AT MAM**, come join us for dinner @ 6:00, Feel free to break off to one of these sessions at 6:30

\*Time of Fellowship

\*Unmarried Bible Study

**\*Coming soon**, Thursday night Marriage Enrichment study

**Can you sew?** Cut? Stuff? Do you want to help create something for orphan & vulnerable children in South Africa? Contact the office to learn more.

**Congratulations to:**

**High School:** Sam Lowry, Black River  
Max Robrahn, Zeeland

**College:** Lydia Berkey, Hope College

**Seminary:** Mariana Thomas, Princeton Seminary  
Emmett Brown, Western Theological Seminary  
Laurel Pals, Western Theological Seminary

**You are invited** to Sam Lowry's graduation open house on Saturday, June 1st from 1 - 4pm at Scrapyrd Climbing Collective, more information in the narthex.

## 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:** 6:00 MAMily Meal

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

## May Birthday Blessings

Jim Rooks, (5/15) & Matt Lappenga (5/17)

*\*\*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]