



**Dr. Pastor Denise Kingdom Grier**

### Today in Worship

**Sermon:** "A Mind to Work"  
**Scripture:** Nehemiah 4

**Music and Worship:**

#### \*\*\*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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Sermon Videos available:  
[www.mapleave.org](http://www.mapleave.org)

### Serving This Week

**Liturgist:** Emily **Projection:** Owen **Audio:** Jarvis  
**Video:** Oscar **Deacon/Counter:** Casey & Gordon  
**Opener:** Laura **Usher/Greeter** Annette & Jeff  
**Coffee:** Brian & Arlene **Nursery:** Brice Family & Maryann  
**Children's Church:** John J **Elem:** Sara K

### Serving Next Week

**Liturgist:** Keith **Projection:** Jonah/Aiden **Audio:** Neil  
**Video:** Oscar **Deacon/Counter:** Beauford & Casey  
**Opener:** Gordon **Usher/Greeter** R Moore & J Dozeman  
**Coffee:** Celeste **Nursery:** Hagemeyer's & Angelina  
**Children's Church:** PJ Maske **Elem:** Heidi W.

### Connecting

#### Elders

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### Giving - Month of May 2019

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Annual Budget (2018/19)</b> | \$193,000.00 |
| <b>Year to Date</b>            | \$142,447.55 |
| <b>May Goal:</b>               | \$14,848.00  |
| <b>Last Week's Offering:</b>   | \$2,346.77   |
| <b>May Total:</b>              | \$11,134.65  |
| <b>Under Monthly Goal</b>      | -\$3,713.35  |



June 2, 2019

*"A Mind to Work"*

*Nehemiah 4*



**Rev. Dr. Denise Kingdom Grier**

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

**Opening Song:** "God is here"

**Call to Worship**

**Mutual Greeting**

**Songs of Praise:** "In Christ Alone", "Cornerstone"

**Children's Blessing**

**Celebration of Graduates & Education**

**Congregational Prayer**

**Offering:** "For Your Glory"

**Doxology:** "Gloria Patri" Digerness

**Song of Illumination:** "One Word"

**Scripture:** Nehemiah 4

**Message:** "A Mind to Work"

**Prayer of Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Service of Communion:** "The Blood will Never

Lose its Power", "I Know it was the Blood"

**Benediction**

## Pray For

Recent Graduates

A safe summer for kids

A Children's Ministry Coordinator for MAM

## Announcements

### Youth

**\*\*TODAY**, celebrating Grads & Ministers. Stay for an ice cream social after the service.

**\*\*Future Leaders for Justice** - Let your Middle & high school students learn more about Justice, June 18-20 (free)

**\*\*MAC REC** begins June 10th, volunteers are needed! Orientation will be Tuesday June 4th, 6:30 & 7:30 (pick one)

**Cross Prayer** - Will be Saturday, June 8th from 8 am - 1 pm. Come as you are lead (see insert)

**Congregational Meeting** will be held on Sunday June 9th, immediately following the service.

\*Vote on the ballot & proposed budget (Note: it has been revised per your recommendations) get the revised copy in the narthex.

\*Nominations for **Deacon:** Anna Castro & Deb Lappenga,  
**Elder:** Naomi Mares & AJ Westendorp.

### MAMily News:

\***Jo Jo** was released from Holland Hospital, and is residing at Providence (Skilled Rehab) in Zeeland, his address is: 285 N State St., room 512.

\***Knoester's are moving** to Grand Rapids: We are sad. There will be a party at the Blystra's June 9th, following the congregational meeting to honor them. Theme is nacho/taco bar, and if you want to sign up to bring a specific food item, please contact Laura Blystra for what you can bring. Otherwise, please bring a salad, dessert, or a drink to share. In case of rain, it will be held at the church.

**THURSDAY'S AT MAM**, come join us for dinner @ 6:00

**Next Sunday Pentecost!** A special offering will be raised for the Embracing Mission. More next Sunday

**Window painting** - we are looking for volunteers to help paint the outside window frames. We will have a lift here starting Monday June 17th, and hope to wrap up the job by the 24th. If you have a few hours to help out, there is a sign up sheet 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 Fellowship & Learn

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

## June Birthday Blessings

Rita Matthews (6/2)

*\*\*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]