

# San Jose Christian Reformed Church

**“God’s love to us, God’s love through us...”**

*May the Lord bless us all as we worship Him here this morning.*

*Pastor David Vander Meulen will be preaching for us today,*

*We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors!*

**We Worship a Wondrous God!**

**Sunday: January 14, 2007**

**Lectionary Day: Miracle at Cana**

## *We Raise Up Our Praise*

Prelude: Our preparation for worship.

Welcome / Greetings: Elder Harvey V.

Praise Songs and Readings:

**“Joyful, Joyful”**

*Responsive Reading based on Psalm 36:5-9*

Reader: O God, your constant love reaches to the heavens,  
your faithfulness extends to the skies.

**People: Your righteousness towers like the mountains,  
your justice is deeper than the sea.**

Reader: All find protection under the shadow of your wings.  
We feast on the abundance you provide.

**People: You are the source of all life,  
and in your light, we see light.**

**“Creation Sings”**

*Responsive Reading based on Psalms 22, 97 and 145*

Reader: In the midst of the congregation I will praise you.  
Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous,  
and give thanks to God’s holy name!

**People: I will extol you, my God and King,  
and bless your name forever and ever.  
Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;  
God’s greatness is unsearchable.**

**“Great is the Lord”**

## *We Open Our Hearts to God*

Congregational Prayer: Elder Harvey V.

Children ages 3 to grade 6 leave us for “Kid’s Life”

Prayer Song: **“Your Mercy Flows”**

Deacon’s Prayer

Offering: Church Ministry Fund

Special Offering: Ministry Shares

## *We Open Our Minds to God’s Word*

Scripture Reading: John 2:1-11

Message: **“Water to Wine: A Revelation of Glory”**

Prayer

## *Our Response of Commitment to God*

Song: **“Jesus Shall Reign”**

Blessing

Closing Song **“We Will Glorify”**

*If you are a first time visitor today, please complete a “Communication Card”  
and stop by the welcome table in the back of the sanctuary for a gift and  
information packet. Please join us for “Coffee Time” at 10:40.*

*Classes for children and youth at 11:00 am.*

## **Next Sunday at SJCRC...**

**January 21, 9:30 am:** Worship Service: Pastor Gil Suh will be preaching;  
Special Offering: Community Pregnancy Center. Please join us for “Coffee  
Time” after the morning service. Classes for children and youth at 11:00 am.

## **CRC Denominational News**

**World Missions – Summer Missions Program:** Go for a summer... be changed forever. Visit [www.crwmm.org/smp](http://www.crwmm.org/smp) for details on Christian Reformed World Missions' Summer Mission Program 2007. If you're a college student or young adult, you could join a team that will be participating in cross-cultural ministry alongside a CRWM missionary in China, Eastern Europe, Japan, Mali, or Mexico. Applications are due Feb. 2. Contact Lorraine Woodward at [woodwarl@crcna.org](mailto:woodwarl@crcna.org) for more info.

**Measuring Up:** Who are you living for? Are you being run ragged trying to meet everyone's expectations? How can you get off the treadmill of other people's opinions? Learn more in the January 21st episode of the Back to God Hour. Go to [www.BacktoGod.net](http://www.BacktoGod.net) for local stations and times.

**Unveiling a New CRCNA.org:** The Christian Reformed Church is ringing in the New Year with a new website. The redesign features a host of new features and is designed to help CRC members and leaders, as well as first-time visitors, to find information and resources online. Visit the new [www.crcna.org](http://www.crcna.org) and have a look around. You'll be pleasantly surprised at what you find.

## **Updates from Our Missionaries, Gary and Pam Van Veen**

Gary and Pam request that we remember these events for the year 2007:

- Work teams from Westview CRC and Shawnee Park CRC, MI
- Orientation of new missionaries, Joel and Alison Renkema
- Packing up and leaving the Dominican Republic and our ministry of 17 years
- Visitation of our supporting churches
- Hans entering Kuyper College, MI in August
- Adjusting to North American lifestyle

## Our Church Family

### Please pray for these personal needs:

- \* **Jeff B.:** We are thankful with Jeff, Estella and Brendan that they are now able to worship with us again. Jeff will be having an appointment with the doctor to evaluate and advise on his condition. He will begin out patient therapy soon. Continue to remember the B. family in you prayers.
- \* **Charlie B., Irvin D., Rein G. and Cobe R.:**  
Please pray for these members of our church family who have continuing health problems. Remember these friends with your cards and visits: they appreciate your thoughtfulness.
- \* **Carl H.:** Carl is being treated for a leg infection. Please pray for complete healing for Carl and also for Lucille as she cares for him.
- \* **Linda H.** (mother of Jennifer C.): Linda continues with her chemo treatments. Please pray that they will be effective. Jennifer thanks the congregation for your prayers and support!
- \* **Pastor Don Hammond's wife, Norma:** Norma began an infusion program to strengthen her bones in addition to her chemotherapy.
- \* **Marilyn M.** (mother of Judy V.): Marilyn has been diagnosed with lung cancer. They are waiting for test results to determine the kind of cancer and the treatment. Please pray for Marilyn and the V. family.

**We extend our Christian Sympathy to the Bill G. Family.** Bill passed away Saturday, December 30 and the funeral service was at our church on Friday, January 5. Please pray for the family as they grieve the loss of a much loved father and grandfather.

### Pray for our church while we are without a Pastor. Please remember:

- our youth (JJs and Sonlife) as they spend time learning and having a great time together.
- our GEMS and Cadets: we continue our partnership with other churches and are seeing wonderful growth and enthusiasm.
- our Sunday children's groups: we experience good attendance and are thankful for a faithful staff.
- our men's and women's Bible studies
- our various teams as they seek God's direction for our church
- God's leading as the Pastoral Search Team continues the process of searching for a new Pastor for our church.

## Church News and Events

**January is Sanctity of Life Month:** We will be taking an offering for Community Pregnancy Center on January 21 and for Bethany Christian Services on January 28. Both agencies assist with the physical, emotional and spiritual needs that surround an unplanned pregnancy. Please plan to give to these two important causes.

**From Pastor Al and Sandy:** Dear Congregation, I am deeply grateful for the last year that we spent together. Sandy and I were overwhelmed with the warm farewell and the many kind statements that were made. You have touched our hearts. Thank you also for the lovely gift. We will always remember your kindness. May God use what we have done together and greatly bless SJCRC in this new year.

With our gratitude and love,  
Al and Sandy Helder

**From the Worship & Arts Team - What's this "Lectionary" thing?** Did you notice the reference at the top of our order of worship to the "Lectionary Day"? A Lectionary is "a list of scriptural texts (called 'lections') recommended for use in worship on a particular day". The Lectionary we are using is a 3-year cycle of weekly lections used by many Protestant churches throughout the world. The Lectionary follows the seasons of the Church Year (such as Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, and more), which reflect the Life of Christ.

The Worship & Arts Team has decided to use the Lectionary as a guide for our worship services. Since so many churches use the Lectionary, we felt that it would be helpful for our guest ministers. Also, the Lectionary ties our worship to the worship of millions of Christians around the world, as well as to the historic Church. Using the readings of the Lectionary develops the discipline of reading and hearing the scriptures that define the Christian faith. It also deepens our understanding of the Church Year (and consequently the life of Christ) while helping to set the rhythm for the year. It's thrilling to think that we are lifting our voices and hearts in worship with millions of fellow sisters and brothers of the faith throughout the world.

We look forward to exploring the life of Christ, deepening our faith and glorifying God with you through the Church year. (Information cited here is from the Vanderbilt Divinity Library Online Resource. You can find a complete Lectionary and more information at: <http://divinity.library.vanderbilt.edu/lectionary>).

**The January 2007 "Prayer Guides", the January/February 2007 "Today" devotionals and the December/January/February "Our Daily Bread" devotionals are available in the information racks. Please pick up your copies.**

## Church News and Events, continued

The New January/February Sunday Morning Volunteer Schedules are in your mail folders in the fellowship hall. Please pick up your copy today! Many thanks to Fern Marcus for reminding us of our duties each week!

**Church Bulletin:** Miss a service? Current and archived bulletins are online at [www.sjrc.org](http://www.sjrc.org). Please have any bulletin announcements for this coming Sunday into the office **this week by Thursday evening** at the latest.

### From the Deacons:

December, 2006: CMF (Church Ministry Fund) \$38, 322.30  
vs. a monthly budget of \$26,416.00

Special Offerings, Dec.: Faith Promise: \$1,168.00  
Ministry Shares: \$6,468.00  
San Jose Family Shelter: \$1,350.00  
Calvary Rehab Center: \$273.00  
CARE: \$200.00

### Preaching Schedule for January and February, 2007:

January 21: Gil Suh  
January 28: Timothy Blackmon  
February 4:  
February 11: Bruce Persenaire  
February 18: George Ebbers  
February 25: Lambert Sikkema

## Elder-Deacon Care Groupings

Elder/Deacon phone numbers are in the church directory. *Please inform them directly* of any need you might have.

<u>Last Name Beginning</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
A-B	Doug P.	Mark L.
C-F	Jake B.	Steve S.
G-Ki	Harvey V.	Dan M.
Ko-L	Steve B.	Bruce G.
M-O	Bryan P.	Doug B.
P-S	Jeff B.	Steve M.
T-Z	Randy M.	Gert B.

**Council Officers:** Bryan P., Council President  
Harvey V., Vice President  
Randy M., Clerk

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### Helping This Sunday, January 14

**Greeters:** Josef and Cecilia C.  
**Ushers:** Tina V., Anthony V.  
**Hospitality:** Harv and Carol V.  
**Audio/Visual:** Mike K. and Tony G.  
**Coffee:** Bryan and Mary Ann P., Mark and Grace M., Hollianne G.  
**Nursery:** Robin B., Zach M., Trevor P.  
**Kids' Life:** Patty K., Harriet V., Alexis S.

### Helping Next Sunday, January 21

**Greeters:** Steve and Joanne M.  
**Ushers:** Case and Leigh Ann V.  
**Hospitality:** Bryan and Mary Ann P.  
**Audio/Visual:** Mavis M. and Steve M.  
**Coffee:** Henry and Ann M., Doug and Betty P., Willie K.  
**Nursery:** Natalie L., Willie K.  
**Kids' Life:** Natalie L., Willie K., Betty P.

### Schedule of Events: January 14 - 21, 2006

#### ***This Sunday:***

9:30 am – Worship Service: Lectionary Day- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany  
10:40 am – Coffee and Refreshments  
11:00 am – Classes for Children and Youth

#### ***Tuesday:***

7:30 pm – Council Meeting

#### ***Wednesday:***

10:00 am – Coffee Break Women's Bible Study  
6:30 pm – Worship and Arts Ministry Team Meeting  
7:00 pm – Stephen's Ministry Meeting

#### ***Thursday:***

7:30 pm – Praise Team

#### ***Saturday:***

8:00 am – Men's Life Bible Study

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*Overeaters Anonymous meets Mon., Tues. and Thurs. evenings  
and Sat. mornings. Alcoholics Anonymous meets Tues. evenings.*