

October 30, 2020

Dear Friends,

The next two letters will contain Zoom links and little more. I'm taking a little pause.

I will spend next week on a prayer retreat. How might I pray for you? Please feel free to [email me](#) with your prayer requests by Monday at noon. It is a pleasure and joy to name you and hold you before the Lord.

Sunday Online Worship Gathering at 10 a.m.

This coming Sunday is All Saints' Day and the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church (IDOP). We will hear from Rick Hiemstra as he considers the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12).

Please request Sunday's link [here](#).

*Please join the Zoom meeting after 9:30 a.m. to avoid problems entering the meeting.

For this week's scripture readings, links to IDOP resources, and other announcements, go to [Sunday's bulletin](#).

Sunday School for grades 4-6 at 11:15 a.m.

You may 'send' your child to Sunday School (grades 4-6) at 11:15 a.m. Please [email our family ministry pastor](#) for the Zoom link.

Tuesday Prayer Gathering: November 3

You are welcome to [submit prayer requests](#) to the team. We will keep you in our prayers.

Today's psalm in Christian Resource Institute's list of [daily readings](#) is Psalm 40. I leave you with the first few verses to inform your prayers and to help you celebrate God's ongoing good work in your life: "I waited patiently for the LORD; he turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear the LORD and put their trust in him."

For U2 fans: here's [U2's rendition of Psalm 40](#) (beginning at minute 4:46 to 7:06), preceded by their song "Yahweh."

I was reminded yet again today that prayer has nothing to do with getting God to line up with our personal agendas. Rather, we align ourselves with God; we are willing for God to change us. We wait patiently for him and he turns to us and hears our cry. To pray is to seek God's will and to open our hands to receive the power to carry it out.

Hang in there everybody. Go with God!

With love and prayers,

Pastor Kerry Kronberg (with the whole team)