

SERMON NOTES:

Scripture: Genesis 22 :1-19 Pew Bible Page #27

Message: « The LORD Provides »



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ALLEN AVENUE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH



Pastor Mark Hofman

May 10, 2026

Worship 10:00am

Come...Now is the Time to Worship!

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We Gather to Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Invitation to Quiet

Call to Worship Psalm 66:8-10, 16-17 Pew Bible Page #824

Leader: Praise our God, all peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard;
he has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping.

All: For you, God, tested us; you refined us like silver.

Leader: Come and hear, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he
has done for me.

All: I cried out to him with my mouth; his praise was on my tongue.

*Opening Hymn of Praise *Praise to the Lord, The Almighty* LUYH 575 v. 1-4

*God's Greeting

*We Greet One Another

Renewed in God's Grace

Call to Confession Psalm 66:18-20 Pew Bible Page #825

Leader: If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have
listened; but God has surely listened and has heard my prayer. Praise be
to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me!

Responsive Prayer of Confession

**All: God of Israel and the nations, hear our prayer of sorrow for
our sins. We have not loved you with our whole heart, nor our
neighbors as ourselves. We break your commandments and
covenant every day. Have mercy on us and restore us by your
righteous compassion. May the blood of Jesus provide cleansing
confidence as we trust in your resurrection forgiveness. In the name
of Christ our Savior and by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon James 1:12-18 Pew Bible Page #1721

Song of Dedication *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less* LUYH 722

Children's Blessing

**Jesus loves the little children of the world.
May his blessing be upon you.
May his love surround you.
May his joy fill you.
Worship the Lord with praise and thanksgiving.**

Prayers of the People Judy Vaandering

God Speaks To Us

*Song of Preparation *The God of Abraham Praise* LUYH 39 v. 1-2, 5

Scripture Passage **Genesis 22:1-19** Pew Bible Page #27

Leader: "This is the Word of the Lord." **People: "Thanks be to God."**

Message **"The LORD Provides"**

*Song of Response *He's Always Been Faithful/Great is Thy Faithfulness*

We Are Sent Out

Our Offerings General Fund & Bethany Christian Services

*[offerings may be given online at allenavechurch.org
or in the baskets at each entrance]*

*God's Parting Blessing

*Parting Song *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow* LUYH 964

*Postlude

We Live to B.L.E.S.S.

*Believe. Love. Evangelize.
Support Christian Instruction. Serve.*



NURSERY & COFFEE FELLOWSHIP



5/10: Nursery: Susan Vanderlaan & Nancy Rop
Sunday School/Catechism
Coffee Fellowship: Theresa Mason, Bob & Susan VDL
5/17: Nursery: Toni Schuitema & Becky Schout
Children in Worship: Amber Johnson & Beth VanRees
Coffee Fellowship: Kristen Vlasma & Kelly Dauser
5/24: Nursery: Nancy Rop & Tayla Vlasma
Children in Worship: Laurie DeJonge & Deb Anderson
Coffee Fellowship: ???
5/31: Nursery: Jasmine Snyder & Asher Hofman
Children in Worship: Jill Schuitema & Carol Peterman
Coffee Fellowship: Sue Secord, Russ & Deb Vlasma

ALLEN AVENUE MISSIONARIES



****Pray for the * Missionary this Week***

Eric & Judith Tuls – Operation Mobilization
Rev. Jerry An – Back to God Ministries
Pastor Jeffery Hough – Angel Community Church
****Paul & Charlotte Mpindi–Mission French Africa***
Charles & Hensel Oh – Japan



ALLEN AVENUE CARE LIST

- 1) Wilma Doctor *Please call or send a card
- 2) Ro VerHeul to Care List Member, Joel!
- 3) **Joel Stefanits** OPTALIS--1061 W. Hackley
Muskegon, MI 49441

Heavenly Father, thank you for your great care for our loved ones on the care list. Today, we come to you and ask you to shine Your light into the lives of these dear people. Reveal Yourself as their Protector, Provider, & King. You overcame sin and death on the cross, and we pray that your victory will surround our loved ones and offer them hope and peace and Your love! Amen!



A Warm Welcome to Our Visitors, Guests, & Members on This Mother's Day 2026!

Women were the first to witness the resurrected Jesus, and they told others the good news of the living God. When you think about your faith journey, who are the women who have told you about God? This week take some time to journal, draw, or share with a friend or family member stories about the women who have had an impact on your faith. Consider writing a note to one of them or, if possible, visiting them and thanking them in person.

During Eastertide at Allen Avenue, we have been studying appearances (theophanies) of God in Genesis. This week Pastor Mark takes us to the region of Moriah where we will witness the testing of Abraham when God commands him to sacrifice his beloved Isaac in Genesis 22. We will be reminded that "God provides" always. Stick around after the service to gather and fellowship with one another, get caught up one another's week, and where you have seen God provide for you lately!

COUNCIL & DENOMINATION NEWS

The special offering for this Sunday, May 10, is for Bethany Christian Services. Bethany Christian Services demonstrates the love and compassion of Jesus Christ by protecting children, empowering youth, and strengthening families through quality social services.

ATTN: Allen Ave Committee Chairs--In our finance meeting last month, we discussed our goals for this year, one being working with committees for long range plans. We would like to encourage you now, as you meet with your committees to have these discussions and get your thoughts together, so when it is time to submit your budget for next year you have the opportunity to address these needs. We are blessed with the giving at our church and there are funds available, so please consider what projects you may want work on. Thank you for your service & all the work you do for Allen Ave! **–The Deacons**

CHURCH ACTIVITIES & OPPORTUNITIES



"Hearts on Fire" Ladies Bible Study will have our final luncheon to celebrate our year of study and all God's goodness to us on **Thursday, May 14, at 12noon at Lake Bluff Grille, 2801 Lakeshore Dr., Muskegon.**

Please RSVP to Susan Vanderlaan by Sunday,

May 10, so that reservations can be made. If any ladies of the church would like to join us, you are warmly welcomed...just let Susan know!

Men's Bible Study will meet on Monday, May 18 at 6:15. We will be enjoying a meal together along with studying Chapter 20. Hope to see you all there!

Michigan's Premier Christian Event is coming up!

The Unity Christian Music Festival will be held again this year at Heritage Landing. The dates are August 5-8. The discounted tickets are on sale

NOW! You'll find the sign-up sheet on a clipboard propped up on a bulletin board in the basement of church. A 1-day ticket is \$50.00, and a 3-day pass is only \$80.00! That is SO CHEAP!! Come join in the praise and worship led by Christian artists with King & Country, Tenth Avenue North, Crowder, We Are Messengers, Josh Wilson, Leanna Crawford and more. So, get signed up and get your money to Jill by the end of May (which is also the deadline for signing up).

In addition, don't forget that Wednesday, Aug. 5 is a totally FREE show with Tenth Avenue North headlining that night. See Jill Schuitema if you have any questions.



Kids' Corner Devotions: The Letter of Acts - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "The Letter of Acts" at www.kidscorner.net. The book of Acts tells an exciting story that shows God's good news is for you—Jesus loves you, forgives you, and gives you his Spirit no matter who you are or where you're from. It reminds us that God wants everyone to know his love and share it with the world! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like the Bible Story coloring pages available on the KC activities page.

PRAYER REQUESTS & THANKSGIVINGS

"I would like to thank everyone here at Allen Ave for all of the love and support you have shown me and my family in the past few months. If you sent a card or text, said a prayer, made us dinner or even just thought of us it was appreciated. My dad is at peace and no longer suffering, however our hearts still ache from losing a father and grandfather who was fiercely loved."

--Cam, Melisa, Yeabsira and Tekalegn Vlasma

"Dear Church Family, We got dad's CT scan results back on Tuesday. It shows the original tumor is gone and the lymph nodes that are affected are stable. Some have shrunk; some remain the same size. In turn, this is creating the thickening of his esophagus. The doctors have eliminated his two-hour chemo from his treatment plan, and we will continue with the immunotherapy. Praise God!!!"

--Kristen, Joey, and Matthew Vlasma & Families

Warmest congrats to **Bob and Jean Botting** with the arrival of their second grandchild, **Rhett Abraham**, to Ben & Jane Botting. He was born Tuesday at 9:49pm, weighing 7lbs. 8oz., and measuring 19.5 inches! Congrats to Big Sister **Sadie**, too! 😊

Celebrating with **John & Mary Kortman** again...last week new granddaughter **Tessa Joy** joined the family, and this week is Mary's mom, **Marilyn Jordan's** 90th birthday! So many things to be grateful for!