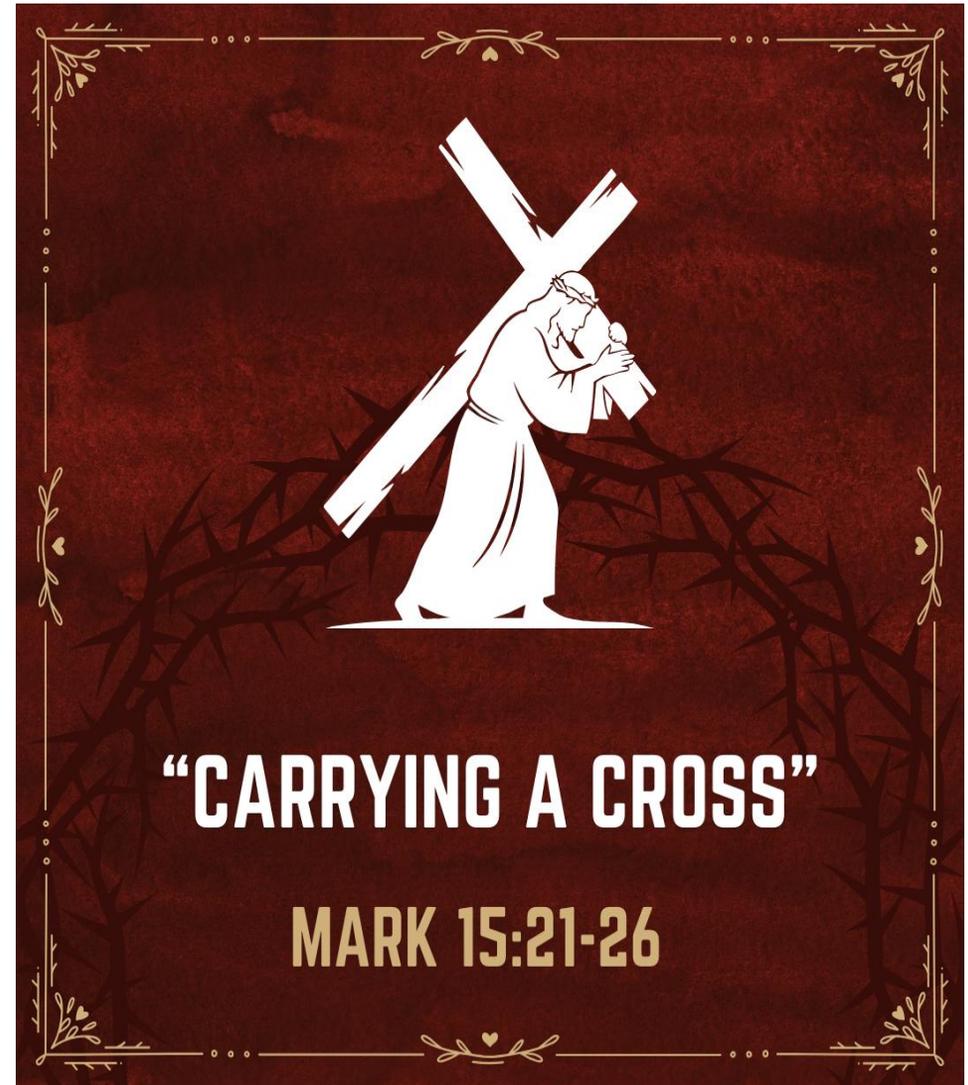


**\*Prayer Requests:**

- For protection and provision for our congregation during this pastor vacancy season.
- For our Pastor Search Committee, asking for wisdom, discernment and patience for each member as they find whom God has selected to shepherd this flock.
- Our Resonate Global missionary family, the Sytsma's, who are in Uganda.
- For Stephenville Christian Academy and other schools in our area. For the health and safety of the faculty and students this school year.
- For Joy Osinga, and the restoration of her kidneys.
- Continued prayers for Brady Miller as they are in the next chapter of monitoring and for the original desmoid tumor to continue to shrink in his cheek.
- Prayers for Macee for continued improvement for mobility to her legs. Also, for healing from her tonsil surgery this past Thursday.
- For the expectant mothers in our SCRC family, Madison Earlanon and Bregtje Vandermeer. For health and strength throughout their pregnancies, for safe deliveries, and for God's peace and protection over all mothers and babies.
- Comfort for the Hernandez family as they grieve the loss of baby Maya.
- For the family of Martin van Beek who passed away this month due to stomach cancer.
- For Klaas Stoker who has liver cancer, which has spread.
- Praise that Jospheh Osinga's results came back as cancer free.
- For Dennis Reed, Desiree's dad who had a permanent pacemaker. Prayers for healing and strength to return.

# Stephenville Christian Reformed Church



**Pastor Donald Draayer**  
**March 15, 2026**

# Sunday Morning Service

# Sermon Notes

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Open my lips, Lord,

**People: and my mouth will declare your praise. (Psalm 51:15)**

Leader: O Lord, you are my God;

**People: I will exalt you;**

Leader: I will praise Your name,

**People: for you have done wonderful things,**

Leader: Plans formed of old,

**People: faithful and sure. (Isaiah 25:1)**

Leader: Hasten, O God, to save me;

**People: come quickly, Lord, to help me. (Psalm 70:1)**

Leader: may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;

**People: may those who long for your saving help always say,**

**“The Lord is great!” (Psalm 70:4)**

\*Prayer

\*God’s Greeting/Mutual Greeting

\*Opening Songs: “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” LUYH 521 (1-3)

“We Will Extol You, God and King” LUYH 562 (1, 2, 4)

Offering: General Fund

(Nursery-aged children are dismissed)

Congregational Prayer

Message: “Carrying a Cross”

Scripture: Mark 15:21-26

\*Song of Response: “Ancient Words” LUYH 762

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

\*God’s Parting Blessing

\*Sending Song: “Go, My Children, with My Blessing” LUYH 946 (1-3)

# Stephenville Christian Reformed Church News



Welcome to our fellowship, where we are gathered together as friends and family to worship and praise our God. If you are visiting with us, we are glad that you are here! This morning, Pastor Draayer will be preaching from Mark 15:12-26. Following service, please join us for a time of fellowship with coffee & cookies. There will be no Sunday school classes following service but there will be practice for the kids for the Palm Sunday song and for the adults in the Easter choir.

## Weekly Schedule

**Sunday 10:30am** Sunday Morning Worship Service  
**11:45am** Kid's Palm Sunday & Easter Choir Practice  
**3:00pm** Profession of Faith Class  
**6:00pm** Small Group Leadership Class

## Offering Schedule

**March 15:** General Fund  
**March 22:** General Fund & The Love Basket  
**March 29:** General Fund & Benevolence  
**April 5:** General Fund

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## Wednesday Cooking

**March 18:** No WFN  
**March 25:** Jessica Overstreet  
**April 1:** Desiree Stoker  
**April 8:** CoriAnn Kalsbeek

## Sound Booth

**March 15:** Honor & James  
**March 22:** Kaleb & Shaun  
**March 29:** Justice & Ryland  
**April 5:** Honor & Dillinger

## Nursery Duty

**March 15:** Jennifer & Noemy  
**March 22:** CoriAnn & Ariana  
**March 29:** JoEllen & Jaclyn  
**April 5:** Jessica H. & Henry

## Sunday Cookie Duty

**March 15:** Heidi Velsen  
**March 22:** Jessica Hoekstra  
**March 29:** Laura Osinga  
**April 5:** Rita Huisman

## \*News/Reminders:

**Monthly Capital Campaign** – The March capital campaign is for The Love Basket. The Love Basket is a drive through food pantry ministry that started in October of 2005 as a Sunday school project at Patrick St. Church of Christ in Dublin. They became an independent organization in October 2007 and serve anyone in need in Erath County and are open the first and third Fridays of each month, from 8-11:00 am and from 5-6:30 pm. They are an

all-volunteer organization, supported by Erath County United Way and individual contributions from the community. We will take an offering in support of this ministry next Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**“Digging Deeper” Opportunity** – Pastor Draayer is now offering a time following the worship service to dive deeper and answer any questions about the sermon during fellowship time. If you are interested in this, grab a cup of coffee, then meet in the Pastor's office following the service each week. There will not be a class this morning due to Spring Break.

**Church Service Nursery Announcement** – Every week, nursery-aged children will be dismissed to the nursery following the children's message. Secondly, to reduce how often volunteers are scheduled, we are seeking additional nursery volunteers. Even serving once every other month makes a big difference! If you're willing to help, please let Desiree or Marsha know.

**Profession of Faith Class** – Pastor Draayer will be offering another pre-profession of faith class today at 3:00 pm in the council room.

**Small Group Leadership Class** – Pastor Draayer will be offering another small group leadership training class today at 6:00pm in the council room.

**Easter Choir** – Immediately following service this morning, we will have choir practice at the front of the sanctuary.

## \*Upcoming Dates to Remember:

**Spring Break** – Spring Break is this week! We will not have Sunday School this morning, Wednesday Family Night on the 18<sup>th</sup>, or Ladies Coffee Break on the 19<sup>th</sup>.

**SERVE Day Away** – For SERVE Stephenville, the “day away” will be at the Fort Worth Rodeo on Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. An email will be sent out this week with the dinner & rodeo details, and a headcount is needed by March 15<sup>th</sup>. Please respond to the email if you plan to attend or let Jennifer Osinga know. If you are not on our email list, please talk to Desiree Stoker.

**Spring Fellowship Potluck** – Join us Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> following our Palm Sunday service for a spring potluck! Please bring a dish and/or dessert to share.

**Holy Week Services** – Join us on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> for our Palm Sunday service. On Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm, we will have a special Good Friday service and will also be celebrating the sacrament of communion. On Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> we will have an Easter service at 10:30 AM followed by an Easter egg hunt for the kids.