

Dear Congregation at Terra Ceia,

We are Henk and Ruth Bruinsma and we are looking forward to meeting you, to worshipping with you, and to bringing God's Word to you, our brothers and sisters in the Lord. Thank you for your invitation.

Henk grew up in an immigrant family in Bowmanville, ON, Canada, and though he felt called to the ministry already as a child he also loves history and practical work with his hands. After graduating from Trinity Christian College and Westminster Seminary he met Ruth in Grand Rapids, MI while studying for one year at Calvin Seminary.

Ruth, who is a first cousin of Jan DeHoog, was born in New Jersey and also went to Trinity. She was working as a copy editor at the CRC Board of Publications when we met in 1982.

We have two children, a son Jonathan and a daughter Rebecca. Jonathan is married to Kayley and they have four children between the ages of 9 and 2.

We first served the congregation of Holland Marsh CRC (ON), where many members were vegetable farmers. We also served in Chatham and Woodbridge, also in Ontario. The last 13 years of Henk's full time ministry were at Heritage CRC (Brampton, ON), a congregation existing entirely within a senior citizens complex of 1,100 people that included two long term care facilities. With two colleagues he served as pastor to the congregation and chaplain to other residents who were not members of the church.

After retiring in 2021 we moved to Rockford, MI, because our children and grandchildren now live in this area, as do several families of long term friends. We worship at Trinity CRC (Sparta).

It will be a privilege to serve among you. Please pray that God will guide, that his name will be honored, and that we may truly build each other up in the grace, the truth, the love and the hope that are in Christ Jesus.

—**Pastor Henk & Ruth**

Council News

Meeting May 11

- ♦ The Council and Search Committee have had Zoom meetings with a pastor candidate from Oregon.
- ♦ The Maintenance Committee is working to get the sanctuary air conditioning fixed.
- ♦ Our single candidates for offices are John M for elder and Kenneth VS for deacon.
- ♦ A congregational meeting is set for 7 pm on Monday, June 16 in the fellowship hall.
- ♦ Council amended and approved a Renovation Committee request to buy a clock and pictures for the fellowship hall, clean up the east classroom, and remove a DVD shelf in order to create a church history area.
- ♦ Next Council Meeting is set for Sunday, June 1 at 9 am.



Terra Ceia Christian Reformed Church

**3298 Terra Ceia Road
Pantego NC 27860**

Sunday, May 25, 2025

Sunday Service at 10:30 am

service streamed at www.facebook.com/TerraCeiaCRC





Order of Service

Welcome

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*Mutual Greeting

**This Is My Father's World*

Law, Confession, Forgiveness

Congregational Prayer

**God Has Spoken by the Prophets*

II Peter 3

Biblical Freedom of Religion

O Christians Haste

Offering

*Benediction

**My Friends,*

May You Grow in Grace

Organ: Gerda

Preaching: Henk Bruinsma



This Week at TC CRC

Sunday, May 25

Pastor Henk Bruinsma

10:30 am Worship Service

11:30 am Fellowship

Thursday, May 29

7:00 pm ESL class

Sunday, June 1

Pastor Bill Vis, video

9:00 am Council meeting

10:30 am Worship Service

11:30 am Fellowship

The Quiet Space...

is located off the foyer. It is available during worship for a variety of possible reasons—an unhappy child, a discreet reason, or to view the live stream on FaceBook.

Nursery Available

If you would like to use the nursery, please let the greeter know and they will make sure an attendant meets you there.

Prayer Praises & Requests

- Pastor Bill & Sandy as they travel to celebrate Bill's dad's 95th birthday...and their son coming from Korea as well
- Pastor Henk & Ruth Bruinsma as they prepare to serve our congregation
- The Pastor Search Team
- Safe class trips for TCCS kids
- Praise that Dean, Sandy's brother, does not need heart surgery
- Jennifer (44), Jan DH's cousin, with her first baby, and that she comes to Jesus
- Healing for
 - Aaron, Brian's brother-in-law, with Chronic Graft vs. Host Disease
 - John M having to be off his feet for 2 more weeks
 - Kendra, Ken & Carol's granddaughter, who is struggling with doctors' advice to terminate her pregnancy since the baby's organs are not forming correctly
 - Nancy, Bill VS's daughter, recurrence of GI problems
- Comfort for those mourning the death of:
 - Grandma of Nick, John & Anne's son-in-law
 - Cliff M, Alan M's former co-worker

Advance Dates

ESL meets every Thursday at 7:00 -8:15 pm until May 29.

June 1 Council meeting 9 am

June 6-8 Youth Group Retreat

June 15 Communion celebrated (Arie prepares elements)

June 16 Congregational Meeting 7 pm

Fellowship

Please launder towels after your service.

May 25 Christy K, Leslie VS

Jun 1 Anne M, Charlene M

Jun 8 Audrey Z, Anita A

Jun 15 Jeanne VS, Deb VS

Jun 22 Jan DH, Amy VS

Jun 29 Jan VS. Irene VW

Greeters

Please alert nursery attendant if needed.

May 25 Jan VS

Jun 1 Kenneth

Jun 8 Audrey

Jun 15 Gerda

Jun 22 Jan VS

Jun 29 Kenneth

Nursery

May 25 Holly VS, Lily M

Jun 1 Carl VS, Emily VS

Jun 8 Gerrit & Selene VS

Jun 15 Leslie, Charlene

Jun 22 Kenneth & Jeanne VS

Jun 29 Deb & John VS

Jul 6 Anne M, Amy VS

Worship Futures

Jun 1 Bill V, recorded sermon

Jun 8—Chris Rouse

Jun 15-Jul 13 Henk Bruinsma

Jul 20—Joel McDaniel

Jul 27—Chris Rouse

Aug 17—Mark Knetsch

Birthdays & Anniversaries

June *1 Laurel M

*5 Leslie VS

*9 Sydney L

*10 Dave & Jenny F

*14 Arie DH

*16 Ty & Gerda R

*18 Bob & Judy B

*19 Earl & Nancy DH

*23 Ellowyn VW

*25 Marin VS

*30 John B