



Blessed *to* Bless

Welcome!

February 1, 2026

SONGS & PRAYER

GOD'S WORD

Matthew 7:7-12

Sermon on the Mount: Counterculture

“Ask, Seek, Knock:
Children of the Father”

PARTING

Song
God's Blessing

Prayer Pointer

“Few things in life are more precious than time spent alone in prayer with God, and yet so easy to neglect.”

Sinclair Ferguson, The Christian Life

Outline

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1. Prosperity Gospel?
2. Good Father, Good Gifts
3. Golden Rule

Announcements

Have you been heard? Our congregation has a once-in-five-year opportunity to participate in the 2025 CRC denominational survey. This survey helps denominational leadership understand the concerns and needs of local congregations like ours. It is crucial that as many people from our congregation as possible participate. Please visit crcna.org/survey/4339 to answer the survey questions by March 31.

The Auxiliary of the Artesia Christian Home will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 3, at 1:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Artesia I CRC on Alburstis. We welcome new members to join us.

Friendship Fellowship will meet Monday, February 9, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Rosewood Family Restaurant, 10769 South Street, Cerritos. Come enjoy some great fun and fellowship with our church family. Anyone 55 and older invited. Questions? Call Larry Vander Schaaf at 562-900-1770. Please note: each person is responsible for purchasing their own meal.

The second offering on February 15, will be for Valley Christian Schools. Established in 1935 by local Christian Reformed Churches, Valley Christian Schools (VCS) provide a Christian education for children and youth from preschool through grade 12.

In the light of the Lordship of Jesus Christ and the authority of God's word, VCS is committed to educate each unique student in cooperation with the Christian community so that he or she is equipped and inspired to make a difference for Jesus Christ in the world. VCS depends, in part, upon the continuing support of the local Christian Reformed Churches, like Long Beach CRC, to provide tuition assistance to its students.

You are invited!

Come join
Kidshine 2026

A Musical/Drama under the
Direction of Kay VanWeerthuizen

Rehearsals begin February 22, 2026

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.



For 1st - 8th grade

Presentations will be
April 18 & 19 at 6:00 p.m.

Call 562-421-1721
for more info.

Serving This Sunday

(February 1, 2026)

Greeters – Julie Hecox

Ushers – Eric Schoonover,
Marilyn Dancey, Bruce Hecox

Prayer Leader –
Rob Thompson

Children's Message –
Pastor Bryan Branderhorst

Nursery – Abby Van Hofwegen,
Megan Minnema
Helper – Faith Anema

Campus Safety –
Jonathan De Vries

Serving Next Sunday

(February 8, 2026)

Greeters – John & Claudia Bakker

Ushers – Cam Prestwich,
Steven O'Neil, Bruce Hecox

Prayer Leader –
Louisa Bakker-De Vries

Children's Message –

Nursery – Donna Sato,
Jennifer Trujillo

Helper – Jace Branderhorst

Children's Church –
Jeri Lynne Cullison
Greeter – Deanne Grasmeyer

Campus Safety –
Tim Vander Schaaf

Calendar

This Week

Sunday

Sunday Service 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School Classes 10:45 a.m.

Tuesday

Men's Bible Study 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday

Coffee Break 9:30 a.m.

Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Anchor 6:30 p.m.

Compass 6:30 p.m.

Cadets 6:30 p.m.

GEMS 6:30 p.m.

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Sunday School Classes 10:45 a.m.

Upcoming

February 9 – Friendship Fellowship

February 10 – Council Meeting

February 17 – Elders & Deacons

Meet

February 22 – Communion Sunday

February 25 – All Church Night,

GEMS Fundraiser Dinner