



Blessed to Bless

Welcome!

March 1, 2026

SONGS & PRAYER

GOD'S WORD

Matthew 7:24-29

Sermon on the Mount:

Counter Culture

"Firm Foundation"

PARTING

Song

God's Blessing

Prayer Pointer

*One of God's greatest gifts to us is the
privilege of prayer.*

Use it often.

Billy Graham, World Evangelist

Outline

Matthew 7:24-29

Sermon on the Mount:

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"Firm Foundation"

1. Foolish Builders
2. Wise Builders
3. Christ, the Cornerstone

Announcements

Thank you to everyone who came out to support our GEMS club on Wednesday night! We hope you enjoyed the food and fellowship. We appreciate each one of you. Thank you for blessing our girls!

Council Nominations: Dear Congregation, the council requests your nominations for the office of elder and deacon. Please prayerfully consider these important roles and give any nominations to any elder, deacon, or Pastor Bryan. The last date to turn in nominations is **March 15.**

Friendship Fellowship will meet Monday, March 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.

Exploring membership classes begin on Sunday, **March 15. (new date).** The group will meet in the Ministry Center from 10:45-11:30 a.m. Let Pastor Bryan know if you plan to attend.

Part-Time Church Secretary Needed - Long Beach Christian Reformed Church is seeking a dedicated, detail-oriented individual who loves the Lord, to manage our church office. If you are a professional with strong Microsoft Office skills and a desire to serve our ministry, we encourage you to apply. Duties are varied, covering administrative, communications, records, and event support. This is a part-time position, averaging 25 hours per week. A full job description is available upon request. Contact the church office at 562-421-1721 or email John van Kooy at lbcrcadmin@lbcrc.org.

The **Auxiliary of Artesia Christian Home** will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 3, at 1:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Social Hall of Artesia I CRC on Alburdis. New members are always welcome.

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.**

(As of this week we have only had 5 people do the survey.)

Inviting all singers! **The Grace Notes Community Choir** will soon start rehearsals for their Easter season. The choir will be participating in the Easter sunrise service at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Long Beach - Sunday, April 5, 6:00 AM. Anyone who enjoys singing is welcome to join. Rehearsals will be held on various Mondays and Thursdays throughout March. Please contact Faith Rietveld at frietveld@msn.com for more information and a detailed rehearsal schedule.

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Turkey & the Seven Churches of Revelation (Oct 9-19, 2026): Visit ancient sites connected with Paul's First, Second, and Third Missionary Journeys as well as the seven churches to whom John wrote the Book of Revelation. Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational biblical tour.

Contact Dr. Weima at [616-328-3110](tel:616-328-3110) or weimje@calvinseminary.edu

Serving This Sunday

(March 1, 2026)

Greeters – Julie Hecox, Anna Kern

Ushers – Hector Corona,
Ron Oldham, Bruce Hecox

Prayer Leader –
John Bakker

Children's Message –
Tracey Branderhorst

Nursery – Dawn Ver Steeg,
Colin Sprik

Helper – Claire Rinker

Children's Church –
Andy Lewis

Greeter – Matt Anema

Campus Safety – Rick Milner

Serving Next Sunday

(March 8, 2026)

Greeters – Di Grasmeyer,
Tammi Prestwich

Ushers – Rob Thompson
Bill Cullison, Bruce Hecox

Prayer Leader –
Rick Milner

Children's Message –
Leneé Struiksma

Nursery – Alice De Bruin,
Megan Minnema

Helper – Violet LeMonnier

Children's Church –
Sharon Sprik

Greeter – Abby Schoonover

Campus Safety – Kevin Hughes

Calendar

This Week

Sunday

Sunday Service 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School Classes 10:45 a.m.

KidShine Rehearsal 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

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| Coffee Break | 9:30 a.m. |
| Adult Bible Study | 6:30 p.m. |
| Anchor | 6:30 p.m. |
| Compass | 6:30 p.m. |

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| Cadets | 6:30 p.m. |
| GEMS | 6:30 p.m. |

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| Sunday Service | 9:30 a.m. |
| Sunday School Classes | 10:45 a.m. |
| KidShine Rehearsal | 4:30 p.m. |

Upcoming

March 9 – Friendship Fellowship

March 17 – Council Meeting,
w/ Deacons & Elders Meetings
following the Council Meeting.

March 21 –

Cadet's Derby Race
at 1st Artesia CRC

March 22 – Blood Drive

You are invited!

Come join

Kidshine 2026

A Musical/Drama under the
Direction of Kay VanWeerthuizen

**Rehearsals Sundays from
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.**



For 1st - 8th grade

Presentations will be
May 2 & 3 at 6:00 p.m.

Call 562-421-1721
for more info.