

BYRON CENTER PROTESTANT REFORMED CHURCH

THIS IS THE LORD'S DAY – MAY 20, 2012

We extend a warm welcome to our visitors and pray that God richly blesses our fellowship under the preaching of His Word. Please join us for coffee after the morning service. Our order of worship is on the back of this bulletin.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

SEMINARIAN E. GUICHELAAR

"A REBELLIOUS PEOPLE CHASTISED BY FIERY SERPENTS"

- I. Sin and Judgment
- II. The God-Provided Deliverance
- III. In the Way of Repentance and Faith

Read: Numbers 20:14 - 21:9

Text: Numbers 21:4-9

Psalter Numbers: 170, 362, 91 (2nd tune), 310

Offerings: General Fund
Christian Schools

Next Week: General Fund
CCHS

Ushers: AM Joe Boverhof, Jon Lubbers, Tim Ondersma, Jr.
PM Lance DeVries, Tim Engen, Nick Dykstra

Greeters: AM Terry & Ellen Kamminga
PM Tim & Penny Kamps

Library: AM Beth Ondersma, Nathan Kaiser
PM Cornelis Kleyn, Lois Knott

Nursery: AM Katie Hassevoort, Jessica H., Holly H.
PM Katie Lubbers, Emily H., Nathan K.

Security: AM & PM Tedd Van Solkema

May Toy Cleaner: Ciri Mingerink

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

PROF. R. DYKSTRA

"PURPOSED NOT TO DEFILE HIMSELF"

- I. The Issue
- II. The Trial
- III. The Blessing

Read: Daniel 1

Text: Daniel 1:8-21

Psalter Numbers: 379, 31, 322, 391

Offerings: Benevolent Fund
Faith PR School – Randolph
Building Fund

Next Week: Benevolent Fund
Evangelism

Next Week: Terry & Pamela Kaptein
Brent & Shelli Klamer

Next Week: Ronda Slendebroek, Kevin VanPutten
Julie Kaiser, Paige Block

Next Week: Pamela Kaptein, Megan H., Madeline K.
Kelly R. Lubbers, Tessa H., Emily K.

Next Week: Jim Slendebroek

The Reformed Witness Hour

Sunday - WFUR 102.9 FM at 8 AM, 1570 AM at 4 PM

"Come Let Us Build!" Nehemiah 2:11-20 - Rev. C. Haak

****OUR CHURCH IN FELLOWSHIP – THE LORD WILLING****

We welcome to our pulpit today Seminarian Erik Guichelaar and Prof. Russell Dykstra.

Pastor Spruiensma had a safe trip and arrived in Singapore. He thanks the congregation for the prayers for traveling mercies, and now we pray that the Lord will bless the labors and the saints as they receive the preaching and teaching of God's Word.

At the Congregational Meeting this past Wednesday, the following men were elected to the office of elder: Brad Dykstra, Mike Elzinga and Ed Hekstra and to the office of deacon: Tim Block and Dirk Monsma. The congregational meeting was preceded by our monthly council meeting. The meeting was routine with financial reports being read and received, a report from the India Outreach Committee and approval was given to the directory committee to proceed with a pictorial directory. After the congregational meeting the council approved the actions of the congregational meeting and reviewed the concept minutes.

The Council is grateful to the congregation for the gifts given in April. General Fund \$27,005.65 (down \$1,381.54 for the year). Benevolent Fund collected \$4254.40; disbursements \$2199.49; balance \$24,010.82; Adams Christian School \$2257.59; Covenant Christian School \$392.36; Heritage Christian School \$298.94; Hope Christian School \$186.84; Covenant Chr. School, Lynden \$606.62; Foreign Sem. Student Asst. \$442.55; India Outreach \$488.76; Domestic Missions \$435.61; Foreign Missions \$358.77; RFPA Books \$183.01; Special Education \$975.68.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

To the congregation: Thank you SO much for all the expressions of care and concern in the passing of our Mom and Grandma, Mae Koerner. Thanks Pastor for your comforting words, the Helping Hands committee for the beautiful planter, and all the many cards, gifts of food, and expressions of sympathy. Also thanks for the cards and concern as we continue to deal with Sherry and her feeding tube and skin issue problems. Please continue to keep us in your prayers. "For in thee, O Lord, do I hope: thou wilt hear, O Lord my God" Psalm 38:15. Mike, Ruth and Sherry Elzinga

The congregation is invited to witness the marriage ceremony of Ethan Mingerink and Alyssa Klamer this Thursday, May 24 at Hudsonville Protestant Reformed Church, beginning at 6:30 PM.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Young People: We have extended the deadline to Tuesday, May 22 to register for this years' convention without paying a late fee! Looking forward to seeing you in August!

Young People: We are looking for volunteers to do special numbers at the 2012 YP Convention. Please call Jon or Cheri Rutgers at 616-669-0708 or email jon253@sbcglobal.net. We appreciate your help.

Adams Christian School continues its deficit support drive for the 2012-2013 year. Information has been mailed out. If you did not receive a packet in the mail or in your church mailbox, you can get one by calling the school office. Please remember this need and send your gift or pledge to the school by May 21, or put it in the collection plate in the envelope provided. Please reply even if you cannot contribute at this time.

Hudsonville PRC's evangelism committee is making CDs and DVDs of the conference "The Answer in an Age of Uncertainty" available upon request. Please send requests to hudsonvilleprc@gmail.com.

What do you know about the Reformed Witness Hour? Are you a regular listener of the program? Did you know you can listen to the messages 24/7 through our website, at www.reformedwitnesshour.org? Do you support this important cause of spreading the gospel in the U.S. and throughout the world? We thank you for the generous offerings taken in the churches and encourage you to remember us in our current (deficit) needs. Did you know that you can now also contribute to this ministry directly through our website? Hit the "donate" button and follow the instructions. And, would you have an interest in serving on the RWH Committee here in the Grand Rapids area? We meet every other month at First PRC, and are in need of a few new members. We would welcome your presence and talents! Contact our chairman, Mr. C. Terpstra (cjterpstra@sbcglobal.net), if interested.

The Hope Heralds will meet this morning at 11:25 AM at Covenant Chr. High School. All men 9th grade and older are welcome and encouraged to join us as we begin rehearsing for this years' season of praise to God.

The CCHS Board will meet this Monday, May 21 at 7:30 PM.

The Board of Heritage Christian School will meet this Monday, May 21 at 7:30 PM.

Band Concert: You are invited to join the band of Covenant Christian High School and the Junior High bands of Adams, Heritage and Hope Christian Schools as they present a combined band concert this Wednesday, May 23, at the Allendale High School Auditorium beginning at 7:30 PM.

Senior Singles Fellowship: We plan to meet this Thursday, May 24 at the Rainbow Grill in Grandville (back section) at 11:30 AM. After lunch the program will be at our Hope PRC. Your reservations are needed by tomorrow (May 21). Please call Arlene Kamps (667-6015) or June Vanden Top (735-0463).

Softball Fans: Come out and join the SWYP at their annual softball tournament this Saturday, May 26 at Whistlestop Park in Byron Center. Games start around 8:30 AM and play throughout the day. Enjoy a lunch of grilled hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, sno cones and drinks. We have 10 men's teams and 4 women's teams playing this year!! Enjoy a day of fun and fellowship.

Please plan to attend our annual Adams Boosters Memorial Day pancake breakfast on Monday, May 28 at Adams Christian School. Breakfast will be served from 7:00-9:30 AM. We hope to see you there!

Memorial Day: Begin your day with us at Georgetown PRC for the Bountiful Breakfast Buffet on May 28 from 7-10 AM. Bring family, friends and neighbors! It will be tasty, hot and delicious! Benefits the Young People's Group.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! CCHS CHOIRS END OF THE YEAR CONCERT – Wednesday, May 30 - 7:30 PM at First Byron CRC (NOTE VENUE CHANGE). Alumni will join to sing with over 200 voices! ...including Battle of Jericho, Praise the Father Praise the Son, and In Christ Alone. Don't miss this!

CCHS Pasta Dinner: Support Covenant's Cross Country team by attending a benefit dinner to be held at Hope School on Friday, June 1. Dinner is at 5:30 PM (donations only) and the menu is Chicken Tetrazzini, Spaghetti Pizza, Salad, Rolls and Dessert.

Commencement exercises for the Covenant Christian High School Class of 2012 will be held on Friday, June 8 at 7:30 PM at Fair Haven Ministries. Rev. Ron Van Overloop is this year's speaker. You are welcome to attend.

The Loveland PR Christian School invites all interested in joining them June 22 for a celebration of 50 years of education as well as a dedication of the new church and high school addition. Please RSVP by May 26 to Jordan Kamps at jnckamps@yahoo.com or 970-776-8151 if you will be able to attend.

5th Annual Beach Volleyball Tournament by Faith Young People: It will be held on Saturday, July 14 at Holland State Park. There will be 6 person teams playing in a round robin tournament. Cost is \$150/team. Sign your team up by calling Lavonne Kooienga at 616-457-9333 or email tjkooienga@sbcglobal.net.

The Heritage Christian School Foundation Golf Outing is scheduled to be held on Saturday, July 14 at The Meadows Golf Course in Allendale, MI. Please mark your calendars and look for more detailed information to come in the following weeks.

Hudsonville PRC YP are hosting a 3x3 Soccer Tournament on Saturday, July 21 at Heritage Christian School. Cost is \$80 per team. Please see your church newsletter for a registration form or contact Amy Zwak at 662-8128 or zwakfam@sbcglobal.net.

Faith Christian School of Randolph is hosting their 7th Annual 10K/5K/1mile Fun Run Classic on Saturday, August 4. Registration forms and more information are available on their website at www.randolphcs.org.

Teacher/Bus Driver Openings: See the bulletin board in the narthex.