First Protestant Reformed Church

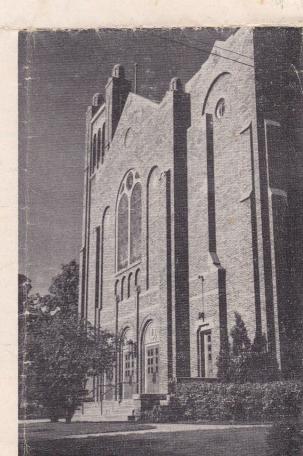
FULLER AVENUE AT FRANKLIN STREET
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

"Enter Into His Gates With Thanksgiving And Into His Courts With Praise."

- PSALM 100:4

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SUNDAY — OCTOBER 11, 1953

WORSHIP SERVICES

9:30 Rev. A. Cammenga 2:00 Ds. A. Petter

7:00 Rev. H. De Wolf (Isa. 14:32)

"God's Zion Our Refuge"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Due to the meetings of Classis and other related matters that required our attention, we were unable to call on our sick and shut-ins this past week. Have you thought about visiting a sick or shut-in brother or sister? Why not do it when you think of it. They appreciate it and there is a blessing in it for you. "I was a stranger and ye took me in: naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick and ye visited me . . . in as much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Catechism classes will resume their meetings this week. We request that the parents study the schedule carefully so that the children will be sent at the proper time. We will also appreciate it if the parents would take special note of the book that is to be used by your child. Many of you perhaps have some of these books in your home, so if you have a book for your child will you please inform him so that he will not have to buy a new one. We trust that in this coming season of instruction the parents will put forth special effort to see that the children attend regularly and that they know their lessons. The proper instruction of your child depends first of all upon your cooperation. May the Lord bless all our efforts and the instruction which our children shall receive.

4:00 P.M. Ages 13 & 14 "Easy Steps In Doctrine" MONDAY 7:00 P.M. Ages 15 & 16 "Heidelberg Catechism" TUESDAY 4:00 P.M. Age 12 "Old Testament History for Seniors" 7:00 P.M. Ages 17 & 18 "Essentials of Reformed Doctrine" WEDNESDAY 7:15 P.M. 19 and over "Essentials of Reformed Doctrine" SATURDAY 9:00 A.M. Ages 10 & 11 "New Testament History for Seniors" 9:00 A.M. Ages 8 & 9 "Old Testament History for Juniors" 9:45 A.M. Ages 6 & 7 "Bible Stories for Beginners"

A class will be held for those who desire to make confession of faith in the near future. This class will meet Monday evenings at 7:45.

We are sorry to report that the Classis refused to seat Rev. De Wolf and Elder G. Sikkema as the legal delegates of the First Prot. Ref. Church. Your consistory submitted a letter of information in which it informed the Classis about the illegal actions of those who have separated from us but all to no avail. This means that the Classis has taken its stand with the schismatic group and thereby supports them in their actions. However, all the delegates were not in agreement with this decision. The Revs. Blankespoor, Knott and Kok stated that they could not recognize the Rev. Hanko and G. Bylsma as the legal delegates of First Church, as the Classis demanded of them. Consequently they too were unseated. It is indeed a sad thing when justice is no longer respected and men do as they please. But let us not grow weary in the struggle. Let us be strong in the Lord and trust in Him, for we know that all these things are in His hand. He will lead us and will

make also these things to work for our good. Pray much. Our strength is in the Lord and of Him is our expectation.

The Consistory will meet Monday evening at 7:45. Baptismal cards may be obtained at this meeting.

The Board of Deacons will meet Tuesday at 7:30.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attention Ladies— The Ladies' League meeting will be held in Kalamazoo Mich. on Thursday, October 22 at 8 o'clock. Rev. E. Knott will address us on the topic "Fruitfulness." Let us all try to be there and enjoy an evening of Christian fellowship.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Bible discussion will be taken from Exodus 16:6-22. Remember the canned goods for the Holland Home and Pine Rest Christian Association. Also the donations for our Harvest Sale.

The Men's Society will meet tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. Bible discussion from Genesis 29:12. For the after recess program Rev. A. Cammenga will address the meeting on the theme, "What happened at Classis East."

The Protestant Ref. Male Chorus will hold its first meeting Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the Adams St. Christian School.

Attention-The ninth grade of Adams St. Christian School is again sponsoring a birthday calendar. Anyone desiring to place a birthday date, buy a calendar, or place an advertisement, contact Theressa Knott, Phone CH 1-1418.

The Adams St. School Board will meet Thursday evening at 7:30.

The Christian High Circle will present Rev. John Everington with beautiful scenic pictures of Florida, Friday, October 16, at 8 o'clock in the High School auditorium. No tickets are required but an offering will be received.

Parents of all Freshmen students at Grand Rapids Christian High are requested to reserve Wednesday, October 21, for Open House at the School. Opportunity will be given to meet the teachers and become acquainted with the school.

The Baxter Christian School Board will meet Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The Finance Committee of Baxter School will be at the school on Monday evening from 7 to 9 to receive tuition and accept gifts.

C.P.H. Circle No. 2 will meet at the Eastern Ave., Christian Reformed Church on Monday evening.

C.P.H. Circle No. 7 will meet Tuesday evening at the Neland Ave., Christian Reformed Church.

FAMILY VISITATION

WEDNESDAY-BOUWMAN-SIKKEMA 7:00 J. Cammenga Sr.

7:45 L. Yonker 8:30 J. Schipper

9:15 Miss G. Elso

THURSDAY-

BASTIANSE-STUURSMA 7:15 Mrs. H. Bouwman

7:45 J. C. Dertien 8:30 Chas. Diepstra

9:45 J. Hamstra Jr.

DYKSTRA-MULDER

7:30 A. Docter 8:15 H. Knott Jr.

9:00 C. Knott

FRIDAY-

DYKSTRA-MULDER 7:30 A. Brummel

8:15 F. Doezema

9:00 Willard Doezema