

## THIS IS THE LORD'S DAY - January 18, 2009

<p><b>MORNING SERVICE- 10:00 a.m.</b>  <b>The First Commandment</b>                  I. What It Forbids                  II. What It Requires                  III. What It Promises  <b>Scripture:</b> Isaiah 46  <b>Text:</b> Lord's Day 34, Q&amp;A 94-95  <b>Psalter #'s:</b> 258, 322, 15, 308</p>	<p><b>EVENING SERVICE - 6:00 p.m.</b>  <b>Manna</b>                  I. Bread From Heaven                  II. Typical Bread                  III. Bread for the Soul  <b>Scripture:</b> Exodus 16  <b>Text:</b> Exodus 16:1-35  <b>Psalter #'s:</b> 400, 289, 213, 368</p>
<p><b>OFFERINGS Today:</b> a.m. General Fund, Benevolent Fund                  p.m. General Fund, Trinitarian Bible Society  <b>Next Week:</b> Benevolent Fund, Covenant Christian School</p> <p><b>USHERS Today:</b> Raphael Neff, Aaron Tolsma  <b>Next Week:</b> Casey Porter, Bart Zandstra</p> <p><b>NURSERY Today:</b> a.m. Mrs. Lynn VanderMeulen, Monica Buitter                  p.m. Mrs. Carolyn Tolsma  <b>Next Week:</b> a.m. Mrs. Rachel Dykstra, Caira VanderMeulen                  p.m. Mrs. Karla Zandstra</p> <p><b>TRANSPORTATION Today:</b> Mr. H. Buitter      <b>Next Week:</b> Mr. H. Kuiper</p>	

We welcome all who worship with us today and pray that you might be blessed under the preaching of the Gospel

### Congregational Announcements

**Preparatory:** Tonight is preparatory for the celebration of the Lord's Supper next Lord's Day, D.V.

**From the Consistory:** At the recent Consistory meeting, the following were elected to Consistory offices: Mr. Henry VanderMeulen, Vice-President; Mr. John Heystek, Clerk; Mr. Herman Molenkamp, Vice-all; Mr. Matt Moore, General Treasurer; Mr. Stephen Dykstra, Treasurer of the Deaconate.

**Newsletter:** The church newsletter is available in the narthex. One copy per family, please!

**Singing at the Health Care Center:** "Singing at the Christian Health Care Center is again THIS WEEK. We welcome you to join us there this year, the 3rd Tuesday of each month, from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. Psalms and hymns as anthems of praise! We invite you to share that half-hour of each month this year. Could you do that? Also you young people? Rest assured that those who live at the Center will not soon forget your short visit and singing in their midst....but neither will you! The volunteer coordinator at the center sends a short note of thanks for our tradition of caring with these words:" The gift of music that you bring on Tuesday evenings is such a blessing! How wonderful to hear hymns at bedtime." This coming Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m."

**Young People's Society:** Please come prepared for tonight's meeting, as we continue to discuss our topic, "Seeking God's Will for My Life". We begin tonight with questions 11 and 12 of the study sheets, discussing what role one's *happiness* and *money* should play in determining a career. (See Rom. 14:7-9, in Scripture principles section; also see Psalm 37:4-5). Come ready also with new fund-raising ideas. Fund-raisers that strengthen us as Young People and promote fellowship in the body of Christ are best!

### Our Church Family

Please continue to pray for Mrs. Jenny Tolsma and others of the Tolsma family. Mr. John Tolsma, Sr. has "entered into his rest" (Hebrews 4:9-10); but we and the family are yet on this earth, with all its worries and cares. Pray that God might grant peace, comfort, and rest in His ways.

*"Thank you to everyone who shared our special day with us. We appreciate your thoughts and prayers as we begin our lives together. Our new address is 9505 Assink Road Lynden, WA 98264 and our main phone number is 360-815-0837. Thank you, Sean & Alicia VanderMeulen"*

### Requested Announcements

**Family Conference:** Families, couples, and singles: Plan now to attend the 2009 Family Conference hosted by First PRC in Edmonton, Alberta on July 3,4,5. This theme is "Calvin and the Christian Family", with Prof. Engelsma, Prof. Gritters and Rev. John Marcus as speakers. For more information or to

register, contact us at [www.edmontonprc.org/2009FamilyConference.htm](http://www.edmontonprc.org/2009FamilyConference.htm) or phone 1-780-470-0311.

**Retreat:** Registration forms for the Loveland PRC (CO) Young Adult's Retreat can be downloaded at [http://www.prc.org/current/News\\_Update/retreatregform20081.htm](http://www.prc.org/current/News_Update/retreatregform20081.htm). The retreat is March 16-19; registration forms will be accepted through February 7. For questions, e-mail [lovelandyaretreat@yahoo.com](mailto:lovelandyaretreat@yahoo.com).

**Teacher Needed:** Trinity Christian High School in Hull, Iowa, seeks to add a full time teacher for the 2009-2010 school year. We desire a teacher with math credentials but will consider all worthy candidates. Contact administrator Jim Regnerus at [TCHS@hickorytech.net](mailto:TCHS@hickorytech.net), 1-712-439-1921. P.O. Box 562, Hull, IA 51239 or Perry Van Egdome at [vanegdom@hickorytech.net](mailto:vanegdom@hickorytech.net), 1-712-726-3545.

**Teacher Needed:** The Northwest Iowa Protestant Reformed School in Doon, IA, is seeking to fill our administrator / 6, 7 & 8 grade teacher position. Experienced teachers/administrators, new graduates, or those teachers who would be willing to obtain their administration certification are encouraged to apply. Interested parties may contact Floyd Van Den Top at [fvdt@alliancecom.net](mailto:fvdt@alliancecom.net) or (712) 473-2556 or Mike Van Bommel at [milovb@hickorytech.net](mailto:milovb@hickorytech.net) or (712) 726-3151.

**Teacher Needed:** The Protestant Reformed School in Wingham, Ontario plans to open September 2009, Lord willing. We are seeking an elementary teacher to teach a class of 16 students of grades K-6. Volunteer assistance will be available. We are also seeking a teacher for a class of 9 students of grades 7-12. Teaching will be assisted by online curriculum for the upper grades. For more information contact board vice president Mr. Harvey Kikkert at (519)523-4823 or email [hkikkert@hurontel.on.ca](mailto:hkikkert@hurontel.on.ca)

**Administrator Needed:** Adams Christian School (MI) is in need of an Administrator for the 2009/10 year. If Interested, contact board vice president, Tim Block at 616-813-6015 or at [tim@mingerink.com](mailto:tim@mingerink.com)

**Teacher Needed:** The Board for P.R. Special Education (MI) is seeking a P.R. teacher for the 2009-2010 school year. Although the Board would prefer a teacher who is qualified to teach children with cognitive impairments, those with degrees in Learning Disabilities will be considered. For information, contact Education Committee chairman, Dave Rau, at 453-2337 or email him at [daverau@comcast.net](mailto:daverau@comcast.net).

### Our Church in Fellowship

**Young People's Society** meets tonight, continuing with study on the topic: "Seeking God's Will For My Life". Complete your study sheets! Carissa, Drew, Ed, and Caleb serve.

**Young Adult's Society** meets next week. Servers are Sean and Alicia, Raphael and Joanna

**Catechism:** Tuesday - 8:30 a.m. O.T. Bible Stories: Lesson 15, memory work  
 9:15 a.m. O.T. History for Juniors: Lesson 15, memory work, written work  
 10:30 a.m. O.T. History for Seniors: Lesson 15, memory verse, written work  
 Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. Heidelberg Catechism: Lesson 37, written work  
 8:00 p.m. Essentials: Lesson 21

**Bible Study:** Tuesday 1:30 p.m. James 4:11 (at the parsonage)  
 Thursday 8:00 p.m. II Peter 3:11-ff (in church basement; snacks - Linda)

### Calendar of the Week

Sunday	after evening service	Young People's Society
Tuesday	morning	Catechism
Tuesday	1:30 p.m.	Bible Study
Wednesday	evening	Catechism
Thursday	8:00 p.m.	Bible Study

### Church News

**Call:** Doon PRC (IA) has called Rev. Smit to be missionary to the Philippines.

**Call:** Calvary PRC (IA) has called Rev. Eriks (Hudsonville PRC, MI).

**Trio:** Byron Center PRC (MI) calls from a trio of Rev. R. Kleyn, Rev. Haak, and Rev. Slopsema.

**Tucson News:** Rev. Kortering's plans to begin working on behalf of the DMC in Tucson this week have been postponed due to problems with his throat. The saints there are still worshipping together on Sundays in one of their homes. More information is available at [www.tucsonprotestantreformed.org](http://www.tucsonprotestantreformed.org). We pray that God will enable us to provide extended supply in the coming months.

### Quotes to Consider

**To Die Is Gain:** *"For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." (Phil. 1:21) Are you, am I, prepared to die? Do we know that, for us, death is gain? Then we must also be able to say, "To live is Christ". Whatever is contrary to God's Word in doctrine or in life must go. Whatever desire I have that is not really in the service of Jesus Christ must go. Christ must be the very reason why I live. ...No one can say that to die is gain, if he is not able also to say "for me to live is Christ". -C. Haak*

**Walk Humbly:** *"Great Christian...You are now sanctified, you are quickened, you are justified; but what would you have been today if it had not been for the interposition of the divine hand? There is not a crime you might not have committed; there is not a folly into which you might not have run. Even murder itself you might have committed if grace had not kept you. You shall be like the angels; but you would have been like the devil if you had not been changed by grace! Therefore, never be proud - all the garments you have are from above; rags were your only heritage. ...Go, hang your pride upon the gallows, as high as Haman! Hang it there to rot, and you stand beneath, and execrate it to all eternity; for sure of all things most to be cursed and despised is the pride of a Christian. He, of all men, has ten thousand times more reason than any other to be humble, and walk lowly with his God, and kindly and humbly toward his fellow creature. (Micah 6:8)." -C. Spurgeon*

**Gospel Perversion:** *"Do you imagine that the Gospel is magnified or God glorified by going to worldlings and telling them that they 'may be saved at this moment by simply accepting Christ as their personal Savior' while they are wedded to their idols and their hearts are still in love with sin? If I do so, I tell them a lie, pervert the Gospel, insult Christ, and turn the grace of God into lasciviousness." -A. Pink*

**Amusements:** *"Amusements are proper, both as to kind and degree--just so far as they make us better Christians. Whenever they become hindrances to us in our Christian living or in our holy walk--they are harmful, however innocent they may be in themselves. How do your amusements influence your spiritual life? They may be very pleasing to you. They may afford great gratification. But what is their effect on you, as a Christian? Are they hindering your love for Christ, and your growth in grace? We ought to be honest enough with ourselves, to answer these questions truthfully, and then act accordingly." -J. Miller*

**Reformed Witness Hour:** KARI 550AM Sunday @ 8:00 p.m.

January 18 - "The Power and Necessity of Preaching" (Romans 1:16) Rev. R. Kleyn