

THIS IS THE LORD'S DAY - January 20, 2008

<p>MORNING SERVICE- 10:00 a.m. God's Heritage I. The Meaning II. The Certainty III. The Purpose Scripture: Psalm 16 Text: Ephesians 1:11-12 Psalter #'s: 129, 27, 204, 30</p>	<p>EVENING SERVICE - 6:00 p.m. Creeping In Unaware I. The Secret Entrance II. The Ungodly Men III. The Eternal Ordination Scripture: Galatians 1 Text: Jude 1:4 Psalter #'s: 48, 20, 13, 9</p>
<p>OFFERINGS: Today: a.m. General Fund, Benevolence p.m. General Fund, Trinitarian Bible Society Next Week: Benevolence Fund, Covenant Christian School</p>	
<p>USHERS: Today: Daniel VanDenTop, Nathan Buitter Next Week: Ed DeBoer, Raphael Neff</p>	
<p>NURSERY Today: a.m. Mrs. Heidi Moore, Erika Heystek p.m. Mrs. Judy Buitter, Amanda Heystek Next Week: a.m. Mrs. Carolyn Tolsma, Lisa Heystek p.m. Mrs. Lynn VanderMeulen, Ciarra Flint</p>	
<p>TRANSPORTATION: VanDyken's - Today: Mr. H. Buitter Next Week: Mr. H. VanderMeulen</p>	

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

Congregational Announcements

Welcome!: We welcome Rev. Houck to our fellowship again this morning. We thank Rev. Houck for preaching for us and pray for God's blessing on him as he leaves us this week.

Lord's Supper: The Consistory has postponed the Lord's Supper one week, to be celebrated February 3. Preparatory will be next week Sunday, January 27, the Lord willing.

Consistory Meeting: The Consistory meets next week Monday, January 28, at 7:30 p.m., for their regular monthly meeting.

Consistory Organization: At the organizational meeting, the following men were elected officers within the Council: Vice-President: Herman Molenkamp; Clerk: Henry Buitter; Vice-all: John Heystek; Treasurer of Diaconate: John Tolsma; General Treasurer: Matt. Moore.

From the Transportation Committee: The Transportation Committee extends a word of appreciation to those who helped provide for the special transportation needs of the congregation in the year 2007. Also please be assured that those whom you have helped in this important way are very grateful for your efforts on their behalf so that week by week they may find themselves in the going up of the congregation. If any others of you are able and willing to take a turn at driving, even once in two months, please mention this to Mr. Kuiper. Even in this way may we experience the joy of bearing one another's burdens.

Requested Announcements

2008 Young People's Convention: Young People, make plans to attend the 2008 Convention! The Convention is sponsored by Byron Center PRC (MI) and will be held, the Lord willing, July 14-18 at Covenant Hills Camp, near Flint, Michigan. The theme of the Convention is "Safe From the Snare", from Proverbs 29:25. Speeches will be presented by Mr. Dan VanDyke, 9th grade teacher at Heritage Christian School (MI), on "The Snare" (*Why are there sins you can easily confess to God but would be very difficult to share with another person?*); by Rev. Spronk on "The Safety" (*Who is God? How does this knowledge effect the way I see myself?*); and by Rev. VanOverloop on "The Freedom to Serve" (*What are you doing to serve Christ in your church and school?*) Go to the convention website for more information: www.prcconvention.com

2008 Young People's Convention: Confessing members, please volunteer your time and help your young people by chaperoning the 2008 YP convention (July 14-18). Application forms are now available

for you at the convention web site! (www.prcconvention.com). We hope to hear from you soon.

From the RFPA: The book-of-the-month special for January is *Sin and Grace* by Rev. Henry Danhof and Rev. Herman Hoeksema, for \$14.97 (half off the price). Other specials include *In the Sanctuary*, a series of sermons on the Lord's Prayer, by Rev. Herman Hoeksema, for \$4.00; *Better to Marry*, a discussion of sex and marriage from I Corinthians 6-7, by Prof. David Engelsma, for \$7.00; *Covenant of God and the Children of Believers*, by Prof. Engelsma, free, for only the pre-paid shipping cost of \$2.50. Check out the RFPA website for more specials and information: www.rfpa.org.

Conference Planned: The Protestant Reformed Seminary is making plans to host a conference in the fall of 2009 in connection with the 500th anniversary of the birth of John Calvin. The theme of the conference will be "After 500 Years: John Calvin for the Reformed Churches Today." The conference is scheduled for September 3-5 (Thursday afternoon through Saturday morning), D.V. Speeches are planned on topics focusing on the great reformer's life, teaching, and importance for the church today. This advance notice is given so that any who have an interest in attending may be able to plan for it.

Teacher Needed: Eastside Christian School of Grand Rapids, Michigan is seeking applicants for a new administrator to start this fall, D.V. Inquiries or resumes may be e-mailed to Dan Monsma, dan@monsmalandscape.com, 616.293.4120 or Erin Windemuller, windemuller@sbcglobal.net.

Teacher Needed: Faith Christian School in Randolph, WI. seeks applicants for a combined 1st - 2nd grade classroom starting in the 2008/2009 school year. Interested applicants are encouraged to contact Mr. John Huizenga, administrator, at (920) 326-6186 or principal@randolphfcs.org. Resumes may also be sent to Mr. Huizenga at Faith Christian School, 611 North Columbus St., Randolph, WI 53956.

Teacher Needed: The Genesis PR School of Lacombe, Alberta is currently seeking applicants to fill the position of Grades 1 - 3 for the 2008/2009 school year. Interested applicants should contact Board President, Mr. Hilgard Goosen at 403-598-6477 or e-mail Error! Hyperlink reference not valid. for more information.

Our Church in Fellowship

Young Adult's Society meets tonight after the evening service. Study will be on "Prayer" from Psalm 116:2 and Psalm 22:2 (pages 32 and 176 in the book). Troy serves; Casey closes in prayer.

Young People's Society meets next week after the evening service. Study will be from chapter 6 of *Jesus Beauty Shining in You*, on the fruit of the spirit "Goodness". Luke introduces the chapter; Brant, Carissa, Drew, and Jeanetta serve.

Catechism: Tuesday: 8:30 - 9:15 N.T. Bible Stories: Lesson 14 and memory verse
 9:15 - 10:00 N.T. History for Juniors: Lesson 14, memory verse, written work
 10:30 - 11:15 N.T. History for Seniors: Lesson 14, memory verse, written work
 Wednesday: 7:00 - 7:55 Heidelberg Catechism: Lesson 14, written work
 8:00 - 8:55 Essentials: Lesson 8

Bible Study: Tuesday 1:30 p.m. I Corinthians 15 (in the parsonage)
 Thursday 8:00 p.m. I Peter 1:8-ff (in the basement; server: Judy)

Calendar of the Week

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

Church News

Call: Doon PRC (IA) called Rev. Laning (Hope PRC, MI) to be missionary to the Philippines.

Call: Calvary PRC (IA) called Rev. Haak (Georgetown PRC, MI) to be their first pastor.

News: Rev. Rodney Miersma of Loveland PRC (CO) suffered a minor stroke a week ago. He is expected to make a full recovery. Please pray for him and our Loveland congregation.

Quotes to Consider

Christian Sympathy: "Sympathy in one another's joys and sorrows costs little, and yet is a grace of

most mighty power. ...A kind word of congratulation or consolation is seldom forgotten. The heart that is warmed by good tidings, or chilled by affliction, is peculiarly susceptible, and sympathy to such a heart is often more precious than gold. "Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep." (Romans 12:15)" -J. Ryle

Sin and Sinners: "Some try to distinguish between sin and the sinner: "God hates sin; loves the sinner." Such separation isn't possible. God sends sinners to hell; they, not their sin, are punished eternally. Christ, not the sin He bore, suffered and died on the cross. ...It does no good to obscure facts with trite sayings. Sinners need forgiveness." -J. Adams

Christian Forbearance: "We must not keep our selfish suspicions ever on the watch-tower or at the windows, looking out for neglects, discourtesies, wrongs, or grievances of any kind. We must not be hasty to think evil of others. We had better be blind, not perceiving at all the seeming rudeness or insult. It is well not to hear all that is said, or, if hear we must, to be as though we heard not." -J. Miller

Teach: "The glorious character of God, the requirements of His holy law, the exceeding sinfulness of sin, the wondrous gift of His Son, and the fearful doom which is the certain portion of all who despise and reject Him, are to be brought repeatedly before the minds of the little ones. "They are too young to understand such things" is the devil's argument to deter you from discharging your duty." -A. Pink

Spiritually Lifeless?: "If there is no life in your spiritual activities, look at yourself! Are you lifeless? Are the world and the things of this world more important to you than your Savior? Do you love the Scriptures with a holy relish? Do you read the Scriptures with deep and solemn conviction that God is speaking to you? Do you treasure them up in your heart? Do you pray? Do you have dealings with Jesus Christ personally in your life? If the answer to any of these is "No," do not look everywhere else, but look to yourself and repent." -C. Haak

Prayer for Watchfulness: "Grant, Almighty God, that as thou shinest on us by Thy Word, we may not be blind at midnight, nor willfully seek darkness, and thus lull our minds asleep: but may we be roused daily by Thy Words, and may we stir up ourselves more and more to fear Thy Name and thus present ourselves and all our pursuits, as a sacrifice to Thee, that thou mayest peaceably rule, and perpetually dwell in us, until thou gatherest us to Thy celestial habitation, where there is reserved for us eternal rest and glory through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen." -J. Calvin

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

January 20 - "Made Free by the Spirit of Life in Jesus Christ" (Romans 8:2) Rev. C. Haak