

THIS IS THE LORD'S DAY - February 17, 2008

<p>MORNING SERVICE- 10:00 a.m. Our Need for a Mediator I. Shown II. Explained III. Supplied Scripture: Deuteronomy 5 Text: Lord's Day 4, Q&A 12-15 Psalter #'s: 94, 312, 80, 163</p>	<p>EVENING SERVICE - 6:00 p.m. Jehovah's Suffering Servant: Identified and Called I. His Name II. His Election III. His Obedience Scripture: Isaiah 41 Text: Isaiah 41:8-10 Psalter #'s: 377, 80, 109, 243</p>
<p>OFFERINGS: Today: a.m. General Fund, Benevolence p.m. General Fund, Genesis PR School of Lacombe Next Week: Benevolence Fund, Covenant Christian School</p>	
<p>USHERS: Today: Ed DeBoer, Nathan Buiters Next Week: Raphael Neff, Aaron Tolsma</p>	
<p>NURSERY Today: a.m. Mrs. Charlene DeBoer, Cassi Flint p.m. Mrs. Laura Heystek, Caira VanderMeulen Next Week: a.m. Rhonda Zandstra, Amanda Heystek p.m. Mrs. Janny Molenkamp, Erika Heystek</p>	
<p>TRANSPORTATION: VanDyken's - Today: Mr. H. VanderMeulen Next Week: 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

Confession of Faith: Mandy Hanko appeared before the Consistory January 28 and gave a good confession of her faith in Christ and a clear testimony of His work in her life. If there are no objections, Mandy's public confession will take place next week Sunday, February 24, at the morning service. We thank God for this evidence of the work of His Spirit among us

Consistory Meeting: The Consistory meets next week Monday, February 25, at 7:30 p.m.

Our Church Family

Mr. Jack DenHartog was moved last night to the Christian Health Care Center in Lynden for therapy and rehabilitation. We thank God for this evidence of progress in his condition. "The Lord, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee..." (Deut. 31:8)

Requested Announcements

CCS Ladies Aid: You are invited to a Family Game Night and small craft and baked good sale hosted by the Covenant Christian Ladies Aid on Friday evening, March 7 at 7:00 p.m. at Covenant Christian School. Bring your favorite games! If you would like to donate baked goods or small craft items, please contact Lynn Vander Meulen, Laura Heystek, or Mary Flint

Retreat for Seniors: The Loveland PRC (CO) adults are working on plans for an adult retreat for seniors in the Fall (October 1-6) of 2009, the Lord willing. The young adults have their retreats, Why not one for the older adults? The theme for the retreat would be "Seasons of our lives as pictured on the four seasons of the year." I would be held at the YMCA in the beautiful Rocky Mountain National Park at the height of elk bugling and the Aspen changing season. Due to the popularity of the locations at that time of the year, your interest to attend must be given within the next two weeks. Please call or e-mail Dave Poortinga (970-667-9059 dnlpoortinga@juno.com) or Rev. R. Miersma (970-667-1347 rmiersma@comcast.net). After sufficient interest is shown, more information will follow.

Summer Class: Mark your calendar now for the summer class series hosted by Hope PRC (MI) Reformed Witness Committee, led by Professor Hanko. This year the topic to be discussed is "The Sanctifying Power of Suffering". The dates for this summer class series are July 1, 8, 15, and 22. The classes are held at Hope Church at 7:30 in the evening. We hope to see you there.

Thank You: As the Special Education Drive comes to a close, we thank everyone for their generosity.

Our goal has almost been met, so we ask you prayerfully continue to consider this need. Thanks again.

From the Reformed Witness Hour Committee: The Reformed Witness Hour Committee expresses sincere appreciation for your prayers and offerings to the RWH during the year 2007. God is using this radio and Internet broadcast, as evidenced by the many interested responses we receive and publish each month. Because gifts from our churches do not cover all expenses, we anticipate a \$17,000 shortfall in 2008. Please remember this need as you prayerfully consider your important place in spreading the Gospel of Christ through the Reformed Witness Hour broadcast. Thank you.

Teacher Needed: Adams Christian School is accepting applications for an additional first grade teacher for the 08'-09' school year. Interested persons can contact the Administrator, Dave Harbach @ 616-531-0748 or Education Committee Chairman Tim Block @ 616-813-6015.

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.

Teacher Needed: Heritage Christian School is accepting applications for a 1st grade teacher for the 2008/2009 school year. Questions should be directed to Mr. Brian Kuiper (616-669-1773 or bkuiper@hchr.org) or Education Committee Chairman Mr. Bernie Kamps (616-453-9773 or BernieK@Kampspallets.com). Please mail resumes directly to the school.

Teacher Needed: Trinity Christian High School (the new Protestant Reformed high school to be located in Northwest Iowa) seeks applicants for administrator. This position will be combined with a teaching position. Interested parties can contact Chester Hunter 712-726-3381 or [Error! Hyperlink reference not valid.](#) or Alvin Bylsma 712-439-2569. We would like interested parties to contact us by February 27.

Our Church in Fellowship

Young Adult's Society meets tonight after the evening service. Study will be from Psalm 25 (pp 154-155 of the devotional) Bart and Rhonda serve; Bart closes in prayer.

Young People's Society meets next week. Study will be from chapter 8 of *Jesus Beauty Shining in You*, "Meekness". Edward introduces the chapter; Monica, Ryan, and Cassi serve

Catechism: Tuesday: 8:30 - 9:15 N.T. Bible Stories: Lesson 16
 9:15 - 10:00 N.T. History for Juniors: Lesson 16
 10:30 - 11:15 N.T. History for Seniors: Lesson 16
 Wednesday: 7:00 - 7:55 Heidelberg Catechism: Lesson 19, written work
 8:00 - 8:55 Essentials: Lesson 10

Bible Study: Tuesday 1:30 p.m. I Corinthians 16:1-ff (in the parsonage)
 Thursday 8:00 p.m. I Peter 2:4-ff (in the basement; server: Janny)

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

Trio: Doon PRC (IA) will call from a trio of Rev. Eriks (Hudsonville PRC, MI), Rev. W. Langarak (Southeast PRC, MI), and Rev. D. Klein (First PRC, Holland, MI) to be missionary to the Philippines.

Trio: Calvary PRC (IA) will call from a trio of Rev. Kuiper (Randolph PRC, WI), Rev. Slopsema (First PRC, Grand Rapids, MI), and Rev. VanderWal (Hope PRC, CA).

Quotes to Consider

In God's Hand: *"Our God sits not still as a listless spectator of our griefs, suffering us to be drifted like waifs upon the waters of circumstance; but is busily occupying Himself at all times for the defense and perfecting of His children. He leads us that He may bring us home to the place where His flock shall rest for ever. What a bliss this is! Our times, in all their needs and aspects, are in God's hand, and therefore God is always caring for us. How near it brings God to us, and us to God! Child of God, go not thou tomorrow into the field, lamenting that God is not there! He will bless thy going out. Come not home to thy chamber, crying, "Oh, that I knew where I might find Him!" He will bless thy coming in. Go not to thy bed, dreaming that thou art left an orphan; neither wake up in the morning with a sense of loneliness upon thee: thou art not alone, for the Father is with thee." "Christ leads me through no darker rooms, Than He went through before; He that into God's Kingdom comes, Must enter by this door." -C. Spurgeon*

The Power of Truth: *"Truth is not the feeble thing which men often think they can afford to disparage. Truth is power; let it be treated and trusted as such. We need not discuss the question as to the frequent divorcement of head and heart, in the matter of knowledge. Let us beware of undervaluing either; but still more let us beware of that unscriptural, unphilosophical sentimentalism which affirms that the heart may be all right when the head is all wrong." -H. Bonar*

Question: *"...the question which matters in our lives is: Will God accept me? Will God accept my lax attitude towards sin? Will God tolerate my leaving my family night after night to go out with the guys? Will God accept my secret enjoyment of pornography? Will God approve of the way I treat my neighbor? I can, perhaps, justify myself before men. Perhaps I can cover my sins in the eyes of my family and loved ones. But the fundamental question is: How am I living before God? He is the Judge of heaven and earth." -A. Brummel*

Love for One Another: *"Gushy people are proverbially superficial and fickle. Those less demonstrative are more stable. Still waters run deep. Spiritual love always aims at the good of its object. It is exercised in edifying conversation, in seeking to strengthen and confirm faith, exalt God's Word, and promote piety. The more another magnifies Christ the more should he be endeared to us. We do not mean mere glib talk about Christ, but that overflowing of the heart toward Him which compels the mouth to speak of Him. We should love the saints for the truth's sake, for being unashamed to avow their faith in such a day as this. Those who reflect most of the image of Christ and carry about with them most of His fragrance should be the ones we love most." -A. Pink*

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

February 17 - "The Faithful Witness #3: Our Limitations" (Eph. 4:17-18) Rev. C. Haak