

## THIS IS THE LORD'S DAY - August 17, 2008

<b>MORNING SERVICE- 10:00 a.m.</b> <b>Our Heavenly Advocate</b> I. Who He Is II. What He Does III. How He Does It <b>Scripture:</b> I John 2 <b>Text:</b> Lord's Day 18, Q&A 46-49 <b>Psalter #'s:</b> 92, 129, 59, 303	<b>EVENING SERVICE - 6:00 p.m.</b> <b>Abounding in the Grace of Giving</b> I. Generous Giving II. Gracious Giving III. Blessed Giving <b>Scripture:</b> II Corinthians 8 <b>Text:</b> II Corinthians 8:1-8 <b>Psalter #'s:</b> 356, 125, 309, 383
<b>OFFERINGS Today:</b> a.m. General Fund, Benevolent Fund p.m. General Fund, Church Evangelism <b>Next Week:</b> Benevolence Fund, Beacon Lights <b>USHERS Today:</b> Casey Porter, Bart Zandstra <b>Next Week:</b> Daniel VanDenTop, Nathan Buitter <b>NURSERY Today:</b> a.m. Mrs. Judy Buitter, Ciarra Flint p.m. Mrs. Carolyn Tolsma <b>Next Week:</b> a.m. Mrs. Rachel Dykstra, Erika Heystek p.m. Mrs. Charlene DeBoer <b>TRANSPORTATION Today:</b> Mr. H. VanderMeulen <b>Next Week:</b> Mr. H. Buitter	

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

### Congregational Announcements

**Church Picnic Date:** The annual church picnic will take place, D.V., **this week Saturday, August 23**, at the shelter (southern part of parking lot) at the Bender Ball Fields in Lynden. Dinner begins at 5:00 p.m. **sharp**, with hamburgers and hot dogs provided. The games will begin after dinner. The shelter is reserved for 4:00 until dark so those who wish to come early can play a game of baseball. Families with names beginning from A - K are asked to bring a dessert and L - Z are asked to bring a "family-size" salad. Bring your own table service and lawn chairs if you have them. There will be seating there for meal time for some families with young children and our older members. Hope to see you there!

### Requested Announcements

**CCS School Cleaning:** The annual cleaning of the grounds at Covenant Christian School is scheduled for this week Saturday morning, August 23, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Come and lend a hand!

**Family Conference:** The First Protestant Reformed Church in Edmonton, Alberta is hosting a family conference July 2-5, 2009, on the topic of Calvin and the Christian Family Life. Plan now to attend! Check out our website [www.edmontonprc.org](http://www.edmontonprc.org) and more details to follow.

**CD's Available:** The summer class, "The Sanctifying Power of Suffering" is now available on DVD or CD's. To obtain your set, send your request to [hoperwc@gmail.com](mailto:hoperwc@gmail.com)

**From the DMC:** The Domestic Mission Committee sponsored Missions Conference takes place September 8-9 at Southwest PRC (MI) at 7:30 PM. On Monday evening, Rev. den Hartog will bring an inspirational message to encourage us in our interest and zeal for the work of missions. Prof. Gritters will follow with a "Critique and Evaluation of the History of PRC Mission work". On Tuesday evening, Rev. Bruinsma will present "What we can learn from the History of Reformed Missions". He will be followed by Rev. Kortering who will speak on "The need for Special Training for the work of Missions". The whole conference will focus on the work of our own denomination and will direct its attention to critiquing, evaluating and encouraging us in the work of missions. Anyone who may be interested in hearing these informative speeches is invited to attend.

### Church News

**Call:** Rev. VanOverloop declined the call from Doon PRC (IA) to be missionary to the Philippines.

**Call:** Rev. R. Kleyn (Trinity PRC, MI) declined the call from Providence PRC (MI). Their new trio is

Rev. Laning, Candidate Bleyenbergh, and Rev. VanderWal.

**Call:** Grace PRC (MI) has called Rev. Slopsema (First PRC, Grand Rapids, MI).

**Trio:** Calvary PRC (IA) has a new trio of Candidate Bleyenbergh, Rev. Hanko, and Rev. W. Langerak.

### Quotes to Consider

**"The Healthy Christian":** *"The healthy Christian is not necessarily the extrovert, the ebullient Christian, but the Christian who has a sense of God's presence stamped deep on his soul, who trembles at God's Word, who lets it dwell in him richly by constant meditation upon it, and who tests and reforms his daily life in response to it."* -J. Packer

**No Compromise:** *"We see that on every side today, in every sphere of life, compromise - the church compromising with the world. ... That happens also in our own lives. We can want to dull the sharp points so that we can fit in and feel a little easier with the world on the Sabbath day, with dress, or with entertainment. God says, "Don't put your neck in the yoke of an unbelieving world. Don't take on their point of view. Don't use their language. Don't seek their goals. Don't desire to be like them." Yes, you must come into contact with them. They must see you. God intends the church to be seen on the earth. And He intends you, as a Christian, to be seen on this earth. He wants you to be seen in your work, in your family, in your vacation, in your neighborhood. But He wants you to be seen as united to Him and not filling the mold of the world. Do not compromise with the world."* -C. Haak

**Trust:** *"Trust is not a passive state of mind. It is a vigorous act of the soul by which we lay hold on the promises of God and cling to them despite the adversity that at times seeks to overwhelm us."* -J. Bridges

**A Christian Home:** *"Sadly, the goal which most parents have for their home--is to have as good and showy a house as they can afford, furnished in as rich a style as their means will warrant, and then to live in it as comfortably as they are able, without too much exertion or self-denial. But the true idea of a Christian home, is that it is a place for spiritual growth. It is a place for the parents themselves to grow--to grow into beauty of character, to grow in spiritual refinement, in knowledge, in strength, in wisdom, in patience, gentleness, kindness, and all the Christian graces and virtues. It is a place for children to grow--to grow into physical vigor and health, and to be trained in all that shall make them true and noble men and women. A true home is set up and all its life ordered--for the definite purpose of training, building up and sending our human lives fashioned into Christ-like symmetry, filled with lofty impulses and aspirations, governed by principles of rectitude and honor, and fitted to enter upon the duties and struggles of life with spiritual wisdom and strength."* -J. Miller

**Lust and Dress:** *"If lustful looking be so grievous a sin (Matt. 5:27-29), then those who dress and expose themselves with desires to be looked at and lusted after...are not less, but even more guilty. ...How great, then, must be the guilt of the great majority of the modern misses who deliberately seek to arouse the sexual passions of our young men. And how much greater still is the guilt of most of their mothers for allowing them to become lascivious temptresses."* -A. Pink

**Reformed Witness Hour:** KARI 550AM Sunday @ 8:00 p.m.  
August 17 - "Turned From the Truth" (II Timothy 4:3-5a) Rev. W. Bruinsma