

THIS IS THE LORD'S DAY - October 26, 2008

MORNING SERVICE- 10:00 a.m. Reconciled to God (Lord's Supper) (Applicatory) I. The Reality II. The Calling III. The Urgency Scripture: II Corinthians 5 Text: II Corinthians 5:20 Psalter #'s: 326, 144, 398, 203	EVENING SERVICE - 6:00 p.m. Not Offended in the Great Physician I. The Question II. The Answer III. The Application Scripture: Matthew 11 Text: Matthew 11:2-6 Psalter #'s: 255, 30, 213, 318
OFFERINGS Today: a.m. General Fund, Benevolent Fund p.m. General Fund, Covenant Christian School Next Week: Benevolent Fund, Association of Heidelberg PRC School USHERS Today: Casey Porter, Aaron Tolsma Next Week: Ed DeBoer, Bart Zandstra NURSERY Today: a.m. Carissa VanderMeulen, Amanda Heystek p.m. Mrs. Karla Zandstra Next Week: a.m. Mrs. Charlene DeBoer, Ciarra Flint p.m. Rhonda Zandstra TRANSPORTATION Today: Mr. H. Buiten Next Week: Mr. H. Kuiper	

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

Congregational Announcements

Lord's Supper: After a week of self-examination, we are privileged to celebrate the Lord's Supper this morning. In the Biblical requirement to guard the holiness of the sacrament, the elders announce that: 1.) only confessing members in good standing are allowed to partake; 2.) members of sister congregations and denominations are to request from the elders the permission to partake; 3.) members of other denominations are to make such requests prior to the council meeting. This evening is applicatory, as we apply the sacrament to our daily walk and life.

From the Consistory: Miss Jennifer Hanko from the Covenant PRC of Ballymena, Northern Ireland, has been granted permission to partake of the Lord's Supper with us this morning.

Membership: The membership papers of Miss Rosanna Hanko were received from the Peace Protestant Reformed Church. We welcome Rosanna to our fellowship!

Pre-Confession Class: Those who are interested in a pre-confession catechism class are asked to sign the sheet in the entryway. The class will start as soon as possible.

Family Visitation Schedule: (The elders will arrange times and dates with the families concerned.)

Week of October 27: D. VanDenTop, J. VanDenTop, M. Heystek, Zandstra

Week of November 3: B. Sheldon, F. DeBoer, E. VanDenTop

Lynden Young Adults Retreat Update: The Young Adults have booked the retreat camp for July 2009. To hold the date, an initial deposit of \$4000 needs to be made very soon. Along with other fundraising plans, the young adults would like to invite anyone in the congregation to lend a portion of the needed funds. Although there is no set date for it to be reimbursed, it would be as soon as possible, after registration money starts to come in. If you are interested please call or email Raphael & Joanna at raphnjo@gmail.com or 360-815-0942. Thank you.

Christmas Program: Advance Notice! The Sunday School Christmas Program will be held on Sunday evening, Dec. 21, after the evening worship service.

Ladies - Advance Notice! A church bridal shower for Alicia Buiten is being planned for Tuesday, Dec. 2. Mark your calendars now!

Young People's Society Activity: Come for bowling this week Tuesday! We'll meet at church at 7:00 p.m. to share rides and be at Park Bowl in Bellingham by 7:30 p.m.

Y.P.S. Auction Donation: Young People, don't forget to bring in your donation (by next Sunday) for our basket we are preparing for the auction. Thanks!

Attention Young People: A study sheet on "Dating" will be available this evening in the narthex. Please pick up a copy! Be prepared for next week by completing the section on "Bible Principles", so that we can begin discussing all those difficult questions on dating, from a Biblical perspective.

Our Church Family

Mr. John Tolsma, Sr. returned to the health care center this past Wednesday. Please pray for him and Mrs. Tolsma and the family at this difficult time.

Mr. Jack DenHartog was hospitalized in Grand Rapids, Michigan, due to an infection. Jack and Chris were due to return home this past week; they hope to return home this coming week. Please pray for them and the DenHartog family.

Requested Announcements

CCS Reformation Day Chapel: Come for chapel at Covenant Christian this week Friday at 8:30 a.m. Join us for a time of singing and meditation on God's great work of Reformation in the church! Rev. Hanko will speak.

CCS Auction 2008 Donations: The auction isn't very far away! Call or email what your donation will be to Mary at gregandmaryf@yahoo.com by Friday, November 8, to have it published in the auction booklet. Thanks to those who have already donated!

CCS Auction 2008: Have you called your family and friends? Doors open at 6:00 on Friday, November 14, at Covenant Christian. Refreshments and snacks, to purchase, will be available. More detailed information next week in the church newsletter!

Older Adults Retreat: Loveland PRC is considering having a retreat for older adults ages 27+ possibly during summer 2009 and is interested in knowing how many people would be interested in attending. If you are interested please email Anita Brands at alynn@q.com. Thanks

Our Church in Fellowship

Young Adult's Society tonight at 7:45 in the church basement. Study is on chapter 3 of "The Pursuit of Holiness". There are outlines in the table on the entry.

Young People's Society meets next week. Study is on: "Dating". Study sheets will be available this evening. Complete the "Bible Principles" section to prepare! Caleb, Drew, Carissa, and Ed serve.

Catechism: Tuesday - 8:30 a.m. O.T. Bible Stories: Lesson 6 and memory verse
9:15 a.m. O.T. History for Juniors: Lesson 6, memory verse,

written work
10:30 a.m. O.T. History for Seniors: Lesson 6, memory verse,

written work
Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. Heidelberg Catechism: Lesson 31, part 2

8:00 p.m. Essentials: Lesson 18
Bible Study: Tuesday 1:30 p.m. James 1:1ff (at the parsonage)

Thursday 8:00 p.m. II Peter 1:8ff (in the church basement; snacks: Joanna)

Calendar of the Week

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

Church News.

Call: Rev. VanOverloop accepted the call from Grace PRC (MI). to be their pastor.

Trio: Doon PRC (IA) trio: Rev. Bruinsma, Rev. Eriks, and Rev. Smit to be Philippine missionary.

Trio: Calvary PRC (IA) trio: Rev. R. Kleyn, Rev. W. Langarak, and Rev. Smit

Quotes to Consider

Christ Alone: *"Learn Christ and Him crucified. Learn to pray to Him and, despairing of yourself, say, 'Thou, Lord Jesus, art my righteousness, but I am Thy sin. Thou hast taken upon Thyself what is mine and hast given to me what is Thine. Thou hast taken upon Thyself what Thou wast not and hast given to me what I was not.'" -M. Luther*

Ungodliness: *"Ungodliness is that you do not love Him, do not fear Him, do not care about Him, never reckon with Him, and act as if He never was there. ...Ungodliness is that God is not in all your thoughts. Ungodliness is that you breathe His air, eat His bread, drink His water, and partake of His bounties, and never say, 'Thank you'." -H. Hoeksema*

Choosing Companions: *"In selecting your "companions", let not a pleasing personality deceive you. The Devil himself often poses as "an angel of light," and sometimes his wolfish agents disguise them-selves in "sheep's clothing" (Matthew 7:15). Be most careful in seeing to it that what draws you toward and makes you desire the companionship of Christian friends is their love and likeness to Christ and not their love and likeness to you. Shun as you would a deadly plague those who are not awed by the fear of God, i.e., a trembling lest they offend Him. Let not the Devil persuade you that you are too well estab-lished in the faith to be injured by intimacy with worldly "Christians". ...Rather, "follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart." (2 Tim. 2:22)." -A. Pink*

Joy Unspeakable: *"Constantly we (Christians) find ourselves slipping into bitterness and apathy and gloom as we reflect on the "crosses" we bear. ...The attitude we show to the world is a sort of dried-up stoicism, miles removed from the "joy unspeakable and full of glory" which Peter took for granted that his readers were displaying (1 Peter 1:8). "Poor souls," our friends say of us, "how they've suffered" – and that is just what we feel about ourselves! But these private mock heroics have no place at all in the minds of those who really know God. They never brood on might-have-beens; they never think of the things they have missed, only of what they have gained. . . . When Paul says (in Philippians 3) he counts the things he lost "dung," he means not merely that he does not think of them as having any value, but also that he does not live with them constantly in his mind; what normal person spends his time nostalgically dreaming of manure?" -J. Packer*

Our Homes: *"Our house ought to be a little church, with "Holiness to the Lord" over the door; but it ought never to be a prison, where there is plenty of rule and order, but little love and no pleasure." -C. Spurgeon*

<p>Reformed Witness Hour: KARI 550AM Sunday @ 8:00 p.m. October 26 - "The Return of the Gospel of Grace" Rev. C. Haak</p>
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