

This is the LORD'S DAY – December 24, 2017

Morning Worship - 9:30 A.M.

Scripture: Hebrews 10

Text: Heidelberg Catechism, L.D. 4

THE MISERY OF FALLING INTO THE HANDS OF THE LIVING GOD

I. The Deserved Misery

II. The Certain Misery

III. The Extreme Misery

Psalms: 152, 12, 208, 232

Evening Worship - 5:00 P.M.

Scripture: Matthew 2

Text: Matthew 2:1-111

THE KING WORSHIPPED BY WISEMEN

I. The King of Creation

II. The King of Israel

III. The King of Salvation

Psalms: 279, 182, 207, 194

		Today	Next Week
Offering	AM	General Fund, Eastside	General Fund, Adams
	PM	Benevolence, Adams Preschool	Benevolence, Hope School Building (Redlands)
Nursery	AM	Bri N., Alycia P., Natalie S.	Michelle P., Judy S., Emma A.
	PM	Annie O., Julie P., Marissa P.	Dana V.S., Liz T., Ashley V.
Ushers		Jed Pipe & Tim Hoving	Vic & Nick Kuiper
Transportation	Doug	Doug Mingerink	John Flikkema III
	Vivian	Dave Ophoff	Tim Pipe, Sr.

Mediation: “The heavenly Father chose to appoint the star and the Magi as our guides to lead directly to his Son while he stripped him of all earthly splendor, for the purpose of informing us that his kingdom is spiritual. This history conveys profitable instruction, not only because God brought the Magi to his Son as the first-fruits of the Gentiles, but also because he appointed the kingdom of his Son to receive their commendation and that of the star, for the confirmation of our faith; and so that the wicked and malignant contempt of his nation might not render him less estimable in our eyes.” (John Calvin)

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

~ **Plan to stay** tonight for a brief song service to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

~**The congregation** is called to worship at 9:30 am tomorrow morning for our Christmas service. Offering: CCHS; Nursery: Heidi P., Kristen S., Cassidy V.; Ushers: Mark Ophoff & Jim Koerner; Transportation: Doug – Jordan P., Vivian – Ted P.

~**Installation of new** office bearers is planned for Jan. 1 New Years Day Service.

~**The congregation** extends birthday greetings to Pauline Breen as she will celebrate, the Lord willing, her 91st birthday on December 27.

~**Please join the Southeast** PRC Young Peoples Society on Thursday, January 4, at the Rainbow Grill (both locations) between 4 pm & 9 pm. The Rainbow Grill continues to support our young people by donating 10% of the sales during these hours. This year they have requested that those attending would please bring a church bulletin or school announcement that mentions the fundraiser & to alert your server prior to ordering. Thank you, in advance, for your support of our Young People's Societies!

~**The Young People's** Society and Young Adults Society will be in recess for the holidays until January 8. All catechism classes will be in recess until January 8.

LOCAL/DENOMINATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

~**Minister News:** First (GR) called Rev. C. Griess. Southwest called Candidate David Noorman.

~**The Voices of Victory** will be hosting a Christmas singspiration on TONIGHT. The singspiration will be held at Faith PRC beginning at 7:45 PM (those who cannot make it by then are more than welcome to arrive late). Join us as we joyfully celebrate the birth of our Savior together in song!

~ **The Voices of Victory** will be holding their annual Old Year's concert on Sunday evening, December 31. Please note that the concert location has changed - instead of at Hudsonville Reformed Church the concert will be held at Bethel United

Reformed Church - 8360 Cottonwood Dr, Jenison, MI 49428 (formerly First Jenison CRC). As in previous years, you are invited to come and go as you please at any time between 8 and 11 PM. Refreshments will be served. A freewill offering will be taken for Georgetown Harmony Homes. Join the Voices of Victory and their guests, the Sacred Harmonies quartet, and participate in joyful audience singing throughout the evening!

~**Rev. Martyn McGeown**, missionary-pastor of Limerick Reformed Fellowship, will be interviewed by Christopher Arzen on his radio program, “Iron Sharpens Iron,” on **Friday, January 5** from 4-6 pm EST. The subject for this interview will be Rev. McGeown's recent book, *Called to Watch for Christ's Return*. You can go to the website www.ironsharpenironradio.com and click on the livestream box to tune in and listen from any device. The program can also be listened to by phone at (563)999-9206; press #3 for Christian Radio when prompted.

~ **Interim Course:** The seminary's interim course this year will be “The Theology of John Calvin” and will be taught by Prof. R. Cammenga. Classes will meet from Monday, January 8, 2018 through Wednesday, January 17, 2018, in the morning, 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Any who are interested in attending are welcome. Please call the seminary (531-1490) before January 5 so that your name can be added to the class list.

~**Advice for Elders on Family Visitation:** Hudsonville PRC is hosting this winter's Classis East Officebearer's Conference on Tuesday evening, January 9, at 7:30 PM. We have asked Prof. Gritters to speak on our practice of Family Visitation. We want to keep this beloved practice as our Church Order requires, but how will we do it most profitable for all our homes? After explaining the important principles of family visitation, Prof. Gritters will adder questions like: Should there be a theme or special topic each year? What is the difference between family visitation and a Bible study? How much should elders speak and how much should they listen? How to ask questions so that the people speak? At the end of the speech there will be a time for questions and discussion. Everyone is welcome, both officebearers and members.

~ The **Reformed Witness Hour Committee** thanks you, friends and donors, for your prayers and financial support during 2017. As you plan for your year-end giving, we ask that you prayerfully consider helping with our two newest costs: broadcasting in the Chicago area (approximately \$500 per month) and the re-design of our website. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.

YOUNG PEOPLES/YOUNG ADULTS

~**Zion PRC Young Peoples'** Society invites you to enjoy a meal at Rainbow Grill on January 11, from 4-9PM. Both locations (Grandville and Hudsonville) are generously donating 10% of their profits towards the convention costs of our YP society members. Stop in before or after the game for dine in or a takeout order! ****Please Note!**** you must show your server this a paper or digital copy of this announcement for your bill to count towards the fundraising total. Thanks in advance for your support!

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

~**The Board of Adams Christian School will meet on Thursday, Jan. 4, 2018 at 7:30 PM.**

~ **Covenant Christian High School** reminds you of the ongoing drive for the Five Classroom Addition. We are thankful for the \$537,000 we have received for this project. Our revised goal for this drive is \$710,000, due to the project coming in under budget. We need to complete this drive in January, as the project comes to its completion. Please remember this cause in your year-end giving.

~**Covenant Christian High School** continues its annual support drive with a goal of \$350,000. To date we have received \$165,000 toward this goal. Please continue to remember this need in your giving, and remember CCHS in your prayers.

~**The Heritage Christian School Capital Campaign Drive** brochures for the addition were mailed out and you should have received one by now. If you wish to give, please return the envelope that was included by year end. If you have not received a giving brochure and would like one, please contact Bill VanOverloop at 616-821-0369 or vanoverwill@gmail.com or Dave Ondersma at 616-482-7031 or daveondersma@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!

~**Adams Christian School**, a K-8 school located in Wyoming, MI, is in need of teachers for the 2018-2019 school year. We encourage all interested individuals to contact Rick Mingerink, school administrator (rickmingerink@gmail.com) (616-531-0748) for more information.

~ **Covenant Christian High School** in Grand Rapids, Michigan is accepting applications from members of the Protestant Reformed churches to fill a teaching position in the area of Mathematics for the fall of 2018. Applicants should be certified for Secondary Education. Applications can be obtained by contacting Rick Noorman (616-453-5048 or ricknoorman@gmail.com) or Dr. Doug Bleyenburgh (drbleyenburgh@comcast.net).

~ **Covenant Christian** is accepting applications for a Junior Varsity Softball Coach. For more information, or to apply, contact Travis Van Bommel at covenantad@yahoo.com.