

This is the LORD'S DAY – December 31, 2017

Morning Worship - 9:30 A.M.

Scripture: Matthew 2:13-23

Text: Matthew 2:23

CALLED A NAZARENE

I. The Reason

II. The Significance

Psalters: 406, 198, 4, 45

Evening Worship - 5:00 P.M.

Scripture: I Thessalonians 2

Text: I Thessalonians 2:19-20

HIGHLY ESTEEMIG THE CHURCH

I. The Attitude

II. The Necessity

III. The Explanation

Psalters: 50, 132, 379, 125

		Today	Next Week
Offering	AM	General Fund, Adams	General Fund, Adams
	PM	Benevolence, Hope School Building (Redlands)	Benevolence, Domestic Missions
Nursery	AM	Michelle P., Judy S., Emma A.	Molly V.B., Amanda V., Sophia S.
	PM	Dana V.S., Liz T., Ashley V.	Jennie V.D.B., Erika A., Grace V.
Ushers		Vic & Nick Kuiper	Dan Schimmel & Tim Kortering
Transportation	Doug	John Flikkema III	Bernie Kamminga
	Vivian	Tim Pipe, Sr.	Jim Holstege

Mediation: “Words fail to explain how necessary prayer is, and in how many ways the exercise of prayer is profitable. For it is by the benefit of prayer that we reach those riches which are laid up for us with the heavenly father. There is a communion of men with God by which, having entered the heavenly sanctuary, they appeal to him in person concerning his promises in order to experience that what they believed was not vain...Therefore, we see that to us nothing is promised from the Lord which we are not also bidden to ask of him in prayers. So true is it that we dig up by prayer the treasures that were pointed out by the Lord’s gospel and which our faith has gazed upon” (John Calvin).

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

~**The congregation** is called to worship at 9:30AM tomorrow morning for a New Years Day service at which time installation of new office bearers will also be done. **Offering:** Pittsburg PRC Building Fund; **Nursery:** Jill R., Alisa S.; **Ushers:** Jim & Ben Noorman; **Transportation:** Doug – Craig Dykstra; Vivian – Doug Mingerink

~**The Evangelism Committee** is in need of a new member to serve a 3 year term. Please prayerfully consider this important work of the church. Contact either a member of Evangelism or the Clerk for more information.

~**Adult Bible Study** will meet this Wednesday at 7:30 pm. Discussion begins with Zechariah 11. Cindy will serve and Mark will close.

~**The Young People’s** Society and Young Adults Society will be in recess for the holidays until next Sunday. The Young People’s will meet next Sunday, Dorothy and Stephan Langerak will serve. All catechism classes will be in recess until January 8.

~**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!

~**Jr. Adults** will next meet on Wednesday, January 10. We will discuss I Samuel 20, Brent Snippe will close with prayer and Alisa will serve.

~**Women's Bible Study** will meet on Thursday, January 11 to discuss II John. New members are welcome.

~**Young Peoples Reminder:** if you haven’t paid your \$20 dues please do so asap.

~ **Once again** this year we would like to acknowledge those in our congregation who will be celebrating a milestone birthday. Anyone turning 80+ this year who would like their birthday announced in the bulletin, please contact the bulletin clerk. If your birthday has already been announced in previous years there is no need to contact her.

LOCAL/DENOMINATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

~ **The Voices of Victory** will be holding their annual Old Year’s concert TONIGHT. 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 Amzen 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.ironsharpensironradio.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.

~ **The Psalm Choir** will begin its new season on January 7, 2018. Practices will be held at Hudsonville PRC, beginning at 2:00 P.M. (please note earlier time and change of venue). Please join us in singing psalms of praise to our God!

~**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.

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.

~**Adams’ Mothers’ Club** will meet this Thursday, Jan. 4 at 8 PM in the library. New members welcome!

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