

This is the LORD'S DAY – November 11, 2018

Morning Worship - 9:30 A.M.

Scripture: Numbers 15:17-41

Text: Heidelberg Catechism, L.D. 38

KEEPING THE SABBATH HOLY

I. The Perpetual Commandment

II. The Spiritual Activity

III. The Blessed Fellowship

Psalms: 349, 153, 374, 368

Evening Worship - 5:00 P.M.

Scripture: Luke 13:18-35

Text: Luke 13:23-24

STRIVE TO ENTER

I. The Lord's Admonition

II. The Strenuous Activity

III. The Effectual Incentive

Psalms: 268, 320, 385, 26

		Today	Next Week
Offering	AM	General Fund, Eastside	General Fund, Loveland PR School
	PM	Benevolence, Wingham PR School	CCHS, Adams
Nursery	AM	Cindy O., Jill R., Cassidy V.	Natalie S., Lauren R., Ella P., Ava J., Kaitlyn V.
	PM	Anna Mae P., Madeline R., Grace V.	Kristen S., Dana V.S., Elaina F.
Ushers		Jed Pipe & Mark Ophoff	Vic & Ethan Kuiper
Transportation	Doug	Jordan Pipe	John Flikkema III
	Vivian Audrey	Don Kamphuis	Karen Langerak

Meditation: "If we turn Sunday into a day for living it up for our sport and pleasure, indeed how will God be honored in that? Is it not mockery and a profanation of his name?... We ought to observe Sunday as a tower to climb high and contemplate the works of God in a way neither impeded by nor occupied with anything else, so we might extend all our senses to recognize the benefits and favors with which God has enlarged us... When Sunday is spent only in pastimes full of vanity, one has not at all celebrated Sunday and God is offended in many ways. And when people profane in this manner, this holy order God instituted to lead us to himself, why are they astonished when all the rest of their week is degraded?" (John Calvin)

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

~ **The PM service** is preparatory with a view to the celebration of the Lord's Supper next Sunday AM.

~**Council** - Evangelism is planning a lecture by Prof. Gritters. The Long Range Study Committee reported that they are following up on two leads for a permanent facility. The proposed budget for 2019 was reviewed and adopted; it will be presented for approval at the congregational meeting. Censura Morum was held; no issues were raised.

~**Consistory** - With joy the Consistory heard and received the confession of faith of Natalie Snippe. Her public confession of faith is scheduled for November 25. Matt DeVries' request for his membership to be transferred to First PRC was granted. We ask God's blessing on him and his wife in their new church home.

~**For our annual** congregational meeting, the nominees for Elder will be Jim Holstege, Tim Hoving, Mark Ophoff, and Bill Pipe; the nominees for Deacon will be Christian Flikkema, Garth McKinney, Tim Kortering, and Jed Pipe unless there is a lawful objection. Retiring elders are Dan Schimmel and Ted Pipe; retiring Deacons are Mike Kerkstra and Brent Snippe.

~**Junior Adult Society** will meet this Wednesday, November 14. We will discuss 1 Samuel 28. Craig Dykstra will close in prayer. Monica Hoekstra and Amanda Jabaay will serve.

~ **The Young Peoples** Society has a mass meeting today at 2PM at First PRC, and will not meet this morning after the service. They will meet next on November 18 in the music room. Elle and Ava Jabaay will provide refreshments.

~ **The Young Adults** Society will meet this PM. Bible discussion is on Isaiah 2.

~ **It's time to** begin practicing for the 2018 Sunday School Christmas program. We plan to begin practice November 18. Please plan approximately 45 minutes of practice time after the morning service for the next 5 Sundays. It would be helpful for the teachers if all planning to participate in the program were present on the first day of practice for accurate planning. The Sunday School Christmas program is scheduled for after the AM service on December 23, DV.

~Family Visitation:

Date	Time	Family	Elders
11/13	7 PM	Jared Langerak	Schimmel/Van Baren
11/13	8:15 PM	Paul Kamps	Schimmel/Van Baren
11/15	7 PM	Garth McKinney	Schimmel/Van Baren
11/15	8:15 PM	Mark Ophoff	Schimmel/Van Baren

DENOMINATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

~ **Ministers:** Trinity PRC called Rev. B. Huizinga (Redlands). Immanuel (Lacombe) called Rev. J. Engelsma (Doon).

~**Mexico Presentation** – TONIGHT @ 7:45 at First Church. Prof. Cammenga, Rev. Griess and Mr. Doner Bartolon will present information regarding their trip this past summer to the Mexico City area, where they were able to preach and give lectures to saints from two Presbyterian denominations as well as to professors and students at the John Calvin University. Come and learn about the interest that was expressed by our fellow saints in this country as well as the possibility of more work that could be done there.

~**The REFORMED WITNESS HOUR COMMITTEE** will meet on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, 7:30 p.m. at First PRC, Grand Rapids.

~**SPECIAL NEEDS PARTICIPANTS:** There will be a practice for the special needs program, THIS WEDNESDAY, November 14 at 6:30 - 8:00PM at Trinity PRC. It would be very beneficial that all participants come so that we can work out the logistics of the program. If you have any questions or are not able to attend, please let Laura Lubbers know: laurajkaptein@gmail.com or 616-292-8029.

~**The Reformed Doctrines Class**, taught by Prof. Engelsma, will meet this Wednesday, November 14, at 7:45pm at Faith Church. This class will begin a study of the Reformed doctrine of salvation, including regeneration, faith, conversion, justification, and more. Over time, the class will expose such heresies as Pelagianism, Arminianism, works-righteousness, and others, including their modern dress. All of all ages are welcome to attend.

~**SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAM:** Will be held THURSDAY, November 15 at 7:00 at Trinity PRC. The participants have been practicing hard and are excited to share with you their special talents. With over 15 special numbers, this is a program you will not want to miss!

~ **Dordt 400:** Did you know November 13 1618, 400 years ago, the Synod of Dordt began and didn't conclude until nearly 6 months and 154 meetings later?! Are you familiar with the preceding history that led to this lengthy meeting? Do you know the week by week events that happened during the Great Synod? Follow that history and join the blog at Dordt400.org to view the weekly events Synod of Dordt. Stay up to speed in light of Seminary's conference April 25-27 2019.

~ **Senior Retreat-** Save the dates. Sept. 17-20, 2019 at Gull Lake Ministries. Sponsored by Faith and Zion PRC.

YOUNG PEOPLE/YOUNG ADULTS

~ **The annual young people's** Thanksgiving Mass Meeting will be held at First PRC TODAY, from 2 to 3 PM, with a speech given by Rev. Griess. Young people are encouraged to attend for a good time of fellowship! Refreshments to follow.

~ **The Loveland** Young Adults Retreat is scheduled to occur March 18-21 at the YMCA. The speakers will be Rev. Key and Rev. VanOverloop. The theme is Ambassadors for Christ, spoken from the text II Corinthians 5:20. More details to follow.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

~ **Adams Christian School** continues its fall deficit drive with a goal of \$125,000. Information has been mailed out. If you did not receive a packet in the mail, you can get one by calling the school office. Please prayerfully consider this need and return your gift or pledge to the school by Nov 30.

~ **Heritage Christian School Capital** Campaign Drive for additional classrooms update: We are just over halfway to our goal of \$750,000 in pledges and receipts. Thank you to those who have considered, pledged and given to the campaign. The goal remaining over the next 14 months is \$372,000. Please prayerfully consider this cause in your giving over the remainder of the year for this needed space. What a joy it is to see growth in our schools and the furtherance of Christian education! If you would like a giving brochure, please contact Bill VanOverloop at 616-821-0369 or vanoverwill@gmail.com or Dave Ondersma at 616-482-7031 or daveondersma@gmail.com. "United in One Faith, One Hope, One Heritage"

~**Covenant Christian** High School's Annual Support Drive for the 2018-19 school year began this past week. The budgeted goal for this drive is \$385,000. Please prayerfully consider this need and contribute as you are able to the support of the education of our covenant youth. If you would like a drive letter and did not receive one, please contact the school office.

~**Hope School Board** will meet this Wednesday, November 14 at 7:30 pm.

~**We invite you** to attend Hope School's All-School Program on Friday, November 16 at 7:30 pm at Grandville High School. Our theme is "The Wonderful Works of the Lord".

~**Heritage Christian School** Foundation is sponsoring an "Evening of Praise" which is being held at Grandville High School's auditorium on Saturday, November 24 at 7:00 P.M. General Admission tickets (\$15) can still be purchased by contacting the Heritage Christian School office (receptionist@hchr.org or 669-1773). General admission tickets must be purchased by Monday evening, November 19, and include a dessert reception following the concert. Come and join us as God is praised through the gift of music.

~**The 4-on-4 Volleyball** Tournament for Covenant Christian High School will be held on December 8 this year. There will be a men's and a women's division. This tournament is open to all post-high school adults. The cost is \$100 a team to help support our volleyball program at Covenant. Please register your team by emailing Courtney Jessup at CourtneyP10@gmail.com. The deadline to register is November 21. Thanks!

~ **Covenant Christian High School Curriculum Director:** In view of our continued growth, Covenant Christian desires to expand its administrative team with the addition of a part time Curriculum Director position beginning in the 2019-2020 school year . This position could possibly involve part time teaching as well. The duties would include developing, maintaining and evaluating the curriculum in all subject areas. For more information or to apply please contact Rick Noorman, school administrator, at 616-322-2549 or rnoorman@covenantchristianhs.org or Tim Pipe, Jr. at 616-272-8713 or tpipe23@gmail.com.

~**Coaching Position** Covenant is seeking applications for the position of Varsity Baseball Coach. If you are interested, or if you need more information, please contact the Covenant Chr Athletic Office at 453-2427 or covenantad@yahoo.com.

~**The Edmonton Protestant** Reformed Christian School is in need of a full-time teacher for the 2019-2020 school year. The school will be starting with grades 1-4 D.V., and the board would ask that all existing and prospective teachers feel free to reach out for more information or to learn more about the group of students and the efforts here. Please contact Gord Tolsma at gr.tolsma@gmail.com(780-777-5780) or Scott Ferguson at s_r_ferguson@hotmail.com (780-940-9959)

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