

ORDER OF WORSHIP

(*Congregation Standing)

Organ Prelude
Silent Prayer
*Doxology
*Salutation
*Votum in Unison
*Blessing
*Congregational Singing
Scripture Reading
Reading of the Law (Morning)
Apostles' Creed in Unison (Evening)
*Congregational Singing
Prayer
Offertory
*Congregational Singing
Sermon
Prayer
*Congregational Singing
*Doxology
*Benediction
Postlude

ELDERS

Rev. Maatman, President
Mark Ophoff (2022)
Jim Holstege, Vice-All (2021)
Bill Pipe, Vice President (2021)
Jerry Van Baren, Clerk (2020)
Jim Koerner (2020)

DEACONS

Tim Kortering, Assistant Treasurer (2022)
Christian Flikkema, Vice-All (2021)
Garth McKinney, Treasurer (2021)
Jared Langerak, Secretary (2020)
Jordan Pipe, President (2020)

General Information:

-Anyone desiring a pastoral call should notify the pastor or their district elder.
-Regular Consistory and Council meetings are held at 7PM on the second Thursday of the month.
-Deacon meetings are held at 7PM on the first Monday after the last Sunday of the month.
-Baptism requests are to be made in person at the regular Consistory meeting.
-The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is administered the third Sunday in the months of February, May, August and November. Those who are members of other churches in our denomination who wish to partake of Communion may request this of the Elders just prior to the service. Those who are members of other denominations must present their request at the Consistory meeting prior to Communion.
-Material for public programs must be submitted to the Program Committee for approval.
-Sermon tapes are available from Liz Thompson. elizgriess@gmail.com
-Bulletin Clerk: Jennie VanDenBerg, 821-1270, jennievdb@yahoo.com. Deadline for announcements: Friday at noon.
-See the church directory for various Church committees, Catechism classes, Bible study societies, Etc.

OPENING DOXOLOGY (AM & PM)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

CLOSING DOXOLOGY (Morning)

Now blessed be the Mighty One,
Jehovah, God of Israel,
For He alone has wonders done,
And deeds in glory that excel.
And blessed be His glorious Name,
Long as the ages shall endure;
O'er all the earth extend His fame.
Amen, Amen, for evermore.

CLOSING DOXOLOGY (Evening)

May the grace of Christ, the Savior, And the Father's boundless love,
With the Holy Spirit's favor, Rest upon us from above.
Thus may we abide in union, With each other, and the Lord,
And possess in sweet communion, Joys which earth cannot afford.

THE APOSTLES' CREED (Evening)

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary;
Suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead and buried;
He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost. I believe an holy catholic church;
The communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins;
The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. AMEN.

SOUTHEAST

PROTESTANT REFORMED CHURCH

Meeting at Adams Christian School
5539 Byron Center Ave. SW, Wyoming, Michigan 49519
www.southeastprc.org

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Live Stream: <http://www.prca.org:8000/se>

Pastor: Rev. Jacob Maatman

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THIS IS THE LORD'S DAY

March 22, 2020

Morning Service

9:30 AM

Rev. Maatman

Scripture: Psalm 46

Text: Psalm 46:1-3

ZION'S CONFIDENCE IN GOD OUR REFUGE

I. In the midst of trouble

II. God our refuge and strength

III. A very present help

Psalters: 266, 161, 159, 128

Offerings: General Fund

Building Fund

Next Week: General Fund

Foreign Student Assist. Fund

Evening Service

5:00 PM

Rev. Maatman

Scripture: I Corinthians 10

Text: Lord's Day 29, Q/A 80

REAL COMMUNION WITH CHRIST

I. The meaning

II. The manner

III. The profit

Psalters: 260, 203, 332, 52

Offerings: Benevolence

Eastside

Next Week: Benevolence

RWH

MEDITATION

"Without a doubt a world-crisis is at hand, and everywhere men are alarmed. But God is not! *He* is never taken by surprise. It is no unexpected emergency which now confronts Him, for He is the One who "worketh all things after the counsel of His own will" (Eph. 1:11). Hence, though the world is panic-stricken, the word to the believer is, "Fear not!" "All things" are subject to His immediate control: "all things" are moving in accord with His eternal purpose, and therefore "all things" are "working together *for good* to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose." It must be so, for "of Him, and through Him, and to Him are *all things*" (Rom. 11:36). Yet how little is this realized today even by the people of God! Many suppose that He is little more than a far-distant Spectator, taking no immediate hand in the affairs of earth. It is true that man is endowed with power, but God is all-powerful. It is true that, speaking generally, the material world is regulated by law, but behind that law is the law-Giver and law-Administrator. Man is but the creature. God is the Creator, and endless ages before man first saw the light "the mighty God" (Isa. 9:6) existed, and ere the world was founded, made His plans; and being infinite in power and man only finite, His purpose and plan cannot be withstood or thwarted by the creatures of His own hands" (A. W. Pink, *The Sovereignty of God*).

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Council: There will be a moratorium on handshaking until further notice. The elders will greet you as you exit the gym, but there will be no handshakes. If you do not feel well, or have a cough, fever etc. please stay home and worship via the live stream. Please limit your fellowship after the services. There are hand sanitizers placed at various locations around church. The Council encourages you to use them liberally. Also, no nursery, ushers and transportation will be provided until further notice.

-The Maatman family gives a hearty thanks to the congregation for the many pantry items, meals, baked goods, gift cards, and more that we received upon moving in to the new parsonage, which is housing us quite well. Above the things of this earth, we give thanks to God for placing us in the midst of a congregation whose warm embrace we felt from the beginning and continue to feel. "But as touching brotherly love ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another...but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more" (1 Thess. 4:9).

- Charlie Hoekstra was admitted to the hospital with appendicitis and had surgery to remove the appendix. He was able to go home soon. However, several days later he experienced complications and pain and was readmitted to the hospital, where he is now. Let us remember Charlie, Monica, and the family in prayer. "Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved" (Ps. 55:22).

-YOUNG PEOPLE'S PROGRAM: Please plan on staying after the morning service of Sunday, April 19 for a brief program held by the Young People's Society, with coffee cake and cinnamon rolls provided after the program. There will be a collection taken for the 2020 Young People's Convention. We are currently estimating 10 young people attending this year's convention, at a cost of \$450 per person, or a \$4500 total cost. Your donation to this worthy cause would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support of our young people!

-All societies have ended for the season, and will resume, Lord willing, in the fall.

DENOMINATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- This past Tuesday, March 17, 2020, Hope Protestant Reformed Church, of Walker Michigan, with the concurrence of Classis East and the synodical delegates of Classis West, has granted Rev. David Overway's request to be released from the ministry according to Article 12 of the Church Order. May the blessing of the Lord rest upon the decisions of Classis and may His church rest in Him. A report of the meeting has been emailed along with the bulletin, and is available on the back table.

-This past week, Rev. and Deb Bleyenbergh, on their way to Lacombe, were denied entrance into Canada because of the closure of the border. Let us remember them and the congregation in Lacombe in prayer as they wait on the LORD.

- The Council of Grandville Protestant Reformed Church has been informed by Covenant Evangelical Reformed Church that they have received a rejection of their last appeal with the Singapore government for an employment pass for Rev. Mahtani. This rejection stems from unexpected complications arising from Rev. Mahtani's prior Singaporean citizenship and that country's required military service. CERC has now exhausted the appeal process

with the Singapore government. In light of this information Grandville PRC announces to the churches that Rev. Mahtani is eligible for a call on April 1, 2020.

- From the Contact Committee:

(1) First, our sister church, the Covenant Protestant Reformed Church in Northern Ireland, reports that they have decided to close the mission station in Limerick, Ireland that they had been overseeing for the past ten years. Rev. McGeown will likely stay in Limerick for the next six months and will then, the Lord willing, move to the United States. We submit this disappointment to the good Providence of God who is alone wise. Remember the saints in Limerick and Rev. McGeown in your prayers.

(2) Second, the Singapore government is placing anyone who visits Singapore under quarantine for two weeks. This will hamper for some time the PRCA's attempts to supply CERCS' pulpit. Remember our brothers and sisters in Singapore in a time when they are without an under-shepherd and now are cut off from our help in many ways. May the Great Shepherd of the sheep care for his flock in these circumstances, as we trust He will.

(3) Third, the government of the Philippines has restricted travel inside the country. This limits the work our missionaries are able to do in areas outside their immediate vicinity. We remain confident that in spite of this "...the word of God is not bound" 2 Timothy 2:9. May that word yet go forth in these uncertain times to the saving and strengthening of His people, and to the glory of His name.

-Kalamazoo PRC and **Cornerstone PRC** have both called Rev. Engelsma (Doon).

- Providence PRC has formed a trio of Revs. Eriks (Hudsonville), McGeown (Limerick), and Bruinsma (Pittsburgh).

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Prof. Dykstra's Monday night Bible class that meets in Hope PRC will not meet any more this season.

- The FPRC Young People have decided to cancel their 'Evening in Italy' on March 28.

- URGENT NEED: There are two weeks left to sign up to be a Chaperone for this year's convention. We still need 20 Men and 10 Women chaperones. Sign up now at prcconvention.com. If you are thinking about it and have questions please reach out to us at chaperone@prcconvention.com or give us a call. Kathy Decker 616-719-6482. We need you! Registration for Chaperones closes March 31.

-Apr. 22: COVENANT SPRING DINNER: It's time to mark your calendars for the annual CCHS Foundation Dinner. This year the dinner is planned for Wednesday, April 22 at Georgetown PR Church. To make a reservation or sponsor a table contact Dave or Dawn Bouwkamp at dawnbouw@gmail.com. Look for more info in your church monthly newsletter or in a weekly school note.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

-The CCHS Band Concert scheduled for 3/25, 2020 and the Choir Concert on 3/31, 2020 are CANCELLED.

-The CCHS annual Society Meeting scheduled for March 30, 2020 is POSTPONED.

-May 11: The Adams Christian School Foundation will be holding its 31st Annual ACS Foundation Golf Scramble on Monday May 11 at Egypt Valley CC. Registration is scheduled to start at 12:30 PM followed by the shotgun start at 2:00 PM. New sponsors and teams are welcome to join! Please contact Justin Kamps (616-318-9631) or Joe Kuiper (616-862-9984) for more details. We hope to see you there!

- Covenant Christian High (GR) is seeking applicants for a 9th grade girls Volleyball Coach this fall. Season begins August 12, 2020. Those interested in applying for this position, or those seeking more information should contact Travis VanBommel, Athletic Director, via email at covenantad@yahoo.com.

- Covenant Christian School in Lynden, WA, seeks a teacher for a K-2 multi-grade classroom for the 2020-2021 school year. If interested, please call 360-354-5436 or e-mail ccslyndenwa@juno.com.

-Trinity Christian High School of Hull, IA is seeking teacher applicants from members of the Protestant Reformed churches to fill a math position. Interested persons should contact the administrator, Mr. Jim Regnerus, jregnerus@trinitychs.org or 712-470-0424, or the education committee chairman, Mr. Craig Hoksbergen, crghoks@outlook.com or 712-441-6139.

- The Sioux Falls PRC School continues to seek a teacher for lower elementary grades for the 2020-2021 school year. If you are interested or know of a suitable candidate, contact Brian Brummel at assocpredusf@gmail.com or 605-370-2317.

ALL THIS, THE LORD WILLING.