

This is the Lord's Day, November 19, 2017

AM Worship Service (#4361)

Text: Micah 7:18-19

Scripture: Micah 7

The Matchless God of Mercy

- I. The Pardoning God
- II. The Merciful God
- III. The Incomparable God

Psalter Numbers: 403, 55, 378, 277

Offerings

Today: General, Benevolence

Next Week: General, Benevolence

PM Worship Service (#4362)

Text: Psalm 136:1

Scripture: Psalm 136

Thanksgiving for Jehovah's Goodness

- I. The Meaning of It
- II. The Reason for It
- III. The Giving of Thanks

Psalter Numbers: 170, 54, 376, 290

Offerings

Today: NWIPRS, Trinity CHS

Next Week: Hull PRCS, Doon Evangelism

We welcome all visitors to our worship services today.

We pray you, with us, may be blessed under the preaching of God's Word.

Reformed Witness Hour, Sunday - 8:00 a.m. on KLOH 1050 AM; 5:00 p.m. on KDCR 88.5 FM

Today's Topic – Thanks Be to God – II Corinthians 9:15 (Rev. W. Bruinsma)

Next Week's Topic – Called unto Holiness – I Thessalonians 4:3-5, 7, 8 (Rev. W. Bruinsma)

Organ/Piano - Today – Joni B, Nancy Z

Next Week – Laura K, Jenna DJ

Ushers - Today – Brent B, Luke M

Next Week – Cody A, Dillon A

Nursery - Today – AM: Ellie R, Sarah Z

Next Week – AM: Haley VG, Kara VDT

PM: Amy Z, Katelyn Z

PM: Laura K, Cara B

Announcements

After a week of self-examination, confessing members in good standing are called and privileged to partake of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper this morning. Our participation in the Lord's Supper is a witness that we repent of our sins, believe that Jesus Christ is our righteousness, and desire to live in godliness. As this heavenly food can be taken to one's judgment (1 Cor. 11:28-30) and as the receiving of this food as a congregational body is a confession of doctrinal oneness (Acts 2:42), the elders supervise the partaking of the sacrament. If you are visiting from another PRC congregation, please contact the elders before communing. Visitors from other denominations must appear to make their request at the consistory meeting prior to communion. The sermon this evening will be applicatory.

The consistory has arranged for Pastor-elect Stephan Regnerus to lead us in worship this evening. This coming week he plans to move to Lynden, WA, where he will be examined by Classis West and ordained into the gospel ministry, God willing. We pray for God's blessing upon him in his travels, examination, and ministry.

The consistory has received the membership papers of Rev. & Tricia Smit and seven of their baptized children (Jay, Irene, Rosalyn, Seth, Carl, Ryan, and Silas) from First PRC. We welcome them once again into our congregation as our missionary and family.

Southwest PRC called Rev. Engelsma to be their pastor. Please remember our pastor and his family in prayer that God would make his will known clearly. Rev. Engelsma plans to answer this call on Nov 26.

The FMC will meet this Tuesday, November 21, at 7:00pm in Hull PRC.

The consistory calls the congregation to worship this Thursday, November 23, at 9:30am in observance of Thanksgiving Day. Rev. Engelsma will preach from Ephesians 5:20 on "Always Thankful For All Things." The collection will be for NWIPRS. Jean W plays organ. Carissa DJ & Marcia M have nursery.

Next Sunday morning Rev. Smit will be installed as our missionary to the Philippines. He plans to preach an inaugural sermon during the evening worship service.

The annual congregational meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 27, at 7:00pm. With the terms of Elders Alan De Boer and Jim Hoogendoorn ending, the following men are nominated for the office of elder: Warren Boon, Bob Mantel, Jim Regnerus, and Perry Van Egdome. With the term of Deacon Lee Hoekstra ending, the following men are nominated for the office of deacon: Tim Postma and Keith Zevenbergen.

Classis West is scheduled to hold a special meeting next week Wednesday, November 29, in Lynden PRC for the purpose of examining Pastors-elect Brian Feenstra and Stephan Regnerus. Delegates from our church are Rev. Engelsma and Elder Jim Hoogendoorn.

Collections for the Building Fund (October) - \$1667.50

Catechism

All Wednesday catechism classes are cancelled this week due to Thanksgiving. What follows are the assignments for the following week:

Beginners (Wednesday at 4) Lesson 11

Juniors (Wednesday at 4:45) Lesson 11 and written work

Seniors (Wednesday at 5:30) Lesson 11 and written work

Heidelberg (Wednesday at 7:30) LD 38 & written work

Essentials (Wednesday at 8:30) Lesson 22 memory work

Creeks Class (next Sunday after the AM service) Study: Belgic Confession Art. 8-9

Denominational News

First PRC called Rev. B. Huizinga.

Bible Study

Young Peoples (today after AM service) Study: "Rebuking Your Neighbor" from Proverbs; AR: "Our Calling to Witness in the Last Days," from the Sept. 2017 Beacon Lights.

Church Family

Ryan & Joni Buitter are asked to correspond with the Kleyns.

Phil & Laura Kuiper are asked to correspond with the Holsteges.

This past week Don Aardema was hospitalized in Rock Rapids due to the buildup of fluid because of his congestive heart failure. After spending several days in the hospital, he was able to return to the nursing home. Continue to remember our brother in prayer.

Requested Announcements

The Calvary PRC Young Peoples' Society invites you to their annual Thanksgiving Singspiration tonight at 7:45pm.

The junior high band and choir students from the Northwest Iowa Protestant Reformed School and the Hull Protestant Reformed Christian School will have their annual combined program on Monday, November 20 at 7:00 p.m. at Calvary Protestant Reformed Church. Refreshments and a time of fellowship will follow the program.

The board of Trinity Christian High School will meet Wednesday, November 22, at 7 PM.

Save the date of Friday evening, December 1st at 7pm for the 6th Annual Christian Education Lecture sponsored by the Association for Protestant Reformed Education in Sioux Falls. Rev. Cory Griess will be speaking on "The Need for Protestant Reformed Schools in a Post-Modern World" at Heritage PRC.

COVENANT CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR CD: We are now taking orders for our new Choir CD "Teach Me to Pray", a beautiful selection from the Psalter. The CDs are priced at \$10, and will only be available to order through November 26. To place your order, please sign up on the sheet in the back of church and give your payment to your church's contact person, Amy Zevenbergen, by Sunday, November 26. Only orders paid in full will be placed.

The Hope Heralds (GR area PR Men's Chorus) 2017 CD entitled, "Our God is God" is available for \$12. To order your copy, please call or text Karen Daling (616-662-0784) or Dan VanDyke (616-610-3276). You may also order by email at dvandyke@hchr.org. Thank you!

50th Anniversary: By God's grace, Covenant Christian High School is celebrating its 50th year of Christ-centered education. We have much to be thankful for in this work of our Father. To that end, the school Board is putting together a program to commemorate this milestone. The planned date for the program is April 27th (program at Fairhaven) and April 28th (dinner and open house at Covenant). We are looking for volunteers to serve on a committee to develop this program. If you are interested, please contact Tim Pipe Jr. (Board liaison to the 50th Anniversary Committee) at 272-6392 (cell) or at tpipe23@gmail.com.

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 two new 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.

The second/final installment of Prof. David Engelsma's response to questions submitted after his speech regarding spousal abuse is now available. Please log on to Byron Center's website to find the appropriate link. byronprc.org.

From the RFPA: Congregation, thank you for your support this past year. The RFPA is thankful to our heavenly Father for your gifts & prayers. These gifts allow us to publish and distribute books and the Standard Bearer at affordable prices. Readers from around the world receive and use these publications, often expressing to us their appreciation and gratefulness for this solidly Reformed material. Please keep this kingdom cause in your prayers!

Teaching Positions

The Northwest Iowa Protestant Reformed School in Doon, IA, is seeking a teacher for grades 3 and 4 for the 2018-2019 school year as well as an Administrator. For more information please contact Brent Wynia - 712-470-2757, brentwynia@hotmail.com or Joey Mantel - 712-470-6493, jsmantel@outlook.com.

The Board of Hope Christian School in Redlands, California is seeking applicants for 2 full-time teaching positions for high school grades beginning next school year (2018/2019). All interested persons should contact Ron VanVoorthuysen (909-499-2350, ron.revco@me.com) or Scott Gaastra (909-910-2673, Scott.Gaastra@gmail.com).

The Edmonton Protestant Reformed Christian School is in need of a full-time teacher for the 2018-2019 school year. The school will be starting from grades 1-3, and the board is willing to work with the teacher on a curriculum suited to their preference. Please contact Gord Tolsma at gr.tolsma@gmail.com / 780-777-5780 or Scott Ferguson at s_r_ferguson@hotmail.com.

Teacher Need: Loveland PRCS is accepting applications for a 3rd and 4th grade teaching position to complete the 2017/2018 school year and applications for the same position for the 2018/2019 school year, as one of our teachers has been blessed with expectant motherhood! Interested persons should contact Administrator BJ Mowery bmowery@lovelandprcs.org (970) 218-3420 or Education Committee Chairman Joe Ophoff joe@scotthomeinspection.com (970) 818-6790. Candidates looking to complete the 2017/2018 school year should be available to begin teaching by March 12th, 2018.

God has blessed one of our teachers with expectant motherhood! As a result, Heritage Christian School (Hudsonville, MI) is accepting applications for a 3rd grade teaching position. Interested persons should contact Administrator Brian Kuiper (bkuiper@hchr.org, 616-669-1773) or Education Committee Chairman John Vanuffelen (jgvanuffelen@gmail.com, 616-218-2772). Please apply before October 27. Candidates should be available to begin teaching on January 3, 2018.