

## THE LORD'S DAY: June 18, 2017

### MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 A.M.

Scripture: John 13:1-17; 31-38

Text: John 13:34,35

Sermon: **Love as I Have Loved You**

I. The Meaning

II. The Purpose

III. The Possibility

Psalters: 166, 363, 376, 263

Offerings: **General Fund**

**Benevolence**

Offerings next week are for the following causes:

Morning: General Fund and Benevolence

Evening: Sunday School and Domestic Missions

Nursery this morning: Mrs. A. De Jong, Lydia B., Leah G.

This evening: Shayna D.R., Brittany G., Emily G.

Next Sunday morning: Heidi G., Nicole G., Zoe G.

Next Sunday evening: Kalista H., Shawna H., Keahna H.

Ushers: For June: Matthew Kooima, Travis Kooima, Ben Korver

**Listen to the Reformed Witness Hour every Sunday on KLOH 1050 AM at 8:00 a.m. and KDCR 88.5 FM at 5:00 p.m. Today's message "God's Rule of Conduct for Marriage" (Colossians 3:12-13). Next week's message will be "A Dress Code for Marriage" (Colossians 3:12-13).**

### FROM THE CONSISTORY OR COUNCIL

We welcome all visitors worshipping with us today. May God's name be exalted as we worship together. The order of our worship service is printed on the back of the bulletin.

Because our pastor was gone this week as a delegate to synod, Candidate Jonathan Langerak is scheduled to lead us in worship both services today. We welcome him to our pulpit and fellowship.

The Diaconate of Hull Protestant Reformed Church would like to make the congregation aware of the growing need for benevolence. Over the past few months the Benevolent Fund has significantly declined, and we anticipate there will be a continued need for disbursements in the coming months. *He that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of his bread to the poor.* (Proverbs 22:9)

### CONCERNING THE CONGREGATION

Brandon Kroese is asked to write to Gary Brummel and David Kooiker to Derick Grimm.

We express our sympathy to Don Hoksbergen, Craig and Heather Hoksbergen, Andy and

### EVENING WORSHIP – 6:00 P.M.

Scripture: II Kings 20:1-11; Isaiah 38:9-22

Text: II Kings 20:1-11

Sermon: **Hezekiah's Healing From Deadly Sickness**

I. Prayerfully Sought

II. Sovereignly Accomplished

III. Miraculously Confirmed

Psalters: 215, 309, 79, 426

Offerings: **Trinity Christian High School**

Amanda Moss, and their families in the death Friday morning of Bonnie. Our Lord received unto himself another dear saint, delivering her from this earthly veil of tears. May we rejoice in the great work of our Saviour and in this knowledge: "*As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the LORD is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him*" (Psalm 18:30). The visitation will be held Wednesday night with the funeral on Thursday morning.

The congregation is invited to witness and rejoice, with family and friends, in the upcoming marriage of Karmin Boonstra and Martin De Jong this Friday, June 23, at 6:30 p.m. at the Hull Protestant Reformed Church.

### REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Sunday School:* Today is Lesson 49 and Psalter 251:1-3. Next Sunday is Lesson 40 and Psalter 14:1.

*Advance Notice:* Please mark your calendars for our annual church picnic which has been scheduled for Monday, July 24. Details will follow.

The school calendar committee is working on updating the birthday and anniversary calendar. Please contact Lora Maassen at [lora\\_kroese@hotmail.com](mailto:lora_kroese@hotmail.com) or 712-441-5838 by July 1 if you have any additions or corrections.

The annual society meeting for the Hull Protestant Reformed Christian School Society will be held tomorrow, June 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the band/choir room. Due to school cleaning, please make sure to enter via the south entrance near the band/choir room. Handouts are available in the back of church.

The annual society meeting of Trinity Christian High School is scheduled for July 17 at 7:30 p.m. Nominees to replace retiring board members Brian Gritters and Henry Van Maanen are Craig Hoksbergen, Dave Kooiker, Mike Van Bommel, and Seth Vis.

*Attention 2017 Conventioneers:* If you are interested in performing a special number at one of the convention speeches, please email Brent Boverhof at [brent.a.boverhof@koops.com](mailto:brent.a.boverhof@koops.com)

Hull PRCS is seeking a kindergarten aide for the 2017-2018 school year. For more information or to apply, contact Loren Gritters at [lgritters@hprcs.com](mailto:lgritters@hprcs.com) or (712) 578-2668 or Nathan Schiermeyer at [nschiermeyer@maintainer.com](mailto:nschiermeyer@maintainer.com) or (712) 541-5436.

There have been a few spots that have opened up for the Lynden Young Adults' Retreat happening July 3-6. For more info please email us at [lprcretreat17@gmail.com](mailto:lprcretreat17@gmail.com). Hope to see you soon in the Pacific Northwest!

*Senior Retreat.* Register now for a senior retreat at Gull Lake Ministries to be held September 26-29. The theme from Philippians 1:20-21 is "Magnifying Christ in Life and Death". Speakers will be Rev. Eriks, Prof. Engelsma, and Rev. Slopsema. Discussion groups and many activities are being planned. See [www.holland/grandvilleseniorretreat2017.com](http://www.holland/grandvilleseniorretreat2017.com) or if needed, call Gretine Bodbyl at (616) 538-3403 for a registration form or with questions. Deadline to register is July 31.

The Protestant Reformed Special Education Board is looking to hire a full time teacher to join our program at Heritage Christian School (Hudsonville) for the 2017-2018 school year. For more information or to send your resume contact John DeVries at [johndv@grar.com](mailto:johndv@grar.com) or by phone at (616) 889-4578. Please respond by June 21 if interested.

**Synod 2017** - Synod convened Tuesday at 8:00 a.m. in Hudsonville PRC. Rev. Key was elected as president, Rev. Bruinsma as vice-president, Rev. Kuiper as 1<sup>st</sup> clerk, and Rev. Spronk as 2<sup>nd</sup> Clerk.

Synod voted to extend a call to Rev. Kuiper to replace Prof. Dykstra as professor of Church History and New Testament Theology. Rev. A. Lanning was elected as the alternate and will receive the call should Rev. Kuiper decline. Rev. Kuiper has three weeks to consider the call. Let us remember him in prayer as he considers this call.

Synod approved the examinations of Matthew DeBoer, Brian Feenstra, Joseph Holstege, Jonathan Langerak, David Noorman, Stephan Regnerus and Justin Smidstra. They have been declared candidates for the ministry of the word and sacraments in the Protestant Reformed Churches. They are eligible for a call on or after July 15.

Synod approved a sister-church relationship between the Protestant Reformed Churches in America and the Protestant Reformed Churches in the Philippines. We give thanks to God for the mutual love denominations have for the truth of God as confessed in our churches.

Last year's synod adopted a policy for the Contact Committee (CC) to use in evaluating the possibility of participating in or joining ecumenical councils. The CC applied this policy to the North American Presbyterian and Reformed Council (NAPARC) and recommended our denomination not apply for membership in this council. Synod approved this recommendation and mandated that the CC send observers to the November 2017 meeting of NAPARC with the following mandate: "1) Express thanks for the invitation and greetings from the PRCA. 2) Give a brief introduction of the PRCA. 3) Convey synod's decision that we will not be applying for membership in NAPARC at this time." The grounds for not applying for membership are as follows: "1) Although the NAPARC shows a level of commitment to the confessions, which is evident from their actions of removing the Christian Reformed Church, yet the council does not manifest a sufficient commitment to the confessions. This is evident from their allowance of member denominations who have exonerated those who embrace the teaching of the Federal Vision and their allowance as member denominations those who teach a doctrine of creation that does not interpret literally the Genesis creation account. 2) Although NAPARC does address some of the matters that divide its member denominations, according to our observers, there has been little to no discussion during plenary sessions of the threat of the teachings of Federal Vision, especially in the denominations in which office bearers have been accused of teaching this heresy."

Synod took a decision to reject a protest against the decision of Synod 2016 to "Instruct the [Contact Committee] and its Psalter Revision Committee to continue their participation in the interdenominational project of Psalter revision" (Acts of Synod 2016, Article 49, B, 3, p. 61-62). This does not conclude synod's treatment of Psalter Revision. Sometime next week synod will treat the report of the Psalter Revision Committee which is working under the auspices of our Contact Committee.

Synod accepted the invitation of Byron Center PRC to host Synod 2018 which is to convene on June 12 at 8:00 AM.

Synod is scheduled to reconvene on Monday at 8:00 a.m.