

THE LORD'S DAY: October 8, 2017

MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 A.M.

Scripture: Deuteronomy 5

Text: Lord's Day 39

Sermon: **Honoring All in Authority**

I. The Reason

II. The Calling

III. The Promise

Psalters: 403; 15; 243; 48

Offerings: **General Fund**

Benevolence

Offerings next week are for the following causes:

Morning: General Fund and Benevolence

Evening: Trinity Christian High School and Beacon Lights

Nursery this morning: Mrs A. DeJong, Mrs B. De Roon, Jayda V.E., Madalyn V.G.

This evening: Heidi G., Brittany G., Claire V.V., Lydia B.

Next Sunday morning: Shayna D.R., Abbie K., Jayden H., Jessica A., Leah G.

Next Sunday evening: Nicole G., Kassandra H., Shelby A., Emily G.

Ushers: For October: Kevin Warner, Brian Westra, Nathan Westra

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 is "Followers of the Lord" (I Thessalonians 1:6-8). Next week's message will be "Entrusted with the Gospel" (I Thessalonians 2:3-4).

FROM THE CONSISTORY OR COUNCIL

We welcome all visitors worshiping 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.

The baptism of Titus Jay, infant son of Nathan and Lora Maassen, is scheduled to take place this morning. We thank God for the gift of covenant children and pray He will grant the parents the grace needed to raise this little one in the fear of His name.

The sermon this evening will be a preparatory sermon with a view to partaking of the Lord's Supper next Sunday morning. Supervision is exercised over the sacrament, so that only those who are members of our congregation in good standing, or those who have received special permission from the Consistory will be allowed to partake of the sacrament. May we be worthy partakers of the supper of our Lord.

PSALTER SURVEY: A sample of the revised Psalter along with Synod's survey of the denomination regarding Psalter revision was distributed last Sunday. This survey will take work on your part to complete. Since Synod 2017 desired that future decisions about Psalter revision be made in light of the responses to this survey, we urge you to take the necessary time to make use of the sample, complete the survey, and submit your response to the consistory by December 3.

EVENING WORSHIP – 6:00 P.M.

Scripture: Matthew 18

Text: Matthew 18:11-14

Sermon: **Christ Saving the Lost Little Ones**

I. The Lost Sheep

II. The Certain Repentance

III. The Joy in Heaven

Psalters: 267; 382; 342; 211

Offerings: **Hull PR School**

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)

The collection totals for the month of September were General Fund \$21,890.54, Received YTD \$205,667.81, Budgeted YTD \$216,759.78, Benevolent Fund \$2,928.75, Balance \$14,156.77, Building Fund \$4,798.00, Domestic Missions \$314.75, Hull PRC \$12,264.85, Trinity CHS \$5,149.50, Emeritus Fund \$321.25, Pittsburgh Building Fund \$387.75, and Seminary Student Assistance \$610.50.

The membership papers of Herm and Ruth Boonstra and their family and Phil Boonstra have been transferred to Loveland PRC at their request. We commend them to the care of our sister congregation

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today: The Young People's Society will meet at 11:15. We will discuss Eph. 1:19-23.

Jr. Young Adults' Bible Study and Fellowship will meet at the parsonage at 8:00 p.m. We will discuss John 4:1-42: Jesus and the Woman of Samaria.

Monday: The Consistory will meet at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday: Morning classes in Bible History (Grades 1-7): Lesson 6.

Wednesday: 9:45 a.m. Wealth will be studying Lesson 7. Nursery Helpers: Jill Maassen, Jaci Boogerd, and Danielle Warner; Upstairs Helper: Kara Van Den Top; Lunch: Michelle Hoekstra, Kerri Van Der Brink, and Joan Kooima

7:00-Heidelberg Catechism (Grades 8 & 9): Lord's Day 7; 8:00-Essentials (Grades 10 & 11): Lesson 4, Q. 1-5; 9:00-Pre-Confession (Grade 12 and older): Belgic Conf. Art. 12.

Thursday: Martha Ladies' Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Bible discussion will begin with Romans 5:10. Lunch: Pauline Kroese and Marlys Kuiper.

Men's Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Study will begin at I Timothy 4:1. The after recess discussion will be Church Order, Article 33. All men are welcome to attend.

CONCERNING THE CONGREGATION

Joel Van Ginkel is asked to write to Gary Brummel and Colton Hoksbergen to Derick Grimm.

We rejoice with Caleb and Shelby Groeneweg (nee Altena) who were united in marriage this past Friday. May the Lord richly bless their marriage that it may reflect that of Christ and His church.

CHURCH NEWS

Pastor-elect Feenstra accepted the call from Immanuel PRC (Lacombe).

Rev. Smit accepted the call from Doon PRC to be a missionary to the Philippines.

Byron Center PRC called Rev. A. Lanning.

Lynden PRC has formed a trio of Rev. Huizinga, Rev. Mahtani, and Cand. Regnerus.

From the Council of Zion Protestant Reformed Church: The Lord willing, a worship service will be held for the ordination and installation of Cand. Holstege on Friday, October 20 at Faith PRC at 7:00 p.m. This worship service will be live streamed over Faith's website.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

All young adults from the area churches are invited to a night of fellowship at the Pumpkins on Garfield corn-maze on Saturday, October 14, at 7:00 p.m. This event will be hosted by the Hull PRC Young Adults. We hope to spend the evening going through the maze, having a bonfire afterwards with snacks, and enjoying fellowship with each other! Cost will be \$6 per person. Feel free to bring a snack or drink for the bonfire afterwards!

The Young People's Society corn maze activity will be held Friday, October 27, at Pumpkins on Garfield. The rain date will be the 28th. If you need a ride, please meet at church at 6:30 p.m. We will also be having a bonfire after the maze, so bring a lawn chair if you'd like. Each person will need to take \$6 to cover the cost of the maze and the bonfire. Young People with the last names A-M please bring a 2-liter of pop, and last names N-Z please bring a snack to share.

Do you have an instrument that you love playing, but no opportunity to play in a band? Are you in college and playing in band? Well, we have the opportunity for you! Trinity Christian High School band invites alumni and post-high supporters to join with the high school students for two numbers to be played at our December 11 concert at Trinity. If you are interested or need more information, please contact Laura Kuiper at lkuiper@trinitychs.org and let her know what instrument you play. We will need to set up a few rehearsals, but that will be determined later after we find a workable time for everyone. Mrs. Kuiper will get music to you as soon as possible, so you can get your lips and fingers back in shape.

Current, prospective, and retired teachers are invited to the 2017 Teachers' Convention held at Adams Christian School. The dates are October 19 and 20 beginning at 8:15 am. For the schedule, please use the following link: www.prti.org/register.

Here We Stand, the seminary sponsored weekend conference celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, is only weeks away. The first speech is at 4:00 on Friday, October 27, with additional speeches at 7:00 and 8:15. The conference will continue on Saturday morning. The speeches will be delivered by our three professors, Rev. McGeown, Rev. David Torlach, and Rev. Key. Talk to your neighbors and friends and join us at Faith PRC for this important event. The conference will be live streamed on the internet for those who are not able to attend in person. For further information, see our advertisement in the Standard Bearer or visit the denominational website: www.prca.org or 500thReformation.com.

The Edmonton PRCS 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.

With the September 15th issue of the *Standard Bearer*, volume 93 is completed. If you would like your own issues bound, please deliver them to the RFPA office before the end of October.

Byron Center PRC thanks Professor Engelsma for his well-spoken, well attended, and well received speech regarding spousal abuse last Thursday evening. The live streamed event was viewed throughout the country by a surprisingly large audience. The full speech along with the Q & A session is taped and available on the Byron website, byronprc.org. Additionally, the questions that went unanswered due to time restraints, will be answered by Prof. Engelsma and available on our website by October 21.

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 Van Uffelen (jgvanuffelen@gmail.com, 616-218-2772). Please apply before October 27. Candidates should be available to begin teaching on January 3, 2018.