

CORNERSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Bulletin Announcements for May 7, 2017

Next week Sunday, both of our worship services will be conducted by **Rev. Ken Anema** from Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary. Rev. Anema and Pastor Vos are participating with each other in an exchange, with Pastor Vos planning to be at the Indiana State Prison this Tuesday, leading Rev. Anema's morning and afternoon classes.

The AM Offering today is for **The Institute for Reformed Biblical Counseling (IRBC)** – a ministry of Cornerstone URC with a passion to train reformed Christians to counsel in the light of God's truth as well as minister to those who suffer through the Shepherd's way Biblical Counseling Center (tSw) in Holland, Michigan. Dr. Jeff Doll is the director of both IRBC and tSw.

The PM Offering today is for **El Pacto de Gracia (Chicago Heights, IL)** – El Pacto de Gracia is a ministry of Faith United Reformed Church (Beecher, IL), reaching out to Spanish speaking people in the greater Chicago Heights area. In March 2016, Rev. Ruben and Leah Sernas accepted the call to serve, and hope to begin ministering in El Pacto in June 2017.

Next week's AM Offering is for **Alpha Women's Center** – The mission of the Alpha Women's Center of Grand Rapids is to share the hope of Christ with women facing unplanned pregnancies by affirming and promoting the sanctity of human life and strengthening the family through biblical principles. It is Alpha Women's Center's desire to love, support and serve the families. By creating such an atmosphere at their community center, they can assist them as they develop more fully as individuals, and take significant steps toward more rewarding lifestyles. Changing hearts. Changing lives. Changing generations.

Next week's PM Offering is for the **High School Youth Group Travel Expenses** – This collection will help offset some of the travel costs for the HSYG's summer events. This year Cornerstone's HSYG has 16 students and 3 sponsors who will be attending the RYS National Convention July 17-21, 2017, at Biola University in La Mirada, CA. This year Pastor Vos is one of the workshop leaders and we look forward to his instruction on "Where is God When it Hurts?" Cornerstone will be sending 9 students and 2 sponsors to Covenant URC in Pantego, NC, to be a part of the TASC event that will be held, D.V. June 24-July 1, 2017. We also have two students attending the TASC event here at Dutton URC July 8-15, 2017. **We are seeking to raise \$2,360.00** to cover these costs. Please consider giving to these exciting events where our students will grow in their love, faith, and service to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

One More Vacation Bible School Program will be conducted by **Christ Covenant Reformed Assemblies (CCRA), India**. Please pray for **Program 3 THIS WEEK** – Dates: 9,10,11-May-2017 ~ **Place: Tarlampudi**. The theme is PEACE STARS; Time: 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Again, we ask that you please pray for the good weather and safe travels of children. Thanking you all....Your brother in Christ, **Pastor G. Moses, CCRA-India**.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Pre-Profession of Faith Class led by Pastor Doll will begin **TODAY** after the morning worship service. We will be meeting in the **Council Room**.

The Adult Bible Class will meet in the Youth Room after the morning worship service. Currently we are studying the Gospel of John. **Please join us!**

The Post-High School Young Adult Group will meet **TONIGHT** after the evening service.

LOST & FOUND – A Lost & Found table has been set up under Bulletin Board #2 in the narthex. Please take a moment and check to see if any of the items may belong to you.

Men's Tuesday Night Bible Study meets in the Council Room at 7:00 PM. **Please join us!!** Currently we are studying the Gospel of John.

Early Risers meet on Wednesday mornings at 6:30 AM at the Rainbow Grill in Hudsonville. **All men and women, young and old, are welcome and encouraged to join us!**

Ladies' Brunch: **This Tuesday**, all of the ladies of Cornerstone are invited to a Ladies' Spring Brunch at Cornerstone at 9:30 a.m. The purpose is pure fellowship, good food and great conversation! Children are welcome too! **RSVP today by signing up in the narthex or by telling Bonnie Bratt or Brenda Vos.** Let them know if you need a ride.

The Hilltoppers will meet THIS WEEK Wednesday, May 10, with fellowship and snacks beginning at 9:45 AM. At 10:00 AM we will view the 1st half of a DVD titled PATTERNS of EVIDENCE: EXODUS. Most archaeologists have concluded that there is no evidence that there ever was a Biblical exodus by the Israelites. This is the story of a 12-year search to prove that it was an actual event, not just a myth. **ALL CORNERSTONE SENIORS ARE INVITED!**

PLEASE SAVE THE DATES: Please mark your calendar and save the dates of **JUNE 21** at 5:30 p.m. for our Church Picnic and **JULY 31** at 7:00 p.m. for our outing to the Whitecaps Game. More information will be coming about both of these events next month!!! Please reserve these dates for a very special time with our church family!!!

Reformed Mission Services Announcements: are posted on Bulletin Board #3. You can also find this information on our web site at <http://rms.org/announcements/>. Please keep RMS in your prayers as we seek to serve God through these opportunities.

HSYG

HSYG MEETING TONIGHT! **FOOD: Hoekman and De Graaf.** Friends are always welcome! This will be our last meeting of this season. Weather permitting, it will be a time of fellowship around the fire pit. If the weather does not permit the fire side time, we will meet indoors. The High School Seniors will be responsible for the direction of the time together. As always, feel free to invite your friends!!!

TRAVEL PLANS: Information will be coming out soon for our travel plans to and from the RYS Convention as well as for the North Carolina TASC event.

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May 7.	Final Meeting for the season! Food: Hoekman and De Graaf.
June 24-July 1	TASC in North Carolina!
July 8- 15	TASC at Dutton URC!
July 17-21	RYS National Convention at Biola University!

POST-HIGH SINGLES AND YOUNG MARRIED

There will be a **Car Rally and Cook Out** at Bethel URC on Saturday, **May 13**. Depending on the size of the group, the couples will go out in the afternoon at 3:00 PM to eat as a group with the college and career, and then at 5:00 PM, the singles will go out for the rally after dinner. If you have any questions or need more information, contact Gary Veldink at Veldinkconstruction@gmail.com.

There will be a **Young Adult Hymn Sing** held at Bethel United Reformed church on **Sunday, May 21**, Lord willing. Note the new address: 8360 Cottonwood Drive, Jenison. Main dish will be provided. Please bring something to share if you are able. Those with last names starting with A-F may bring a drink, G-P may bring a side dish or salad, and Q-Z may bring a dessert. We hope to eat at 7:15 PM and start singing around 8:00 PM.

MISCELLANEOUS REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Blood donations are needed to save lives.** Hillcrest Church (36th and Hillcrest Road) will host a Blood Drive on **Friday, May 12**, from 11:30 AM until 5:15 pm. Call 1-800-733-2767 for an appointment or see <http://www.redcrossblood.org/>. A donor card or driver's license is required for I.D. Questions? Call Ashley Minor, Red Cross Representative, at 616-514-0790.
- **Letter Carriers' Food Drive** is set for **THIS WEEK Saturday, May 13**. Put your non-perishable donation in a bag by your mailbox. Hudsonville collections will go to **Jehovah Jireh Ministries**; Jenison collections will go to **Love, INC**. See the poster on Bulletin Board #3.
- **ATTENTION ALL FISHERMEN: The Calvinist Cadet Corps** is hosting its 15th Annual Fishing Tournament to raise funds to support its ministry—helping boys grow spiritually in all areas of life. The fishing tournament will be held on **Saturday, June 3**, at Gun Lake State Park in SW Michigan. Everyone is welcome! Lunch will be served at noon. Registration and pledge forms are available under Bulletin Board #3, or online at <http://counselors.calvinistcadets.org/events/fishing-tournaments/>. Join us for a fun filled day! For more information, call the Corps office at 616-241-5616, ext. 4.
- **Help make this Kids Day the best ever! Jehovah Jireh Ministries** is planning its *8th Annual Kids Day* event on **June 10** at the Hudsonville Fairgrounds, and **we need lots of help to make it the best yet**. We need help Friday night for setup, help running games or activities during the event (10:00 AM – 2:00 PM), and help packing up after it is done. If you have a couple (or more) hours to give to this community outreach event, contact Jim Herrema at 209-7688 or jimjamestown@att.net.

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