

CORNERSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Bulletin Announcements for July 16, 2017

Today, our morning worship service will be conducted by **Mr. Confex Makhallira**, an advanced studies student at Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary from Malawi, and our evening worship service will be conducted by **Dr. David Murray**, Professor of Old Testament and Practical Theology at Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary and pastor of Grand Rapids Free Reformed Church.

Next Sunday, our morning worship service will be conducted by **Rev. Steve Poelman**, our missionary in India, and our evening worship service will be conducted by **Rev. Mark Kelderman**, Dean of Students and Spiritual Formation and Instructor in Pastoral Theology at Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary.

RYS' 2017 National Youth Convention will take place **THIS WEEK, July 17-21**, at Biola University in LaMirada, California, *DV*. Please pray for everyone as they travel and for safety during the week. Please also pray that the speakers will be powerfully used by the Lord as they minister to everyone, especially our covenant young people. Photos should be available to view on the RYS Facebook page late every evening. The Sponsors from Cornerstone for this event are: **Kari and Jayson Alsum and Rob Brinks**. The students are: **Jake Alsum, Laine Carbone, Paige DeGraaf, Ethan Dykstra, Averie Dykstra, Trevor and Ashley Kamps, Aly Koning, Nate Moorman, Will Pettit, Austin Schuiteman, Elijah Stuive, Alyssa and Emily Van Beek, Trent Vander Kolk, and Landon Vos**. Our own **Rev. Vos** is leading a workshop on "Where is God When It Hurts?" **Ed De Graaf, Gerald and Marnie Nuiver, and Walt Decker** will also be there representing Cornerstone URC as the Director, Committee Members, and Chairman of RYS, respectively. Young people and their sponsors will be leaving Monday morning, July 17, and returning early Saturday morning, July 22.

The AM Offering today is for **Love INC. (Love In the Name of Christ)** – Love In the Name of Christ's vision is to see Christian churches united in purpose and fully engaged in actively living out their faith by lovingly serving people in need in their communities. Love INC mission statement is to mobilizing local churches to transform lives and communities in the Name of Christ. Love INC was founded in 1977 as a way to encourage churches to become more engaged with people with needs in their community. It was designed to inspire a greater number of Christians to put their faith into action. Love INC's founder, Dr. Virgil Gulker, was a social worker and outreach director in Holland, Michigan, in the late 1970s. Deeply committed to helping people who found themselves in need and lacking resources or a support network, he was certain God had called Christian churches to the same mission. Currently 157 Love INC affiliates in 30 states represent a network of more than 8,600 churches, 9,200 community-based organizations and 100,000 volunteers meeting more than 1,680,000 needs last year.

The PM Offering today is for **Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary** – Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary exists as a dedicated prison seminary to provide theological and biblical instruction within the Christian tradition to residents of correctional institutions within the state of Illinois and Indiana in order to promote moral transformation. The goal of this rigorous program of theological and biblical studies is the moral transformation of residents in correctional institutions so that they can live in hope and joy and be a blessing to their families, churches, and communities

Next week's AM Offering is for the **Mission Fund** – for the support of 7 missionaries throughout the world.

Next week's PM Offering is for **New Horizon URC** – a church plant in Toronto, Canada, where they are in a community of mixed ethnic and Canadian Christians adhering to the historic Reformed Protestant faith. Pastor Mitchell Persaud was sent to Toronto as a church planter and evangelist in 1997. They are now a mission work under the oversight of Cornerstone United Reformed Church in London, Ontario.

CURC Stewardship Report for June 2017

	<u>Fund</u>	Last Month	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference
General		\$23,810.21	\$152,451.31	\$182,727.50	\$(30,276.19)
Building		\$ 4,263.30	\$ 24,610.25	\$ 34,000.00	\$ (9,389.75)

Mission	\$ 3,889.10	\$ 38,764.64	\$ 36,650.00	\$ 2,114.64
Christian Education	\$ 6,789.49	\$ 42,708.46	\$ 40,332.50	\$ 2,375.96

Special Offerings for June 2017

Jehovah Jireh	\$ 765.65
RYS	\$ 873.40
CURC Benevolent Fund	\$ 1,539.72
Hope Centre URC	\$ 670.22
Alliance Defending Freedom	\$ 665.19
HSYG Travel Expenses	\$ 989.24
CLIR	\$ 1,300.51

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOST & FOUND ~ We have a table **under Bulletin Board #2** with items for you to claim. We have sorted the church's **silverware** and have found many miscellaneous pieces which are also on the table—please look to see if any belong to you (many of these are serving pieces). **Also**, on this table is a Bible belonging to **Kenneth Gunneson**. If you know him, please pick it up and return it to him. **THANK YOU!**

The Adult Bible Class will meet in the Youth Room after the morning worship service. **Please join us!**

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!**

Praise Choir is looking for a new director and pianist for the upcoming season. It meets on Family Nights from 5:00-5:45 PM. If you are interested, please contact Jim Dykstra.

LADIES (Junior high age and up) YOU'RE INVITED ~ Mark your calendar for **Thursday, August 17**, at 7:00 PM here at church!!! We are having a baby shower for Stephanie Bratt, to celebrate and love on her and the sweet BABY BOY growing in her womb. If you'd like to contribute for a group gift, please contact Tanya Sterk (616.307.2111). Please don't miss this special evening of fellowship and excitement for this new mama! It's a blessing to be a part of the Cornerstone family, so let's show this new family how much we love and care, and welcome this little babe with open and loving arms! There will be sign-up sheets to RSVP and volunteer for desserts coming soon! Please join us!!

The IRBC Basic Training Course in Biblical Counseling will begin in September. You are encouraged to go to www.reformedbiblicalcounseling.org to read about and register for this course which will equip you to more effectively bring God's truth to bear upon common issues with which people struggle. Don't delay, register today! Registration forms are also available on the narthex table.

Reformation Celebration ~ Come learn and remember the Reformation as we celebrate the 500th year. The event will take place **THIS WEEK Wednesday, July 19**, at 7:30 PM at **Bethany URC** (4301 Byron Center Ave. SW, Byron Center), and our speaker is Dr. Alan Strange, Professor of Church History at Mid-America Reformed Seminary. Bring your family and friends and enjoy an evening of praising God, singing and fellowship. Hosted by the North American Fellowship of Reformed Churches

HSYG

RYS CONVENTION: Conventioneers, please bring all items that cannot be in your carry-on baggage to church **TODAY** so that the sponsors can pack them in the one checked bag for the trip. Also remember the RYS Rules and Dress Code AND that you **WILL** be required to turn in your electronic devices once we arrive at Biola. Looking forward to a great week at the RYS Convention! The HSYG Leaders

THIS WEEK AT CORNERSTONE

- **Zion Christian School** is hiring several positions for the upcoming school year. Teachers, Coaches and Bus Drivers, please see our website for more information, www.zionchristian.net.

MISCELLANEOUS REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **A Light For The Nations: Retreat with a Reason** – You can make an eternal difference in the lives of people in Africa by taking part in a special retreat on **Thursday, September 7**, at Friendship CRC in Byron Center. The featured speaker will be Kendra Smiley, who hosts a daily radio show, *Live Life Intentionally*. There will also be an evening banquet and a piano and vocal concert by Scott Griffin from Captivating Keyboards and Burt Kettinger from Moody Radio. This event is for both women and men, and there are pricing options for all or portions of the retreat. A special offering will be taken to provide Bibles to Africa. A brochure is posted on Bulletin Board #3. For more information and/or a registration form contact Von Gras at 772-1093. **Deadline for registration is Friday, August 7**. (Hosted by Bible League International Volunteers).
- **Right to Life of Holland Area** is looking for a **part-time Administrative Assistant** for 12 hours a week; (days/times negotiable) to assist the Executive Director in daily operations and special events. If interested, please send a resume to: Right to Life of Holland Area, Attention: Ann Wilson, 607 Heritage Court, Holland, MI 49423. Deadline is July 20 by Noon.
- **Is there a precious baby in your family** who is 24 months old or younger on or before August 26, 2017? Enter a photo of your little one in **RTLHA Precious Baby Contest**. Photo entries are from July 1-28 and voting begins ONLINE August 7 and continues through August 26 at 9:30 PM. You can also vote at the RTLHA booth at the Hudsonville Community Fair, August 21-16; \$1.00 = 1 Vote. To submit photos and vote, go to www.rtlhofholland.org and click on the Precious Baby Contest link. Questions? Call Ann or Betty at 616-396-1037.

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