

# CORNERSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

## Bulletin Announcements for October 15, 2017

**Today**, our morning worship service will be conducted by **Rev. Phil Vos**, and our evening worship service will be conducted by **Mr. Phillip Stoffregen** in conjunction with the Post-Classis pulpit exchange. Mr. Stoffregen sustained his candidacy exam at the Classis Michigan meeting last week, and is currently serving an internship at Covenant URC in Kalamazoo. Pastor Vos will be conducting the evening service at Eastmanville URC.

**The AM Offering today** is for **Christian Education** – to assist families with the cost of Christian School tuition.

**The PM Offering today** is for **Mid-America Reformed Seminary** – Mid-America's mission is to prepare pastors as faithful servants of the Word and sacraments in the heritage of Reformed and Presbyterian Churches and by training others to serve in various Christian venues. Mid-America Reformed Seminary glorifies God by training godly men to serve in the ministry of the Word and sacraments. The health of the church and society depends upon the faithful ministry of the Word of God. The primary purpose of the Seminary is to prepare men for the ministry of the Word and sacraments in churches that are disposed to call and ordain men trained in the Reformed faith as confessed in the Heidelberg Catechism, the Belgic Confession, the Canons of Dort, and the Westminster Standards.

**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 **Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary** – From 1995 until the present, Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary has graduated over seventy five students; many other part-time and non-program students have attended throughout the years. Alumni are serving the church in various ways: pastoring, preaching, teaching, pursuing further education, international/domestic missions, and church planting.

### CURC Financial Report for September 2017

Fund	Last Month	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference
General	\$ 23,747.88	\$ 230,728.22	\$ 274,091.25	\$ (43,363.03)
Building	\$ 3,843.46	\$ 37,333.64	\$ 51,000.00	\$ (13,666.36)
Mission	\$ 4,202.01	\$ 57,571.82	\$ 54,975.00	\$ 2,596.82
Christian Education	\$ 6,826.03	\$ 67,166.01	\$ 60,498.75	\$ 6,667.26

### Special Offerings for September 2017

IRBC	\$ 1,127.31
Big Springs Community	\$ 793.26
Gideons	\$ 785.49
CURC Benevolent Fund	\$ 1,543.75
Hope Centre URC	\$ 828.01
Jehovah Jireh	\$ 640.36

**Missionary of the Month:** **Rev. Allen Vander Pol** serves the Lord as the East Asia Coordinator for MINTS. Rev. Allen and Marcia Vander Pol have moved to Kansas City, Missouri. If you would like to contact them or send them a note of encouragement, you can call them at 239.410.0396 or email [allenvpol@gmail.com](mailto:allenvpol@gmail.com).

### GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday School and Catechism classes** will meet today following the morning worship service.

**The Adult Bible Class** meets in the Youth Room after the morning worship service. We are currently studying the gospel of John. **ALL post-high adults are welcome and encouraged to join us!**

**The Women's Bible Study** will meet this week **Tuesday, October 17**, at 9:45 AM for coffee and fellowship with the Bible Study beginning at 10:00 AM. Please do **Lesson 2, Questions 1-6, I Peter 2:4-10** in preparation for our study. **Coffee: Marilyn Dreyer and Lois Morren.**

**Men's Tuesday Night Bible Study** meets at 7:00 PM in the Counseling Room. We are currently studying the Gospel of John. **MEN OF ALL AGES are encouraged to 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!**

**HILLTOPPERS / CORNERSTONE SENIORS** ~ We will begin our formal Bible Study season **THIS WEEK Wednesday, October 18**. This year we will be viewing a series on THE LORD'S PRAYER. After watching the DVD, Rev. Vos will lead us in a discussion. Fellowship and snacks beginning at 9:45 AM, with the lesson starting at 10 o'clock. **All Cornerstone seniors are invited!**

**The Cadets will be hosting a Spaghetti Supper THIS WEEK Wednesday, October 18**, and everyone is invited. Dinner will be buffet style and we will be serving from **5:30 until 6:30 PM**. So come on down and join us for some good food and fellowship!!

**Join us for the Family Night Adult Session THIS WEEK Wednesday at 7:00 PM** in the sanctuary as we begin a Peace Makers class to be taught by Bruce Nelson. The Scriptures call us as Christians to live in peace and to show the peace of God to those around us, but what do we do when conflicts arise? Being a peace maker involves seeking justice along with reconciliation. As God reconciles Himself with us, we must reconcile in times of conflict. This study will be run for four sessions (October 18, November 1, November 15 and December 6) and is designed to help us learn a process for being a peace maker.

**Ladies of Cornerstone—YOUR HELP IS NEEDED** ~ **THIS WEEK Wednesday, October 18**, from 7:35-8:30 PM. **The GEMS are looking for help** with a simple sewing craft and would love your help—think needle and thread, cutting fabric, and glue gun—no machines required. We will provide the supplies—you provide the know-how! Please contact Julie Johnson if you are able to help us out. THANKS!

**Cornerstory deadline is THIS WEEK Saturday, October 21, at noon!** Email [Cornerstory@hotmail.com](mailto:Cornerstory@hotmail.com) or [brendavos8@gmail.com](mailto:brendavos8@gmail.com).

**Reformation Day Pie Social – October 29 after the evening service.** We have a lot of good pie makers in our church and **we need a variety of pies!** Please consider helping us out! **See the sign-up sheets under Bulletin Board #3.**

**Please join us in supporting our cornerstone GEMS ministry.** The GEMS will be having a **Silent Auction** on **Family Night, November 1**. Bidding will start at 5:50 PM and ends promptly at 6:45 PM (as to not interfere with the Adult Class.) Some of the items will be handmade or baked by our GEMS. If you have something you would like to donate, please see a GEMS counselor. We will gladly accept donations! **Parents of GEMS: Please have the girls to church by 5:45 PM. Please have any items for the auction dropped off at church by noon on November 1.**

**SAVE THE DATE: A Thanksgiving Day Continental Breakfast** will be served by the HSYG before the morning worship service. All proceeds will benefit the HSYG trips to TASC and the RYS Convention.

**Looking for Volunteers:** Are you interested in participating in the disaster relief efforts in Houston, Texas? RMS is assembling a team of 10-15 local (W. MI) volunteers to travel to Texas to assist in the reconstruction

efforts. Lord willing, we hope to be leaving Hudsonville on the evening of **November 10** and return home on **November 18**. If these dates will not work for you OR you ARE interested in being a part of this trip, please contact Rob at [rob@rms.org](mailto:rob@rms.org). Further details will be coming soon!

**Disaster Relief Donations:** RMS continues to collect money for Hurricane Relief. If you would like to donate towards this cause, you can make out your check to Reformed Mission Services and send it to: Reformed Mission Services, P.O. Box 582, Hudsonville, MI 49426-0582. Please specify which relief effort you desire your donation to go to by writing in the memo, either: Harvey (Texas), Irma (Florida), or Maria (Puerto Rico). 100% of your donation goes to the cause specified through the OPC Disaster Relief Ministries.

**Upcoming Winter Trips:** RMS has scheduled two foreign trips for the 2018 winter months. First, RMS plans to travel to the Dominican Republic where a team will be constructing a church building and assisting with maintenance on other buildings in the Sabana Boya de Grande region of the DR. And secondly, a trip to Costa Rica, where the team will assist the Tepeyac School prepare for the new school year both at the grade school and the newly finished high school building. We will also be helping out at the CLIR print shop with a variety of duties. If you desire to learn more about these trips and register, please go to [www.rms.org/trips/international/](http://www.rms.org/trips/international/). RMS is continuing plans for trips to Baja, Mexico, Peru, Haiti, and Puerto Rico (disaster relief efforts) and other trips for the upcoming winter season.

**Save the Date - Thanksgiving Benefit Concert** - *Jubilee* invites you to a concert and hymn sing to benefit **Reformed Mission Services** at 7:00 p.m. on **Friday, November 24**, at **Bethany URC**. Come listen to *Jubilee* and *Voices of Victory*, and sing along with the Bethany Hymn Sing Orchestra. No tickets necessary; refreshments following. There will be a donation offering to be given wholly to Reformed Mission Services for hurricane relief, and CDs will also be for sale. Call 616-304-9396 if you are interested in playing your instrument with the hymn sing orchestra.

## **CADETS**

**This week is our Spaghetti Supper.** Cadets should be in complete uniform and be at church no later than 5:00 PM. Each Cadet family and each counselor—please bring 1 pound of browned ground beef and at least 1- 9x13 dish of “Jell-O” salad. Counselors—please try to be at church by 4:30 PM to help set up.

## **GEMS**

**We meet THIS WEEK Wednesday, October 18**, from 6:40-8:30 PM. Please prepare for the following:

- **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Lesson 4 - Who is God?**
- **4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Lesson 9 - My True Identity**
- **5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Lesson 14 - Spiritual Gifts**
- **6<sup>th</sup> Grade: “Before you Meet Prince Charming” - Chapter 3 and Study Guide**
- **7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Bright lights - Set #1: Lesson #3**
- **8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Bright lights - Set #3: Lesson #3**

## **JHYG**

**On Friday, October 28**, the JHYG will be heading to Holland Rescue, Gateway Thrift Store, to assist with various projects. Wear closed toe shoes and meet at church at 8:45 AM. We will wrap up at the thrift store at 11:30 AM then have lunch, returning to church at 1:00 PM. No \$ needed. We look forward to seeing you!

## **HSYG**

- **Save the date for our Christmas get-together** ~ playing broomball at the Georgetown Ice Arena on Saturday, December 23 @ 6:30 PM. More details to come!
- **Looking forward to seeing you all TONIGHT** as we break into small groups to review and discuss Chapter 1. Think about what we discussed on pride last time.



PM: Dan Deppe, Mike Hoeksema

Sound:           **October 15** – Larry Huttinga                      **October 22** – Ron Helmholdt

Ushers:   **October AM:** Joe De Witt, Aaron Batts, Devin Berens, Mason Berens  
                  **PM:** Lance Bonzelaar, John Bouma, Dave DeZwaan, Dan Deppe

### **SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Join us at the **Hudsonville Christian School Foundation Dinner** on **Monday, November 6**, at The Pinnacle Center! This school year we are celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and we look forward to having you join us as we celebrate God's faithfulness to HCS! The evening will begin with a punch bowl at 6:30 PM and dinner and program following at 7 PM. This dinner is held to benefit the Foundation, which raises money for the long-term benefit of the school to keep tuition affordable. Please consider hosting a table and inviting friends or family to enjoy a great evening. To make a reservation or to find out more about dinner sponsorship opportunities, please contact the school office at 669-6689 or email [mdegroot@4hcs](mailto:mdegroot@4hcs) by **October 20**.
- **Unity Christian** has head coaching vacancies in **co-ed Bowling** and in **Varsity Softball**. We are searching for someone that has a passion for the Lord, enjoys working with high school students, and can successfully lead a high school bowling or softball program. If you have any interest or know of someone who might have interest, please contact Unity Christian Athletic Director Jeff Engbers at 669-1820 or [jengbers@unitychristian.org](mailto:jengbers@unitychristian.org).
- **Zion Christian School** is searching for a **Director of Development** to join their staff. Details are available on the school website at [www.zionchristian.net](http://www.zionchristian.net) or you can contact Todd Hoekstra at [thoekstra@zionchristian.net](mailto:thoekstra@zionchristian.net).
- **Zion Christian School** welcomes all military veterans and the Zion community to attend its annual Veteran's Day Assembly to be held in the gym on **Friday, November 10**, at 11:45 AM. This student-led assembly will include a presentation by Ruth Ann (Freswick) Majauskas, who served as a nurse in the US Air Force and is a Zion graduate. The assembly will also include singing and band performances by Zion's students. All veterans and supporters are welcome to attend.

### **MISCELLANEOUS REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Sunset** is hosting their annual resident benevolence **GALA on Friday, October 27**, from 6:00-8:30 PM at the Pinnacle Center in Hudsonville. Sunset's Neighbors are all welcome to join in the celebration with the Purdue Varsity Glee Club, who will lift spirits and help support the older adults in our neighborhood. Please contact Margie Brenner ([mbrenner@sunsetmanor.org](mailto:mbrenner@sunsetmanor.org) or 616.254.8090).
- **SAVE THE DATE! Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary** is holding its fall Shooting Sport fundraiser on **Saturday, October 28**. More information is available on the table in the narthex, or visit the seminary website at [www.divinehope.net](http://www.divinehope.net).
- **Please join us on Tuesday, October 31**, at 7:15 PM for *Sons & Daughters of the Reformation: Appreciating the Blessing and Maintaining the Responsibility*, a 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the Reformation. The event will take place at Heritage Reformed Congregation, 540 Crescent Street NE, Grand Rapids, MI. Those participating will include various local pastors and the Heritage Voices choir. Soli Deo Gloria! See the poster on Bulletin Board #1.
- **Word & Deed Fall Dinner DATE CHANGE:** Due to scheduling conflicts, the Word & Deed Fall Dinner on November 2 **is being cancelled** and will be **re-scheduled in early spring**. Information will be sent out when the new date is confirmed. Thank you for your understanding.
- **Jehovah Jireh Ministries** has an immediate need for someone to help do food pickups on Thursday and Friday mornings, and a truck driver for Fridays. Drivers for the truck only need a chauffeur's license. We also need substitute van and truck drivers for other pickups. **Volunteer sign-up sheets with the relevant positions highlighted are available on Bulletin Board #3.** Please contact Jim or Nate if you can help out. Thank you for caring!

## **ELDER & DEACON DISTRICTS FOR 2017-2018**

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