

# CORNERSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

## Bulletin Announcements for December 24, 2017

**Today**, our morning worship service will be led by **Rev. Phil Vos**, and our evening worship service will be led by **Mr. Tad Groenendyk**, who is a member of Faith URC, a graduate of Mid-America Reformed Seminary and a candidate for the ministry of the Word. **Next week**, both of our worship services will be led by **Rev. Mark Kelderman**, from Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary.

**Rev. Vos** will be out of the office on vacation this week. Please see your District Elder if a need arises.

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

**The PM Offering today** is for **Christ Reformed Church** – a Church plant of the URCNA in Washington DC. The congregation is led by Rev. Brian Lee. At Christ Reformed Church, the Scriptures are at the center of all we do, and we seek to faithfully bear witness to the suffering and glory of Christ by preaching Christ and Him crucified. Our worship and church life are shaped by the biblical pattern of confessing our guilt, proclaiming the Lord's grace, and living lives of gratitude, as shaped by our Heidelberg Catechism.

**The Christmas Day Offering** is for **Reformed Mission Services** – RMS sees its role in supporting local, missionary and church planting efforts as a critically useful resource in carrying forth the ongoing work of making disciples in all the world. Through facilitation and organization of youth and adult service projects and trips both at home and abroad, RMS seeks the realization and fulfillment of the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ acting under the authority and oversight of local Reformed and Confessional congregations through their Consistories. Rob Brinks is the Administrative Director of this organization.

**Next week's AM Offering** is for the **Building Fund** – The Building Fund collection helps pay for the minor and major repairs for our church building. There have been several larger repairs over the past year and we project more repairs in the next several years. The collections will go towards those repairs with excess collection funding a capital reserve for future needs.

**Next week's PM Offering** is for **River of Life Church** (Niagara Falls, ON) – River of Life Church is a URC Church Plant started in 2012. The church is led by Rev. Richard Bultje with a sending church of Wellandport United Reformed Church. Their vision is to bring God's Word to all people in Niagara Falls so that people will come to faith in Jesus Christ and flourish in a worshiping community. Their mission is to show that God is real and is powerfully able and lovingly willing to bring hope and peace to all people through a clear understanding of who Jesus is and what He did.

**Missionary of the Month:** **Pastor Moses and Hepsiba Gurrana** serve the Lord in India. If you would like to send them a note of encouragement, you can email them at [mosescra@gmail.com](mailto:mosescra@gmail.com).

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday School and Catechism Classes** will NOT meet today or next week with the holiday break. We will resume classes on January 7, 2018.

**The Adult Bible Class** will NOT meet today or next week with the holiday break. We will meet again on January 7, 2018.

**Early Risers** WILL MEET this week on Wednesday at 6:30 AM at the Rainbow Grill in Hudsonville. **ALL MEN AND WOMEN, young and old, are welcome and encouraged to join us!**

**RMS Upcoming Trips:** We are still seeking a few volunteers to travel to Costa Rica to assist CLIR, Rev. Green and the Tepeyac Christian School get ready for their new school year. **Deadline for this trip is January 6, 2018. NEW TRIP!** We are now seeking 10-15 volunteers to travel to Ejido-Uruapan, Mexico, **March 3-10,**

2018. We will be working on the church building in Maneadero. Deadline for this trip is **January 31, 2018**. You can register for these trips at <https://rms.org/trips/international/>.

**TASC 2018!** Information will be coming out soon as to the dates and sites for the 2018 TASC events! Leaders: check your mail boxes after the first of the year for posters and registration information.

**2017 Year-End Fundraiser:** As 2017 comes to a close, **RMS would like to thank you for your prayers and support** in this past year! We are closing this year with our annual fundraiser. If you would like to donate, you may do so online at [www.rms.org/donate/](http://www.rms.org/donate/) or by sending in your payment to: RMS, P.O. Box 582, Hudsonville, MI 49426-0582. Thank you for your support!!!

## CADETS

**Cadets will not be meeting this week or next, December 27 & January 3.** Your counselors wish everyone a blessed Christmas and a Joyous New Year. Our next regular meeting will be **January 10**.

## GEMS

**GEMS will be meeting January 3 even though there is no Family Night.** Please be there at **6:00 PM**. Comfy night. Pizza will be provided for just the GEMS and GEM counselors. Please do your assigned lesson:

- **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Lesson 18 – John
- **4<sup>th</sup> grade:** Lesson 24 – Matthew
- **5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Lesson 30 – Biblical world view
- **6<sup>th</sup> Grade:** “Before You Meet Prince Charming” – Chapter 7 and study guide
- **7<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Bright Lights – Set #3: Lesson #1
- **8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Bright Lights – Set #5: Lesson #1

## HSYG

- **Broomball is this week Wednesday!** Sign-up sheet is under Bulletin Board #3 in the back of church. **Sign up TODAY** so we know how many to plan on and grab a flyer for more details. **Come to Pizza Ranch in Hudsonville @ 6:30 PM** (supper is your responsibility) or **meet us at the Georgetown Ice Arena around 7:45 PM** (HSYG will pay for broomball). Looking forward to a fun night! Any questions? Ask Mrs. Alsum.
- Our next meeting is **January 7**. **Please read Chapter 4 in “Pursuing Peace”** in preparation for our discussion. **Food responsibility: Koning and Moorman.**
- Looking for something fun to do **after church New Year’s Eve?** See the bulletin announcement for the Voices of Victory concert at Bethany URC!

## YOUNG ADULTS

**The upcoming LOGOS Winter Retreat** will be held **January 4-6, 2018**, at the Kettunen Retreat Center in Tustin, MI, D.V. Rev. Harry Zekveld of Providence URC in Strathroy, ON, will speak on the topic of “Moving on to Solid Food.” **The cost for Cornerstone URC members is \$175.00.** Post-high singles ages 18-30 are encouraged to register at [www.reformedyouthservices.org](http://www.reformedyouthservices.org).

## THIS WEEK AT CORNERSTONE

|                  |                |   |
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| <b>Today</b>     | 9:30 AM        | Morning Worship Service   |
|                  | 4:30 PM        | Men at Prayer (Counseling Room / Library)                           |
|                  | 5:20 PM        | Song Service  |
|                  | 5:30 PM        | Evening Worship Service   |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>9:30 AM</b> | <b>CHRISTMAS DAY Worship Service</b>                                |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | 6:30 AM        | Early Risers Bible Study / Breakfast (Rainbow Grill in Hudsonville) |
|                  | 6:30 PM        | HSYG Pizza Ranch supper + Broomball (7:45 PM at Georgetown Ice)     |

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

**Offerings:** December 24 AM: Christian Education PM: Christ Reformed Church (Washington, DC)  
December 25 – CHRISTMAS DAY AM: Reformed Mission Services  
December 31 AM: Building Fund PM: River of Life Church (Niagara Falls, ON)

**Coffee:** December 24 – Deb Brinks & Nancy Vander Wey  
December 31 – Rod & Deb Westveer

**Greeters:** December 24 AM: Ron & Dorothy Vanden Bosch  
PM: Randy & Kim Vander Kolk  
December 31 AM: Bob & Geneva Vander Kolk  
PM: Jean Vander Meer & Char Kroll

**Host Family:** December 24: Everyone  
December 31: Everyone

**Nursery Today:** December 24 AM: Sarah Schuiteman, Nancy Vander Wey, Jayden Dykstra  
PM: Amanda Deppe, Sue Gift, Ahnaleigh DeVries

**Nursery Check Today:** Sarah Schuiteman

**Nursery CHRISTMAS DAY:** December 25 AM: Sarah Schuiteman, Kendra Stuive, Presley Schuiteman  
**Nursery Check CHRISTMAS DAY:** Kendra Stuive

**Nursery Next Week:** December 31 AM: Isla Van Noord, Lisa VanDyken, Kathryn Johnson  
PM: Lori Dykstra, Beth Kramer, Taylor Hoekman

**Nursery Check Next Week:** Laura Batts

**Security Check:** December 24 AM: Jayson Alsum, Jeff Berens  
PM: Jon Knott, Matt Moorman

December 25 – CHRISTMAS AM: Bob Warsen, Matt Kamps

December 31 AM: Dan DeVries, Aaron Batts  
PM: Keith Schuiteman, Kevin Schuiteman

**Sound:** December 24 – Ron Helmholdt  
December 25 – CHRISTMAS DAY – Tom Van Dyken  
December 31 – Bob Hulst

**Ushers:** December AM: Patrick Carbone, Steve Wassink, Jonathan Wassink, Dustin Emelander  
PM: Dave Gift, Randy Groendyk, Ron Helmholdt, Michael Hodges

January AM: John Gras, Aaron Gras, Robert Gil, Eldon Hulst  
PM: Glenn Hop, Bob Hop, Steve Hordyk, Walter Horjus

**SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Unity Christian Prayer Calendars for January 2018 are available on the table in the narthex.
- Zion Christian School is looking for a Middle School Baseball Coach. If you are interested, please

contact Joel Bont via email at [jbont@zionchristian.net](mailto:jbont@zionchristian.net) or by phone at (616) 878-9472.

- **Support Zion Christian School** by dining at Chick-fil-A! On Monday, **January 8**, if you dine at the Chick-fil-A on Kalamazoo Ave. (off of M-6), a portion of your sale will be donated to Zion. This applies to all sales between 6:30-10:30am and 5-7pm.

### **MISCELLANEOUS REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Are you saving your Spartan Nash (Family Fare) receipts for Jehovah Jireh??** Please remember that **they need the WHOLE receipt**, not just the bottom or the top part. If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact Jim Herrema at Jehovah Jireh Ministries of West Michigan -- (616) 209-7688 / 437-0960. Thank you.
- **The Voices of Victory** will be holding their annual Old Year's concert on **Sunday, December 31**. Please note that the concert location has changed – instead of at Hudsonville Reformed Church the concert will be held at **Bethel United Reformed Church** - 8360 Cottonwood Drive, Jenison, MI 49428 (formerly First Jenison CRC). As in previous years, you are invited to come and go as you please at any time between 8:00 PM and 11:00 PM. Refreshments will be served. A freewill offering will be taken for Georgetown Harmony Homes. Join the Voices of Victory and their guests, the Sacred Harmonies quartet, and participate in joyful audience singing throughout the evening!
- **Men's Seminar:** You are invited to join with other men at First Byron Center CRC, 8541 Byron Center Ave, Byron Center, on **Saturday, January 20**, from 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM to hear **Dr. David Murray** speak on "*Reset: Living a Grace-paced Life in a Burnout Culture.*" Breakfast is included; admission is free! **RSVP to First Byron CRC, [office@firstbyroncrc.org](mailto:office@firstbyroncrc.org), or call 878-9768.** See the flyer on Bulletin Board #3 for more information.

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

### **ELDERS**

20 Lee De Witt, Vice-Clerk  
18 Doug Ulberg  
20 Jim Horjus  
19 Jeff Berens  
18 Mark De Jong, Chairman  
19 Bruce Nelson  
19 Tom Van Dyken, Clerk  
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19 Walt Decker  
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