

CORNERSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Bulletin Announcements for January 14, 2018

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

The PM Offering today is for **Sioux Falls URC Fellowship** (Sioux Falls, SD) – a church plant of Hills United Reformed Church, Hills, MN, begun in 2005. Rev. Spencer Aalsburg and his wife, Julia, have 4 children (3 daughters and 1 son).

Next week's AM 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 missions, domestic missions, and church planting.

Next week's PM Offering is for **Crossroad Bible Institute** – an international discipleship and advocacy ministry for prisoners and their families. First of all, it equips the church to disciple people in prison with the Word of God, free of charge. It is a personal, in-depth and long-term program that is uniquely designed to help incarcerated persons grow dramatically in a life-transforming relationship with Jesus Christ, preparing them for and assisting them with successful reentry upon release. Second, it advocates for change that will make society more welcoming toward returning citizens.

CURC Financial Report for December 2017

<u>Fund</u>	Last Month	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference
General	\$ 51,890.38	\$ 336,200.65	\$ 365,455.00	\$ (29,254.35)
Building	\$ 8,182.61	\$ 52,196.70	\$ 68,000.00	\$ (15,803.30)
Mission	\$ 7,042.77	\$ 74,270.30	\$ 73,300.00	\$ 970.30
Christian Education	\$ 8,626.78	\$ 88,391.57	\$ 80,665.00	\$ 7,726.57

Special Offerings for December 2017

Mid-America Reformed Sem.	\$ 749.70
CURC Benevolent Fund	\$ 1,314.20
Bethany Christian Services	\$ 605.45
IRBC	\$ 3,920.61
Divine Hope Reformed Sem.	\$ 984.72
Christ Reformed Church	\$ 661.03
Reformed Mission Services	\$ 1,116.25
River of Life Church	\$ 541.33

Missionary of the Month: **Dr. Neal Hegeman** serves the Lord at Miami International Seminary (MINTS). If you would like to send a note of encouragement, the address is **Dr. Neal and Sandy Hegeman, 126 Timber Trace, Anniston, AL 36207**; phone **786-512-0697**; or email them at hegjk@aol.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. **ALL post-high adults are welcome and encouraged to join us!**

CHRISTIAN RENEWAL and OUTLOOK subscriptions expire with the February 2018 issue. Please sign up on the sheets located under Bulletin Board #3 if you would like to continue receiving your subscription or if you would like to begin a new one. A one-year subscription to **CHRISTIAN RENEWAL** is **\$40.00**, and the **OUTLOOK** is **\$22.00**. Please make your check **payable to Cornerstone URC** and place it in the Secretary Mail slot in the Sound Room. **The deadline to sign up is NEXT WEEK Sunday, January 21.**

Family Night is THIS WEEK Wednesday, January 17. We will be having a Soup Supper with Cinnamon rolls and dessert. There is a **sign-up sheet for bringing soup and dessert** under Bulletin Board #3. Dinner begins at 6:00 PM; GEMS meet at 6:40 PM; Cadets meet at 6:45 PM; and the Adult class will continue with the “Peacemakers” series beginning at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary.

The Women’s Bible Study will meet this week **Tuesday, January 16**, at 9:45 AM for coffee and fellowship with the Bible Study beginning at 10:00 AM. **Please answer questions 7-18 (pp. 81-85) of Lesson 5** in preparation for our study. **Coffee: Von Gras and Marcia Vander Klok.**

Men’s Tuesday Night Bible Study meets at 7:00 PM in the Counseling Room. **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!**

The 22nd Annual Cornerstone Women’s Conference will be held on **Friday, March 16** and **Saturday, March 17**, 2018, with main speaker, **Sarah Ivill**, and Workshop Leader, **Pastor Bob Van Manen**. This year’s theme is **“There Is A Redeemer”** based on the book of Ruth. Brochures detailing the conference are in your narthex mailbox. **Registrations are due by Friday, March 2.** This year’s conference price is **\$25.00** / person and includes breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to fellowship with sisters in the faith as we glorify God together and grow in the knowledge of His Truth. **Invite your family and friends!** Extra brochures are available on the table in the narthex or online at www.cornerstoneurc.com.

Mission Center Costa Rica – After many years of hard work, we thank God that the Mission Center is now complete and the process of moving in has begun. So, to celebrate this event, CLIR, Tepeyac Christian School, Pacto De Gracia church and the Joint Venture Committee of Costa Rica would like to invite you to an open house scheduled for **April 6, 2018**. Many of you have been active in the support of this project in many ways and for many years. Now we would love for you to come and see the finished building first hand. **Please RSVP** to jvccrchairman@gmail.com before **February 1, 2018**, so we can start planning accommodations. More information to follow.

RMS Announcements

Prayer: Please be in prayer for the team who is in the Dominican Republic this week, and also for the team who will be traveling to Houston, TX, leaving on January 19 and returning on January 27. The team to Texas include people from North Carolina, Michigan, New Jersey, and California.

Upcoming Trips: We are 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/>.

CADETS

We meet this Wednesday, January 17. Opening ceremonies begin promptly at 6:45 PM; be sure to wear your complete uniform and bring a Bible. **Grades 3-4** should prepare Lesson 12. **Grades 5-8** – please read Genesis Psalm 139:13-24 in preparation for your lesson.

Advanced Notice: January 26-27 is our Winter Campout so we need an RSVP no later than next week, **January 24**. We need a count of all Cadets, dads, and counselor/dads that will be attending. You may fill out the sign-up sheet January 17 or 24 or email your info to cornerstonecadets@gmail.com.

GEMS

We meet THIS WEEK Wednesday, January 17! Please do your assigned lesson:

- 3rd Grade: Lesson 18 - John
- 4th Grade: Lesson 24 - Matthew
- 5th Grade: Lesson 30 – Biblical Worldview

- 6th grade: “Before you Meet Prince Charming” - Chapter 7 and Study Guide
- 7th grade: Bright Lights - Set #3: Lesson #1
- 8th Grade: Bright Lights - Set #5: Lesson #1

JHYG

We meet TONIGHT! Families responsible for lunch are **Johnson, Jim Dykstra, and Decker.**

HSYG

- **The RYS Grand Rapids-area High School All-nighter will be held January 26-27** at the Visser YMCA in Grandville, MI. Basketball, volleyball, dodgeball, pool, pizza and donuts are featured **components of this always fun event. The all-nighter begins at 10:30 p.m. and concludes at 4:30 a.m.** Cost will be **\$16.00** per person. Thanks to those who already signed up. If you still want to sign up, contact Mrs. Alsum.
- **The RYS Convention will be July 16-20** at Dordt College and the **TASC** dates will be distributed **TONIGHT at a short meeting after the PM service in the sanctuary.** See you then!
- **Next meeting is January 21.** We will have a guest speaker! **Food responsibility: Carbone and VanBeek.**

YOUNG ADULTS

All Young Adults are welcome to attend a Hymn Sing at Dutton United Reformed Church on **Sunday, January 28,** for a time of praise and fellowship with other local Christ-centered churches. A potluck will start at 7:00 PM and singing will start at 8:00 PM. Please bring a dish to pass (salad, snack, dessert, etc.) if you are coming for the potluck. The address for Dutton URC is 6950 Hanna Lake Ave SE, Caledonia, MI 49316.

THIS WEEK AT CORNERSTONE

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
	10:50 AM	Sunday School & Catechism classes
	11:00 AM	Adult Bible Study (Downstairs)
	4:30 PM	Men at Prayer (Counseling Room / Library)
	5:20 PM	Song Service
	5:30 PM	Evening Worship Service
	7:00 PM	JHYG
Monday	7:00 PM	Missions Committee Meeting
Tuesday	9:45 AM	Women’s Bible Study (Basement)
	7:00 PM	Men’s Bible Study (Counseling Room)
Wednesday	6:30 AM	Early Risers Bible Study / Breakfast (Rainbow Grill in Hudsonville)
	6:00 PM	Family Night Soup / Dessert Supper
	6:40 PM	GEMS
	6:45 PM	Cadets
	7:00 PM	Adult Class (Sanctuary)
Thursday	6:30 PM	VBS at Presidential Estates
	7:00 PM	IRBC Counseling Class (Basement)

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Offerings: **January 14 AM:** Christian Education
PM: Sioux Falls URC Fellowship (Sioux Falls, SD)

January 21 AM: Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary
PM: Crossroad Bible Institute

- **Jenison Christian School** is searching for a person to direct our 8th Grade play. If interested in more details, please contact Principal Tim Paauw at principal@jenisonchristian.org (616-457-3301).
- **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 or by phone at (616) 878-9472.

MISCELLANEOUS REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Men's Seminar:** You are invited to join with other men at First Byron Center CRC, 8541 Byron Center Avenue, Byron Center, **THIS WEEK 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, or call 878-9768.** See poster on Bulletin Board #3.
- **Looking for some mid-winter fun for an excellent cause?** Bring your family and friends to the **CLC Network** (also known as **Christian Learning Center**) Auction on **Saturday, February 3**, at Calvary CRC (3500 Byron Center Avenue SW, Wyoming). The dinner and silent auction start at 4:30 PM, the live auction begins at 6:00 PM. Bid on merchandise, gift certificates, activities, and much more! Learn more at www.clcnetwork.org.

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
 20 Jim Dykstra
 18 Bob Warsen

Elder Districts

Rev. J. Admiraal – R. Brinks
 I. Brus – D. DeZwaan
 M. Decker – S. Dykstra
 M. Eefsting – L. Holthof
 B. Hop – S. Johnson
 H. Jolman – P. Kuiper
 D. Landheer – G. Nuiver
 J. Nysse – J. Schrier
 K. Schuiteman – W. Sterk

- 18 John Koning
- 19 Walt Decker
- 20 Dave Van Beek, Vice-Chairman

DEACONS

- 18 Jayson Alsum, Vice-Chairman
- 19 Jason Sterk, Benevolent Treasurer
- 18 Jon Knott
- 18 Steve Johnson, Chairman
- 19 Steve Vander Wall
- 20 Gary Veldhof, Secretary
- 19 Keith Schuiteman
- 20 Chad Spoelma

- E. Stuive – P. Van Dyke
- T. VanDyken – G. Veldhof
- W. Veltema – B. Zwart

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- Rev. J. Admiraal – E. De Graaf
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- M. Eefsting – J. Horjus
- E. Hulst – R. Lubbers
- D. MacGraw – B. Potgeter
- S. Regnerus – W. Sterk
- E. Stuive – E. Vander Sloot
- S. Vander Wall – B. Zwart