

CORNERSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Bulletin Announcements for April 8, 2018

This coming Wednesday evening, April 11, at 7:00 PM, the congregation is invited to witness the examination of our seminary intern, **Ottavio Palombaro**, for his licensure to exhort in the United Reformed Churches. This examination is in accordance with the Church Order requirements of the URCNA. This is an exciting time in Ottavio's life. It is also an exciting event and blessing for which our church may play a part.

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

The PM Offering today is for **Gideons International** – The Gideons International, founded in 1899, serves as an extended missionary arm of the church and is the oldest association of Christian businessmen and professional men in the United States of America. The Gideons International is an Association of Christian business and professional men and their wives dedicated to telling people about Jesus through sharing personally and by providing Bibles and New Testaments. While they are known worldwide for their work with hotels, they predominantly share Scriptures in schools and colleges, prisons and jails, hospitals, and medical offices. To date, they have placed 1.9 billion Scriptures and are on their way to 2 billion.

Next week's AM Offering is for **Right to Life Education Fund** – Right to Life of Michigan is a nonpartisan, nonsectarian, nonprofit organization of diverse and caring people united to protect the precious gift of human life from fertilization to natural death. They strive to educate people on identified Right to Life issues, to motivate them to action, to encourage community support for the participation in programs that foster respect and protection for human life. They work on the behalf of defenseless or vulnerable human beings, born and unborn, within our identified life issues of abortion, infanticide and assisted suicide.

Next week's PM Offering is for **Chiesa Evangelica Filadelfia** (Milan, Italy) – Chiesa Evangelic Filadelfia is a fully Reformed church with all three offices (minister, elder, and deacon) in leadership. Pastored by Rev. Andrea Ferrari, they are the only known church in Italy which confesses the Three Forms of Unity and functions with a Reformed ecclesiology. They are a testimony of God's promise to build His church and make disciples through the power of the Gospel.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following Catechism classes WILL MEET TODAY after the morning service to complete their lessons: **7th Grade** (Mr. Dykstra), **8th Grade** (Mr. Horjus), **9th-10th Grades** (Mr. Groendyk) and **12th Grade** (Mr. Nelson).

In light of the conclusion of the Sunday School and Catechism season, **ALL parents and the High School students who are done with catechism** are encouraged to **join us for the Bible study based on Jerry Bridges' book entitled Respectable Sins** as we meet downstairs following the morning worship service. **Grades 3rd – 6th** are encouraged to meet in the **Youth Room** for an activity, and a **Nursery** will be provided for **babies through 2nd grade**. Get your cup of coffee and plan to meet downstairs at 11:00 AM.

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!**

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!**

Hilltoppers: We will begin our "summer," more informal meetings **THIS WEEK Wednesday, April 11**, at 9:45 AM with snacks and fellowship. Then Katie De Jong will speak to us. Katie is home on furlough for a time and will tell us about her work and experiences as a missionary in Africa. Following her presentation, we

will have a potluck lunch. **All seniors are invited. If you have questions, please give Don Van Dyke a call.**

To all of those who supported the HSYG by purchasing succulents - THANK YOU!!! Your plants will be ready for pick up **THIS WEEK Saturday, April 14, between 11:00 AM and noon**, or will be at church on Sunday (April 15). If you have not paid, please have payment ready when you pick it up or place your money in the Hoekman mailbox (checks can be made out to Cornerstone URC HSYG). Please talk to Ashley if you have any questions!

The deadline for the next Cornerstory is **THIS WEEK Saturday, April 14, at noon**. We are looking for the following submissions: 8th, 12th, and college graduate information, High School Spring Sport Athletes, and willing people to share their testimony/faith story!

Congregation: Did you know last year our GEMS earned over \$1,500 for the Walk for Life!! **Please consider participating or supporting them this year too!!** How? **Walk with the Cornerstone GEMS on Saturday, April 21**, or **pledge your support** by contacting a GEM or signing the pledge sheet under Bulletin Board #3.

From the HSYG: Do you have some shopping to do? Make plans to **shop at Bid 2 Benefit** in Hudsonville from **April 23-26**. A portion of your purchase will go to our HSYG to help us fund TASC and convention this summer! More details to come! Look for a flyer in your mailboxes soon.

The Fellowship Committee invites all adults to our Progressive Dinner on Friday, April 27. There's still time to sign up to join the fun! If you like hosting, there are opportunities to host soup or salad, or the main course; or we need volunteers to sign up to bring appetizers or desserts. Hope you'll join us—the more the merrier! See the sign-up sheets under Bulletin Board #3.

RMS Announcements:

TASC 2018! Registration deadline for TASC is **April 30**, so, don't wait until the last minute to sign up! Prayerfully consider attending TASC this summer at one of the 4 locations that have openings yet: Zion URC, Ripon, CA; Faith URC, Holland MI; Ejido-Uruapan, Mexico; and Cornerstone URC, Hudsonville, MI! If you have any questions about TASC or how to register, contact our director at rob@rms.org.

Disaster Response – Puerto Rico. RMS and the OPC have partnered to work together in the area surrounding Arroyo, Puerto Rico. The work to be done is repairing and replacing metal roofing, cleaning and sealing some concrete roofs, repairs to some metal fencing, and painting. The dates for this trip is **May 5-12**, 2018 and the cost is \$250.00 plus your airfare to and from San Juan, PR. If you would like to join the team, or have any questions, please contact Rob at rob@rms.org for the link to register for the trip.

Disaster Response – Jacksonville, AL Tornado: Mission to North America (MNA) an organization of the PCA is mobilizing to assist the people affected by the recent tornadoes in the south. At this time, they are seeking individuals who can clear debris and perform demolition in Jacksonville, AL. If you are able to help out, please go to: <http://stat.pcanet.org/mna/disasterresponse/signin.cfm> to register. If you have any questions, contact Sherry Lanier at slanier@pcanet.org.

CADETS

Rocket Launch THIS WEEK Wednesday, April 11 ~ 3rd – 4th Graders that built a rocket, please meet at Kramer's house (8200 -36th Avenue) on April 11 at 6:45 PM to launch your rockets.

GEMS

Continue getting your pledges as we will participate in the **Walk for Life** on **Saturday, April 21, which begins at 10:00 AM**. We plan to **meet at church at 9:30 AM**, then participate in the 5k fun run or Walk for Life in Zeeland, followed by lunch and playtime at Lawrence Street Park. Questions...call Sarah Moelker.

JHYG

Host Family: April 8 – John & Joan Bouma
April 15 – Pastor Phil & Brenda Vos

Nursery Today: April 8 AM: Eliza Pettit, Jill Spoelma, Amber Vander Kolk
PM: Lisa VanDyken, Bonnie Bratt, Kathryn Johnson

Nursery Check Today: Kendra Stuive

Nursery Next Week: April 15 AM: Sara Gil, Ellen Leighliter, Zoe Dykstra
PM: Carissa Schuiteman, Pam Lengkeek, Kyla Johnson

Nursery Check Next Week: Laura Batts

Security Check: April 8 AM: Randy Vander Kolk, Gerald Nuiver
PM: Dan Deppe, Patrick Carbone

April 15 AM: Jayson Alsum Jeff Berens
PM: Jon Knott, Matt Moorman

Sound: April 8 – Bob Hulst April 15 – Dan Bratt

Ushers: April AM: Duwayne Newenhouse, Gerald Nuiver, Will Pettit, Robert Potgeter
PM: Kevin Schuiteman, Austin Schuiteman, Kurt Schuiteman, Trenton Schuiteman

SCHOOL & MISCELLANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE POSTED ON BULLETIN BOARD #3.
SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS – April 8, 2018

- **Hudsonville Christian School** will continue to celebrate its 100th Anniversary by holding a Celebration Service on **Sunday, April 22**, at 2:00 PM. It will be held in the west gym of HCS on Oak and Lincoln, and will be led by former graduates of our school. Our speaker will be HCS graduate, Pastor Dirk Koetje from Prosper CRC in Falmouth. We are looking forward to seeing you at this service as we celebrate God's faithfulness to our school from one generation to the next. Please join us as we continue "TELLING THE STORY."
- **Mountaineer Pi Run/Walk** ~ Are you looking for a reason to keep your New Year's resolution of getting in shape in 2018? **Zion Christian School's** Athletic Boosters is sponsoring the Mountaineer Pi Run/Walk **THIS WEEK Saturday, April 14**, at 9:00 AM. This is a 5K race with a twist: after triumphantly crossing the finish line, participants can enjoy a delicious piece of pie! Why is it called a Pi Run? A 5K is 3.1 miles and pi is the number 3.14. That's almost the same thing. Basically, we're looking for any reason to combine running and dessert! For more information and online registration, visit www.zionchristian.net/athletics/mountaineer-pi-run.

MISCELLANEOUS REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Philadelphia Conference on Reformed Theology** will be held **THIS WEEK, April 13-15**, 2018, at First Christian Reformed Church of Byron Center. This year's topic is "**The Spirit of the Age: Age of the Spirit**" Michigan speakers include Conrad Mbewe, Daniel Akin, Richard Phillips, and David Murray. See the brochures on the table in the narthex for more information and registration.
- **LADIES:** You are invited to attend the annual **Spring Luncheon** of the "**Zeeland Women's Division / Bible League International**" on **Thursday, April 26**, at 11:30 AM at the North Street Christian Reformed Church (20 E. Main Street, Zeeland). Guest speakers are Pastor Phil and his wife Sonnet Quinn sharing the dramatic story of "Ruth" as she journeys to the land of her mother-in-law and the situations she encounters when they arrive. Come and join us for a wonderful lunch and inspiring

speaker. Luncheon for a suggested donation of \$7.50. An offering will be received for the “Latin America Project.” **For reservations, call Von Gras at 616-772-1093 by April 19.**

- **Word & Deed: Employment Opportunities** ~ Are you passionate about assisting the needy in the developing world? Do you wish to see the Gospel spread? Are you an organized team player? If so, Word & Deed wants to hear from you! We are currently looking for two self-motivated, versatile, talented, and cheerful Christians with a heart for missions and a love for the Reformed faith. The successful candidates will take on responsibilities in Public Relations and/or Project Management. Work location is somewhat flexible. See more details at www.wordanddeed.org.
- **ATTENTION ALL FISHERMEN:** The Calvinist Cadet Corps is hosting its 16th 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 2**, 2018, at Gun Lake State Park in southwest Michigan. For more information, call the Corps office at 616-241-5616, ext. 4, or check out the Cadet website under the “Events” tab. Everyone is welcome! **Registration forms are available on Bulletin Board #3**, or you can register at our website: www.CalvinistCadets.org. Lunch will be served at noon. Join us for a fun filled day!

ELDER & DEACON DISTRICTS FOR 2017-2018

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