

THIS IS THE LORD'S DAY October 1, 2017

**“The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit:
a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou
wilt not despise” Psalm 51:17**

Morning Worship 9:30

Saul's Sacrifice

- I. The Command
- II. The Judgment
- III. The Promise

Read: 1 Samuel 13

Text: 1 Samuel 13:1-14

Psalters: 179, 141, 91, 111

Offerings: **General Fund
Benevolent Fund**

Evening Service 6:00

A Father's Pity

- I. Earthly Father
- II. Heavenly Father

Read: Psalm 103

Text: Psalm 103:13

Psalters: 14, 377, 359, 280

Offerings: **Building Fund**

*We welcome you into the House of the Lord
this Lord's Day. It is our prayer that you
may experience the bond of God's love with
us as we worship His Holy name. Hearing
assistance devices are available at the sound
booth.*

FROM THE COUNCIL

Due to the meeting of Classis and the Officebearer's conference this week, the area churches are exchanging pulpits for both services. Rev. Laning and Rev. Engelsma will be in Calvary. Pastor Griess will be in Doon and Hull.

Tomorrow night the church visitors will be meeting with Calvary's Council at 6:45pm. The

regular council meeting will be held after the meeting with the church visitors.

The Consistory will meet Monday, October 9 at 7 PM.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday: Young Peoples' Society will meet after the morning service.

Creeds Class is cancelled today due to the pulpit exchange.

Next Sunday evening, the Young People and Young Adults will meet at the parsonage to discuss chapters 1 and 2 of *When You Pray*. Pizza, chips, and pop will be provided.

Tuesday: Review Lessons 1-5

Wednesday: Wealth will be studying Lesson 6.

Nursery Helpers: Kim De Jager, Crysta

Brummel, Brittany Kooiker

Upstairs Helper: Courtney Engelsma

Lunch: Danielle Warner, Courtney Engelsma,

Kolette Villalobos

Heidelberg Catechism: LD 6

Essentials: Lesson 4

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Kim Boonstra's white blood cell counts were high enough for her to undergo another round of chemo this week. They gave her a lower dose, but still quite potent. She is doing much better than she was with the last round.

Bernie Driesen received another round of chemo this week along with radiation every day. He is doing very well.

Chayce Cleveringa was diagnosed with chiari malformation on Wednesday. This is a situation where part of the brain is setting too low, and as a result, there is pressure on the brain. This is the source of the intense headaches Chayce has experienced at times. On November 13 Chayce has an appointment with a neurosurgeon to decide the next step.

Let us remember these children of God in prayer as well as others in the congregation with heavy afflictions.

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS

Classis West met this week Wednesday. The highlight of the day was the examination of Pastor-elect Matt De Boer (Edgerton, MN PRC). After careful examination in all branches of theology and the main subjects of practical theology, Classis West voted unanimously to approve the brother for ordination into the ministry of the Word and sacraments in the PRC, and informed the Council of Edgerton PRC that she may proceed to his ordination and installation. That took place Friday evening, Sept.29, at 7 pm in Edgerton PRC.

We rejoice with Pastor De Boer and his wife and their families and with Edgerton PRC and thank God for His sustaining grace evident during the examination.

In other action, Classis voted to approve the emeritation request of Rev. Ronald Hanko (Lynden PRC) due to health issues, effective October 15. We pray for this pastor and his wife and family as he continues to recover from his illness, and as he prepares to enter a new phase of his ministry in our churches.

Rev. Josh Engelsma was appointed to a three-year term as Stated Clerk, replacing Rev. Doug Kuiper (newly installed professor in the PRC Seminary).

On Tuesday, Sept.26 an Officebearers' Conference on the Five Solas of the Reformation was held, also in Hull PRC. If you would like to listen to the speeches on each of the solas, the recordings are posted on sermonaudio.com.

Doon PRC called Rev. Richard Smit as the third missionary to the Philippines.

Candidate Brian Feenstra is considering the call from Immanuel PRC (Lacombe, AB)

Candidate Stephan Regnerus is considering the call from Southwest PRC (Wyoming, MI)

Byron Center PRC has formed a new trio of Revs G. Eriks (Hudsonville PRC), C. Griess (Calvary PRC), and A. Lanning (CERC, Singapore). A congregational meeting will be held tonight after their evening service to call one of these men.

REQUESTED ANNOUCEMENTS

We welcome all visitors to Calvary and thank you for being here. If you would like more info about Calvary we ask that you please sign the guest book. We would love to hear from you.

The HPRCS school board will hold its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, October 4, at 7 PM.

The congregation is invited to join in witnessing the wedding ceremony of Tayler Hoekstra and Erin Van Ravenswaay on Friday, October 6, at 6 p.m.

From the Activities Committee: Update!
Please save the date of October 7 for a fun filled day at the Kooima Corn Maze! The maze will be starting around 3:00 PM for the congregation with supper beginning at 5:00 PM. The cost of the maze is being covered by the church, however, we are requesting that you still bring a donation to help cover the cost of the pizza supper being provided. Also, please bring a lawn chair or blankets to sit on while you eat! The signup sheet remains in the narthex, please sign up with how many plan to attend so that we will have an accurate count for both the pizza and the corn maze. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

All young adults from the area churches are invited to a night of fellowship at the Pumpkins on Garfield corn-maze on Saturday, October 14, at 7:00 p.m., hosted by Hull PRC Young Adults. We hope to spend the evening going through the maze, having a bonfire afterwards with snacks, and enjoying fellowship with each other! Cost will be \$6 per person. Feel free to bring a snack or drink for the bonfire afterwards!

Current, prospective, and retired teachers are invited to the 2017 Teachers Convention held at Adams Christian School. The dates are October 19 and 20, beginning at 8:15 am.

Save the date: Calvary PRC will be hosting Ladies League on Tuesday, October 24.

Do you have an instrument that you love playing, but no opportunity to play in a band? Are you in college and playing in band? Well, we have the opportunity for you! Trinity Chr.

High band invites alumni and post-high supporters to join with the high school students for 2 numbers to be played at our December 11 concert here at Trinity. If you are interested or need more information please contact Laura Kuiper at lkuiper@trinitychs.org and let her know what instrument you play. We will need to set up a few rehearsals, but that will be determined later after we find a workable time for everyone. Mrs. Kuiper will get music to you as soon as possible so that you can get your lips and fingers back in shape.

The 2018 PRYP's Steering Committee is looking to see if anyone has any storage units or space available to begin storing items for the upcoming convention next August. If you have anything available, please contact Nancy Kooima at [712-578-9001](tel:712-578-9001). We would like to have access to these items whenever we need them throughout the year. We would like to know as soon as possible since we already have stuff that needs to be stored. We thank you for this!
-The Steering Committee

Please remember that Prof. David Engelsma's speech "Spousal Abuse in the Reformed Community: Reality and Response" will be given this week Thursday, 7:00 p.m. at the Van Singel Fine Arts Center, 8500 Burlingame Ave. SW in Byron Center (attached to the east end of the high school on 84th St.) The Byron PRC welcomes all parents and young people from all denominations to hear words of instruction, comfort and encouragement regarding this troubling behavior. A time for Q & A will follow professor's speech. We are happy to inform you that live streaming will be in place as well as being able to access the speech later by going to the Bryon Center PRC website and clicking on the appropriate link. (byronprc.org)

HERE WE STAND, the seminary sponsored weekend conference celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation is only weeks away. The first speech is at 4:00 on Friday, October 27 with additional speeches at 7:00 and 8:15. The conference will continue on Saturday morning. The speeches will be delivered by our

three professors and Rev. McGeown, Rev. David Torlach and Rev. Key. Talk to your neighbors and friend and join us at Faith PRC for this important event. The conference will be live streamed on the internet for those who are not able to attend in person. For further information see our advertisement in the Standard Bearer or visit the denominational website: www.prca.org or 500thReformation.com

With the September 15th issue of the Standard Bearer, volume 93 is completed. If you would like your own issues bound, please deliver them to the RFPA office before the end of October.

SPECIAL EDUCATION FALL DEFICIT DRIVE- Please prayerfully consider giving to Protestant Reformed Special Education this fall.

This year we set a goal of \$279,250 to be collected in this year's deficit drive, please look for a letter in your church mailbox or in your home mailbox in the next couple of weeks. Thanks for your continued support and prayers. "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Jesus Christ." Phil. 4: 19

Offerings next week: a.m. General and Benevolent Fund p.m. Christian High School Tuition Assistance & Foreign Missions

Reformed Witness Hour: Sunday-8:00 A.M..KLOH 1050 AM; 5:00 P.M. KDCR 88.5 FM Rev, Bruinsma will bring us "Thanks for the Church" 1 Thessalonians 1:1-4. Next week, the Lord Willing, Rev Bruinsma will bring us "Followers of the Lord" 1 Thessalonians 1:6-8.

Ushers: October a.m. Dillon B, Evan B, Kyle B p.m. Peter B, Adam DB, Chase DG

Nursery: Today a.m. Ellen B, Lindsey VB, Jenna VR, Tatum B p.m. Keisha B, Lori VB, Mary VR, Ty B

Next week a.m. Kim Br, Michelle VB, Nicole VV, Chayce C p.m. Laura C, Kerri VDB, Wendy VD, Maesa C