

“Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God? But even the very hairs of your head are numbered. Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows.” Luke 2:6-7

Peace Protestant Reformed Church This is the Lord’s Day - August 31, 2008

Morning Service - 9:30 AM

“The Baptism of Infants”

I. The Demand

II. The Ground

III. The Blessing

Scripture Reading: Genesis 17:1-14

Text: Lord’s Day 27

Psalter Numbers: 408, 102, 278, 393

Offerings: General Fund & Benevolence

Evening Service - 5:00 PM

1 Thessalonians (2)

“Thanksgiving for the Fruits of Election”

I. The Fruits

II. The Source

III. The Response

Scripture Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1

Text: 1 Thessalonians 1:2-4

Psalter Numbers: 55, 384, 308, 177

Offerings: Domestic Missions
& Foreign Student Fund

Offerings

Last Week’s Offerings: Benevolence: \$459.50 Reformed Witness Hour: \$509.25 Emeritus Fund: \$446.50

Next Week’s Special Offerings: Building Fund & Protestant Reformed Christian School

Announcements

The congregation is pleased to welcome any visitors to our worship services today. Our prayer is that Jehovah God will be honored and that we may all be strengthened by the hearing of His Word proclaimed.

Mrs. Evelyn Poortinga returned home on Wednesday and is continuing to improve. We give thanks to God for the healing that He has already shown to our sister and pray that He will remain near unto her and her family as she continues to recuperate.

Church visitation with the Council will be conducted by Rev. R. Miersma and Rev. S. Key this Tuesday, September 2 at 7:00 PM. We covet the prayers of the congregation as this important function of our federation of churches is exercised.

Classis West will meet Wednesday, September 3, in our sanctuary. May God bless the proceedings of Classis for His glory and for the good of the church of Jesus Christ.

The regular Deacons’ Meeting is scheduled to take place this Wednesday, September 3.

Anyone who would like to add or remove their name from the Nursery Attendants list is asked to please contact Mrs. Carmen Mingerink at (708) 543-7027 this week.

The Lord willing, the baptisms of Ava Nicole, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephan and Jennifer DeJong, and Erika Lynn, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew and Stacy DeJong, will take place on Sunday morning, September 14.

Catechism: Monday night catechism will begin September 15, and Wednesday afternoon catechism will begin September 17. The materials for this year’s catechism classes can be picked up from the table in the back of church. A new class will be held this year on Monday nights at 9:00 PM, after Essentials. Those who have completed Essentials, but have not yet made profession of faith are required to attend. Others who may be interested are also invited to attend. This year we will study the Belgic Confession.

Newsletters from our missionaries in Spokane, WA, and Pittsburgh, PA, are available in the bulletin racks.

The Council will soon be making nominations for the office of elder and deacon. According to Article 22 of the Church Order, the congregation is asked to prayerfully consider men who would fulfill the qualifications as set forth in I Timothy 3 and Titus 1:5-9 for these offices and submit their suggestions to the Council.

Senior and Junior Adult Bible Societies: Please plan to attend a Pre-season Combined Society Cookout. The cookout will take place Saturday, September 13, at 5:30 PM at the home of Rev. and Allison Spronk. The activities committee asks that you sign up on the bulletin board for food to bring. Please also be informed that we will ask for \$2 per person to cover the price of meat. Don’t forget to bring a lawn chair and a Psalter for the night. We hope to see you there and hope this kicks off a great society season.

CD or tape copies of sermons are available upon request. Simply complete the “Sermon Request” form on the back bulletin board, and remember to pick up your copy from the bookshelf.

This morning’s message on the Reformed Witness Hour was “Knowledge vs. Knowledge and Love,” based on I Corinthians 8:1-3. Listen next week to WYLL, 1160 AM, at 8:00 to hear “The Wall of Separation Broken Down,” from Ephesians 2:11-15.

Church News

Providence PRC has extended a call to Candidate Heath Bleyenbergh to serve as their first pastor.

The trio of Calvary PRC consists of Candidate Heath Bleyenbergh, Rev. W. Langerak, and Rev. R. Hanko.

Rev. J. Slopsema is still considering the call to labor at Grace Protestant Reformed Church.

Requested Announcements

The first meeting of the Women’s Bible Study will take place on Wednesday, September 17, at Cornerstone PRC. If your child will be attending the Children’s Story Hour, you are asked to please call either Jessica Vermeer at (219) 558-8553, or Stacy Bruinsma at (219) 558-2006 by September 8 so they can have an approximate number of children attending this year.

The PRCS Finance Committee would like to thank all those that contributed to our school over the past fiscal year. Our goal was \$109,700.00, and we were able to collect through envelopes, dues and collections \$107,987.00. We ask that you continue to pray for our school throughout the upcoming year. Above all we thank our Father in heaven from Whom all blessings flow.

Reformed Fellowship will meet on Sunday, September 14th at 7:15 in the Music Room of our school. We will continue our study of the book of Ephesians. Old and new members are encouraged to come.

Seminary Convocation will be held this Wednesday, September 3, at 7:30 PM, in Trinity PRC. Prof. R. Dykstra will speak on the topic “Seminary and Saints: A Reciprocal *Sine Qua Non*.” Everyone is invited, and encouraged, to attend.

The Hope Heralds, a male chorus from the Grand Rapids area Protestant Reformed churches, will present a program at Cornerstone PRC on Sunday, September 14, after the evening service. Please plan on attending to support this group.

Visitors for Katheryn Poortinga: This Week: Kim M. Next Week: Jessica V.

Nursery Schedule

This Week

AM - Janelle DJ., Jennifer DJ., Jenna B.

PM - Gina H., Kristin W.

Next Week

AM - Lisa K., Carmen M., Danielle B.

PM - Heidi P., Lauren W.

Usher Schedule

August

AM - Adam B., Joel H., Brian B.

PM - Nate H., Scott VDG., Jeremy H.

September

AM - Mike V., Lee W., Greg B.

PM - Aaron L., David V., Michael DJ.