

“For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.”

Revelation 7:17

Peace Protestant Reformed Church

This is the Lord’s Day - December 14, 2008

Morning Service - 9:30 AM

“Honoring Those in Authority”

I. Positions of Authority

II. Submission to Authority

III. The Blessing Promised

Scripture Reading: Colossians 3

Text: Lord’s Day 39

Psalter Numbers: 348, 337, 223, 49

Offerings: General Fund & Benevolence

Evening Service - 5:00 PM

“The Star Out of Jacob”

I. The Royal Star

II. The Smitten Enemies

III. The Protected Church

Scripture Reading: Numbers 24

Text: Numbers 24:17-19

Psalter Numbers: 265, 179, 121, 87

Offerings: Evangelism & HCHS

Offerings

Last Week’s Offerings: Benevolence: \$411.25 Emeritus: \$267.40 PRCS: \$133.50

Next Week’s Special Offerings: Seminary Student Fund & PRCS Building Fund

Weekly Calendar

Sunday: 11:15 AM - Choir

Monday: 7:00 PM - Heidelberg Catechism: Lord’s Day 39 - Memory and Written Work

8:00 PM - Essentials: Lesson 22 - Written Work

9:00 PM - Belgic Confession Class: Article 17

Tuesday: 7:45 PM - Combined Junior & Senior Bible Studies Christmas Meeting

Wednesday: All Classes - Review of Lessons 6-10

7:30 PM - Council Meeting

Announcements

The congregation is pleased to welcome any who are visiting with us today. We pray that together we might be blessed by the singing of psalms, the offering of gifts, the entering in unto prayer, and the hearing of God’s Word.

Christian sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Dan and Jessica Wiersma and family. It pleased God to take their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Evelyn Poortinga, to her eternal home with Him last week. May the family find comfort and peace in the beautiful promise given to us in I Corinthians 15:57. “But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

The consistory has received the membership of Mr. and Mrs. Justin and Melissa Verburg and their baptized daughter Cadence Bethany from the South Holland PRC. We welcome them into our fellowship and pray that they might be blessed in their new church home. For the church directory: 3358 Ann Street, Lansing, IL 60438. Phone: (708) 251-2544.

“We the family of Evelyn Poortinga wish to express our deep and sincere thanks for all you have done for our family and especially for our mother over the last 20 years since our father passed away. You have been faithful in your calling to care for the widows. Thank you for the meals, visits, prayers, offers of help, and help. In times like these it is wonderful to be part of the family of God and to experience the communion of the saints.” Psalm 71:18 “Now also when I am old and gray headed, Oh God, forsake me not; until I have showed thy strength unto this generation and thy power to everyone that is to come.”

From the Evangelism Committee: The brochure that lists the pamphlets we have available for distribution has been updated and is available in the back of church. The distribution of pamphlets is one way that we seek to spread Biblical, Reformed doctrine. We encourage the members of the congregation to take several copies of the

brochure and hand them out as opportunity may arise.

The combined Junior and Senior Society Christmas meeting will be this Tuesday, December 16 at 7:30 PM. Study material on Isaiah 9:6 can be found in the bulletin rack. There is a sign up sheet for food on the bulletin board.

Church News

Rev. Bruinsma declined the call to serve as missionary in the Philippines.

Byron Center has called Rev. G. Eriks to serve as their next pastor.

Requested Announcements

The choir of Heritage Christian High School will be giving a concert tonight at Cornerstone PRC at 7:00 PM.

The Heritage Christian High School board will meet on Wednesday, December 17, at 8:00 PM at the school.

The Annual PRCS Christmas Program will be this Thursday, December 18 at Cornerstone PRC at 7:30 PM (doors open at 6:45). The theme is “The Light of the World is Jesus.” A nursery will be provided.

The Ladies’ Auxiliary project of printing a Chicago area PR Church directory is finished. They will be available at the cost of \$5.00 at the combined society Christmas meeting, or contact Wanda Bruinsma.

The PRCS Calendar is completed. Copies can be purchased in the school office for \$10. You may also call Amy Bauer at (219) 374-5855 or Evelyn DeJong at (708) 895-5630 for a calendar. Thank you for your support.

Our PRCS Transportation Committee requests your help to clean and wax our buses at DeJong Farm, Tuesday, December 30 at 6:30 PM. Pizza and pop will be provided, age limit is high school and older.

The Activities Committee of Cornerstone PRC is hosting a Christmas Carol Sing next Sunday, December 21 following the evening worship service. Please join us as we celebrate this special time of year.

The South Holland Young People will be hosting a SOUP SUPPER on Friday, March 13, 2009.

Thanks to everyone for supporting the PRCS’s band program with a successful poinsettia and cookie dough sale, a special thank you to all the ladies who worked at this project. A profit of over \$2,600 was raised for our band program.

The Heritage Christian High School board reports the status of the General Fund contributions for collections, envelopes, and dues at November 30, 2008 in the amount of \$26,467 leaving a balance of \$96,318 yet to be collected by July 31, 2009 of the total year goal of \$122,78. Thank you for your continued support.

The PRCS finance committee reports that in the first four months of our fiscal year we have collected \$38,429.67 in dues, collections, and envelopes. The total needed for the year is \$114,930. Thank you for your support.

Assistant Needed: Loveland Protestant Reformed Christian School is in need of a part-time assistant for a special needs student. We desire that this paid position be filled by early spring and continue into the 2009-2010 school year. Please contact Jordan Kamps (970) 776-8151 or Rob Van Uffelen (970) 593-9047 with any questions. Interested persons should give a written response to apply and mail to LPRCS, 705 E. 57th Street, Loveland, CO 80538.

Visitors for Katheryn Poortinga: This Week: Kim M. Next Week: Mary W.

Nursery Schedule

This Week

AM - Beth VDG., Mary W., Beth H.

PM - Jessica V., Hannah V.

Next Week

AM - Amy B., Carrie B., Kelly W.

PM - Liz B., Lauren W.

Usher Schedule

December

AM - David V., Michael, DJ., Daniel T.

PM - David W., Adam B., Joel H.

January

AM - Brian B., Scott VDG., Jeremy H.

PM - Nate H., Mike V., Lee W.