

“Thy mercy, O LORD, is in the heavens; and thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds.”
Psalm 36:5

Peace Protestant Reformed Church

This is the Lord's Day - October 12, 2008

Morning Service - 9:30 AM

“Why Good Works?”

- I. Their Necessity
- II. Their Inevitability
- III. Their Purpose

Scripture Reading: Acts 3

Text: Lord's Day

Psalter Numbers: 280, 84, 311, 1

Offerings: General Fund & Benevolence

Evening Service - 5:00 PM

I Thessalonians (7)

“Suffering Persecution: The Church's Common Lot”

- I. The Church's Suffering
- II. The Church's Temptation
- III. The Church's Safety

Scripture Reading: I Thessalonians 2:13-3:8

Text: I Thessalonians 2:14-16; 3:4-6

Psalter Numbers: 297, 64, 80, 69

Offerings: Domestic Missions & HCHS

Offerings

Last Week's Offerings: Benevolence: \$510.75 Building Fund: \$383.61 PRCS: \$550.25

Next Week's Special Offerings: Standard Bearer & PRCS Building Fund

Weekly Calendar

- Monday: 7:00 PM - Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 31 - Memory Work and Workbook
8:00 PM - Essentials: Lesson 18 - Memory Work
9:00 PM - Belgic Confession Class: Articles 5-7 of the Belgic Confession
- Tuesday: 7:45 PM - Senior Adults Bible Study
- Wednesday: OT for Beginners Grades 1-3: Lesson 5 - Memory Work
NT for Juniors & Seniors, Grades 4-5 & Grades 6-7: Lesson 5 - Memory Work and Workbook

Announcements

A warm welcome is extended to any who are visiting with us today. We give thanks to God that we might meet together in freedom in order to offer our worship to Him.

Our pastor will be on vacation this week. He will be out of town Thursday and Friday, so anyone who has pastoral needs should contact one of the elders. Mr. Dan Holstege will be preaching for us next Sunday. The evening service next week will be preparatory for celebrating the Lord's Supper on October 26, the Lord willing.

Choir will begin practice on October 19 after the morning service. Anyone high school age and older is encouraged to join us as we sing songs of praise and gratitude to our God.

The membership of Miss Rosanna Hanco has been transferred at her request to the Lynden PRC. May our Lord grant our sister the rich fellowship of the saints and all the blessings of the covenant life in her new church home.

The October Council meeting has been rescheduled to next week Thursday, October 23, at 7:30 PM.

The Senior Adults Bible Study is scheduled to meet this Tuesday evening. Discussion will begin with Amos 3:13. Kim M. & Brenda W. are on the refreshments committee.

A newsletter from Rev. Bruinsma, missionary in Pittsburg, is available in the bulletin racks.

If you would like a copy of a sermon, please use the “Sermon Request” form located on the bulletin board in the back of church. If you have requested a sermon, your copy can be found on the bookshelf.

This Sunday's message on the Reformed Witness Hour was “A Promise to the Single Members of God's Covenant.” Tune in to 1160 AM, next Sunday at 8:00 AM to hear “Use Hospitality” based on I Peter 4:9.

Church News

On October 19, 2008 Byron Center Protestant Reformed Church will be commemorating, with much thanks to

our covenant God, its 25th anniversary as an organized congregation. Its two former pastors, Rev. Doug Kuiper and Prof. Barrett Gritters will lead the congregation in worship on that day and a short program will follow the evening service. God be praised for His great goodness.

Ordination for Pastor-elect H. Bleyenbergh will take place on October 23 at 7:00 PM at Faith Church in Jenison. Revs. Kleyn and VanOverloop continue to consider their respective calls to the Philippines and Grace PRC.

Requested Announcements

The PRCS Board and the HCHS Board inform their Associations that there will be a special Association meeting on October 22, 2008 at 7:30 PM in the school gym. The HCHS Association will meet first followed by the PRCS Association immediately afterward. All members are urged to attend these important meetings.

Anyone who wishes to make an addition or correction to the Ladies' Auxiliary school calendar is asked to please contact either Evelyn DeJong at (708) 895-5630 or Amy Bauer at (219) 374-5855.

You are invited to Matt and Stephanie Medema's house for an informal psalm-sing this Friday night, October 17, starting at 7:00 PM. Feel free to come and go as you please. Bring your Psalters and a snack if you like.

Rev. C. Hanco's memoirs, as seen in the 2005-2008 *Beacon Lights*, will be sent to the publisher soon. We hope to have the books ready for you before the end of the year. Please keep in mind that we are printing a limited number of books and are not planning on a second printing. If you would like to order a copy, at the cost of \$6-8 each, please contact Karen Van Baren at (219) 374-6555, karenvanbaren@sbcglobal.net, or Sharon Kleyn at (616) 748-8038, dskleyn@sbcglobal.net. Your money will be due on receipt of your book.

The South Holland Young Adults are planning a retreat for June 2-4, 2009. Reserve the dates! You won't want to miss their spiritual and fun Chicago experience! More information to follow in the coming months.

The Illiana Oratorio Society begins rehearsing for Handel's *Messiah* on Monday, October 20, at 8:00 at First Christian Reformed Church, 16248 South Park Ave., South Holland. Performance date is December 7, 2008.

The 54th Annual Teachers' Convention will be held October 16-17 at PRCS. The theme this year is “Steadfast Labor,” and Rev. N. Langerak will be giving the keynote address. Those interested in attending should contact Katie Baatenburg at (616) 886-7536, or e-mail at kthk23@hotmail.com.

The Protestant Reformed School in Wingham would like to announce that it plans to start school in September 2009, D.V. We hope to have about 26 students from grades K-12. To this end we are seeking applicants for two teaching positions. Those applying should be members of the PR churches. For more information, please contact Mr. Harvey Kikkert at (519) 523-4823, or e-mail hkikkert@hurontel.on.ca.

Lynden Young Adults Retreat: The Lynden Young Adults are planning a retreat for next summer, July 20-23, 2009! Save the date on your calendar and plan to join us for this great time of Christian fellowship and fun while enjoying the beautiful scenery of northwest Washington. More information to come in the next months!

The South Holland PRC Evangelism Committee is having a Reformation Lecture on October 31, 2008. The lecture will be held at Cornerstone PRC at 7:00 PM. Professor Hanco will speak on the topic “The Reformed Ecumenical Movement: *Was the Reformation a Mistake?*” Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Visitors for Katheryn Poortinga: This Week: Matt & Stephanie M. Next Week: Stacy DJ.

Nursery Schedule

This Week

AM - Gina H., Ruth F., Rachel W.

PM - Alyssa K., Lauren W.

Next Week

AM - Lisa K., Shanda H., Melinda DJ.

PM - Mary Jo T., Emily DJ.

Usher Schedule

October

AM - Daniel T., David W., Adam B.

PM - Joel H., Brian B., Nate H.

November

AM - Scott VDG., Jeremy H., Mike V.

PM - Lee W., Greg B., Aaron L.