

*“But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.”  
I Corinthians 15:20*

**Peace Protestant Reformed Church**  
This is the Lord's Day - April 12, 2009

**Morning Service - 9:30 AM**

“Resurrection Peace”

- I. What It Is
- II. How it is Communicated

Scripture Reading: John 20:1-23

Text: John 20:19-20

Psalter Numbers: 200, 42, 232, 83

Offerings: General Fund & Benevolence

**Evening Service - 5:00 PM**

Despised and Rejected of Men (5)

“Jesus Instructs Doubting Thomas”

- I. Thomas' Initial Doubt
- II. Jesus' Loving Instruction
- III. Thomas' Confident Confession

Scripture Reading: John 20:24-31

Text: John 20:24-29

Psalter Numbers: 237, 89, 152, 190

Offerings: Foreign Student Fund  
& Heritage Christian High School

**Offerings**

Last Week's Offerings: Benevolence: \$452.80 RFP: \$333.00 PRCS: \$301.25

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

**Weekly Calendar**

- Monday: 7:00 PM - Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 51  
8:00 PM - Essentials: Lesson 29 - Extra Work  
9:00 PM - Belgic Confession Class: Articles 31-32
- Tuesday: 7:45 PM - Senior Adult Bible Study
- Wednesday: OT for Beginners Grades 1-3: Lesson 24 - Memory Work  
NT for Juniors & Seniors, Grades 4-5 & Grades 6-7: Lesson 24 - Memory Work and Workbook  
7:30 PM - Council Meeting

**Announcements**

A warm welcome is extended to any who are visiting with us today. We give unto God our most hearty praise and thanksgiving as we celebrate the glorious resurrection of our Lord and Savior.

Next Sunday evening's sermon will be preparatory as we anticipate celebrating the Lord's Supper on April 26.

The memberships of Mr. and Mrs. Robert and Shelby Holleman, together with their children Taylor Ann, Jake Robert, and Riley Kate have been received from South Holland PRC. The Lord willing, the baptism of Riley will take place next Sunday morning, April 19. We welcome this family into our congregation. Their address is 408 Blackstone St. Thornton, IL 60476. Phone: (708) 877-6860.

At its April 9 meeting, the consistory heard and accepted the confessions of faith of Mr. Calvin Bruinsma and Miss Leticia Fuentes. With thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father, the consistory announces that their public professions of faith will take place during the evening service of April 26. If anyone has lawful objection, he must notify the clerk of the consistory. “And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.” Acts 2:47b. Address: Leticia Fuentes, 2147 Meadow Lane, Apt. 7, Schererville, IN 46375. Phone: (219) 433-9807.

The Senior Adult Bible Study meets this Tuesday. Discussion will begin at Amos 9:11. Marilyn DJ. and Anita R. are asked to supply the refreshments. Advanced Notice: members of the Senior Bible Society are invited to a Progressive Dinner on Friday, May 1. More information at this week's meeting.

The monthly Council Meeting is scheduled for this Wednesday evening.

Everyone is invited to attend the annual combined Bible Study to be held at Cornerstone PRC on April 28 at 7:30 PM. Dessert and coffee will be served following the study. Study sheets will be out soon.

Please see the bulletin racks for the latest newsletter from our missionary in Pittsburgh.

The Young People's Society invites the Junior Adult Bible Society to a Gym Night on Friday, April 24 starting at 6:00 PM at school. Cost will be \$5 per person for pizza and pop. Please sign up on the back bulletin board.

From the Reformed Witness Hour: The Reformed Witness Hour has not cancelled the Chicago area broadcast of the Reformed Witness Hour, and plans to continue the program on the same station, AM 1160 WYLL, at 8 AM each Sunday. We have appreciated your support in the past and ask that our members and friends continue to give directly to the Reformed Witness Hour through the regular collections and/or special gifts.

If you would like a copy of a sermon, please fill out 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.

**Church News**

Doon PRC has called Rev. D. Kleyn to serve as missionary to the Philippines, Immanuel PRC in Lacombe has called Rev. VanderWal to “come over and help them,” and Byron Center PRC has extended a call to Rev. Key.

**Requested Announcements**

Women's Bible Study meets this Wednesday. Children's Bible Story Hour will be on the 10<sup>th</sup> Commandment. Infant Nursery: Cindy Z., Bobbi R. Toddler Nursery: Allison S., Stephanie M., Lisa K. Refreshments: Beth VDG., Bobbi R. Set-Up & Take Down: Allison S., Lisa K., Jammie B.

The “La Fiesta” Auction hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Protestant Reformed Christian School is this Friday, April 17 at our school. Dinner will begin at 5:30 PM and the auction at 6:30 PM. Please join us for an evening of food and fellowship as we support our school. The large peg boards used for display at the auction are missing. If anyone knows where they are, please contact Karen DeJong (708) 333-8423 or Lisa Ophoff (219) 365-3424.

Reformed Fellowship will meet Sunday evening April 19<sup>th</sup> at our school. Snack at 7:30 (Robin/Becky) followed by our continued study on the book of Ephesians.

REMINDER: South Holland Young Adult Retreat forms for the June 2-4, 2009 retreat must be postmarked by April 13<sup>th</sup>, and received by Grace DeJong by April 18, 2009. If you have any questions, please call Grace at (708) 927-7191. Hope to see you there!

We are looking for chaperones for the Protestant Reformed Young People's Convention on August 17-19, 2009. Join us for a spiritually-edifying and fun-filled week! Please contact Shon or Brenda Griess (616) 895-1237, [sgriess@charter.net](mailto:sgriess@charter.net) with questions or visit our website [www.prcconvention.com](http://www.prcconvention.com) to print an application.

**Teacher:** The Loveland Protestant Reformed Christian School (Loveland, CO) is looking for a teacher or administrator for the 2009-2010 school year. Interested parties may contact board president Steve Ezinga at (970) 663-0474 or [sjzing@aol.com](mailto:sjzing@aol.com) or board secretary John Tolsma at (970) 622-9797 or [jet-lorinda@earthlink.net](mailto:jet-lorinda@earthlink.net).

**July 27-30 Loveland Middle Age (27+) Retreat:** Rev. Miersma will speak on the theme “Our Place in the Body of Christ,” based on Ephesians 4:1-7 at our retreat for 27+ aged single adults, DV. We are planning for a retreat to take place July 27-30 in beautiful Larkspur, Colorado. You may register before June 1 at <http://ezregister.com/events/194/>. Please see the bulletin board for a flyer with additional details.

July 7, 14, 21, 28 - The Reformed Witness Committee of Hope PRC (Walker, MI) will present the 2009 Summer Class Series on each Tuesday in July at 7:30 PM. Prof. H. Hanko is scheduled to speak on the theme “The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit.” For more information, please contact Ryan Morris at (616) 457-4676 or [hoperwc@gmail.com](mailto:hoperwc@gmail.com).

**Requested Announcements (con't.)**

“Calvin as Model for Reformed Ministers” is the first speech of the Calvin Conference, designed for everyone who wants to learn from John Calvin’s ministry. Pastors will see the breadth of Calvin’s ministry and how it applies to their ministries today...and aim higher. Elders will learn what Biblical standards Calvin set for pastors. Must all pastors meet these standards? And every church member will learn what makes a faithful, reformed pastor today...from a pastor born 500 years ago. Prof. Gritters, Professor of Practical Theology and New Testament will tailor the first message of our conference so that it is of interest to men and women, young people and children, pastor and common member. Plan to attend! Calvin Conference, Sept. 3-5, 2009.

Future Teachers and Ministers: The topics, eligibility, and submission requirements for the Protestant Reformed Scholarship Fund essays are available. Please email Michelle Looyenga at [michellel@coriumintl.com](mailto:michellel@coriumintl.com) or call (616) 745-9152 for more information. All essays must be received by May 31<sup>st</sup>.

The *Faith Young Adults Society* is hosting a speech/discussion on the theme, “**Accepting God’s Will in Prayer**”, on **Sunday, April 19 at 8:15 PM**. Open discussion will follow a speech by Rev. Andrew Lanning. Refreshments will be provided. We encourage all Young Adults to invite friends and join us.

**Visitors for Katheryn Poortinga:** This Week: Jen L. Next Week: Bart & Tillie Z.

**Nursery Schedule**

**This Week**

AM - Jessica V., Beth VDG., Jacob F.  
PM - Mary W., Kristina K.

**Next Week**

AM - Beth V., Amy B., Beth H.  
PM - Carrie B., Hannah V.

**Usher Schedule**

**April**

AM - David V., Greg B., Lee W.  
PM - Aaron L., Daniel T., David W.

**May**

AM - Michael DJ., Mike V., Joel H.  
PM - Jeremy H., Brian B., Adam B.