

“And now abideth faith, hope, and charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.” I Corinthians 13:13

Peace Protestant Reformed Church

This is the Lord's Day - February 14, 2010

Morning Service - 9:30 AM

“The Believing Family”

I. Its Make-up

II. Its Focus

III. Its Happiness

Scripture Reading: Psalm 128

Text: Psalm 128

Psalter Numbers: 237, 325, 128, 278

Offerings: General Fund & Benevolence

Evening Service - 5:00 PM

The Savior's Words on the Cross

“The Prayer for Forgiveness”

I. Its Amazing Content

II. Its Limited Scope

III. Its Certain Effect

Scripture Reading: Luke 23:1-38

Text: Luke 23:34a

Psalter Numbers: 363, 51, 65, 231

Offerings: Foreign Student Fund
& PRCS/HCHS Building Fund

Offerings

Last Week's Offerings: Benevolence: \$1814.25 Emeritus Fund: \$449.40 HCHS: \$369.15

Next Week's Special Offerings: Peace Building Fund & Genesis PR School of Lacombe

Weekly Calendar

Tuesday: 7:45 PM - Junior Adult Bible Study

Wednesday: OT for Beginners Grades 1-3 - Lesson 17

NT for Juniors Grades 4-5 - Lesson 17 - Memory and Written Work

NT for Seniors Grades 6-7 - Lesson 17 - Memory and Written Work, Romans 8:23-24

3:00 PM - Heidelberg Catechism - Lord's Day 17 - Memory and Written Work

4:00 PM - Essentials - Lesson 8c - Reading Assignment

7:30 PM - Council Meeting

Announcements

A warm welcome is extended to any who are visiting with us today. May our Heavenly Father be pleased with the worship we bring to Him on this His day.

At its February 11 meeting, the Consistory heard and accepted the confession of faith of Mr. Gerald Kooy. With thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father, the Consistory announces that his public profession of faith will take place during the evening service of March 7, 2010. If anyone has lawful objection, he must notify the clerk of consistory. “My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life, and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.” John 10:27-28

The deacons thank our Heavenly Father for your generous giving to the Benevolence Fund since our last announcement. Here is an update: the balance is currently \$4,752.64 and there is a potential shortfall in the future. Therefore, we ask that you continue to remember the needy in our midst in prayer and in your giving. “But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.” II Corinthians 9:6-7

Rev. Spronk and Elder Keith Bruinsma have been appointed as our delegates to the meeting of Classis West to convene March 3, 2010, at Loveland PRC.

The Junior Adult Bible study meets Tuesday night. Bible discussion begins with I Corinthians 1:1. The after recess discussion will be on Article 16 of the Canons of Dordt. Matt & Stacy DJ., Aaron & Jen L., Jeremy H., and David W. are in charge of refreshments.

The regular monthly Council meeting will take place this Wednesday evening.

Young Peoples: Those who signed up for the Bittersweet ski trip please meet at Peace Church at 7:00 AM sharp. Lunch will be provided, please bring \$2.00. We may also stop for a quick supper on the way home. If you have any questions please call Nanci Kooy.

Please see the bulletin board for a flyer giving an update of the projects of Active in Missions.

To request your copy of a sermon, please fill out the “Sermon Request” form located on the back bulletin board. Tapes and CDs can be picked up from off the bookshelf. The audio of today's messages will also be available this week from our website at www.peaceprc.org.

Church News

Rev. Spriensma has declined the call to serve as pastor to Bethel PRC. Cornerstone has formed a new trio of Rev. Bruinsma, Rev. Spriensma, and Rev. A. Lanning. Trinity PRC has extended a call to Rev. A. Lanning. Byron Center PRC has called Rev. A. Spriensma to “come over and help them.” Hull PRC has formed a trio of Rev. Kuiper, Rev. J. Laning, and Rev. W. Langerak.

Requested Announcements

Women's Bible Study meets this week Wednesday. Refreshments are served at 10:15 AM with Bible study beginning at 10:30. This week's discussion will be on the handout on Family Worship. This handout can be found in the bulletin racks. The Children's Bible Story Hour will be “Jesus Heals the Blind Man.” Memory work is John 6:38a. Infant Nursery: Marijo VO., Stacy B. Toddler Nursery: Lisa K., Melissa V., Mary Jo T. Refreshments: Deb P., Wanda B.

The Young People's Societies of the area churches will be hosting a singspiration tonight, February 14 at Cornerstone PRC. A collection will be taken for this year's PRYP convention.

The Ladies Auxillary will be sponsoring a Family Spaghetti Dinner this Friday, February 19 from 5:30-7:30 PM in the school gym.

The New Church Building Committee of the Protestant Reformed Church of South Holland is soliciting for private, unsecured 5 year loans to fund the construction of a new church building. These notes will bear interest at a rate of 4 percent per annum with interest to be paid semi-annually with principal due in full maturity. Interested parties should contact Eric Ophoff (708) 205-3568 or Steve Van Drunen (708) 732-1300 for further details.

Retreat: Loveland PRC will be hosting a Young Adults Retreat on March 15-18, 2010, DV. Prof. R. Dykstra and Rev. A. Lanning will be speaking on the theme “Receiving Wisdom from Elders.” **The deadline has been extended to FEBRUARY 27.** No forms will be accepted after that point. We have received many registration forms, but still have room for some more. Please email lovelandyaretreat@yahoo.com or call Esther at (970) 775-0068 with questions.

Women's Retreat 2010 is fast approaching! There are just two weeks left to register. Registration forms are available on our web site www.byronprc.org. The web site also includes information about the conference, the location and available lodging. Plan for a weekend of edifying messages and discussion groups that will encourage you in your faith and provide a time of fellowship with many sisters in the Lord.

Reformed Book Outlet offer for those attending the upcoming Women's Retreat: We are offering the book *Crisis of Caring* by Jerry Bridges at the special price of \$7.49. This book will be used as the basis of discussion as well as the text in Colossians 3:14,15. Pre-order this book and see more specials for Retreat attendees by going to <http://bookbox.org/Women'sRetreatSpecialOffer>.

Visitors for Katheryn Poortinga: This Week: Mary T. Next Week: Wanda B. & Janelle DJ.

Accompanists: Today: **AM** - Lauren Warner **PM** - Lisa K. Next Week: **AM** - Jan P. **PM** - Joanna DJ.

Nursery: This Week: **AM** - Heidi P., Mary Jo T., Beth H. **PM** - Shelby H., Hannah V.

Next Week: **AM** - Cyndi K., Ruth F., Kelly W. **PM** - Melissa V., Kristin W.

Ushers: February: **AM** - Brian B., Michael DJ., Jeremy H. **PM** - Stephan DJ., Joel H., Nate H.

March: **AM** - Aaron L., Daniel T., Calvin B. **PM** - Scott VDG., Justin V., David W.