

*“I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.” Psalm 22:22*

## Peace Protestant Reformed Church

This is the Lord’s Day - July 26, 2009

### Morning Service - 9:30 AM

Communion

“Free From Condemnation”

- I. The Unassailable Truth
- II. The Blessed Recipients

Scripture Reading: Romans 7:14-8:1

Text: Romans 8:1

Psalter Numbers: 407, 337, 83, 262

Offerings: General Fund & Benevolence

### Evening Service - 5:00 PM

Applicatory

“Free From the Law of Sin and Death”

- I. The Meaning
- II. The Possibility
- III. The Calling

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:1-17

Text: Romans 8:2-4

Psalter Numbers: 318, 266, 391, 336

Offerings: Building Fund  
& Genesis PR Christian School Building Fund

### Offerings

Last Week’s Offerings: Benevolence: \$653.60 Standard Bearer: \$281.55 HCHS Building Fund: \$386.70

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

### Announcements

A warm welcome is extended to any who are visiting with us today. This morning we are privileged to celebrate the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper. In obedience to the will of Christ that the Church supervises admission to the Lord’s Table, only members of the congregation and those who have received permission from the Consistory are permitted to partake of the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper. After the sacrament has been administered, please pass your wine cups to the end of the row where the ushers will collect them.

At the request of her consistory (Edgerton PRC), our consistory has undertaken spiritual oversight of Miss Monica Brands while she lives in our area. She therefore has the continuing privilege of partaking of the Lord’s Supper with our congregation.

Mr. Lee Wiltjer, Jr. has requested that his membership papers be transferred to the South Holland Protestant Reformed Church. May God richly bless our brother as he takes his new place among the saints there.

The Council requests that parents exercise due supervision over their children following the worship services. Please ensure that proper respect of the sanctuary, organ, piano, and pulpit area is demonstrated. Nursery furniture and equipment as well as the bathroom facilities must not be abused. The parking lot, roadway, and landscaping present many dangers, so please control your children’s actions both indoors and outdoors.

Newsletters from our both Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and Northern Ireland can be found in the bulletin racks.

The Council will soon make nominations for the office of elder and deacon. Article 22 of the Church Order allows the Council “to give the members an opportunity to direct attention to suitable persons.” If you believe that certain men are qualified for either the office of elder or deacon and would like to recommend them to the Council, please give your suggestion to any member of the Council. The congregation is reminded to consider the Biblical requirements as set forth in I Timothy 3 and Titus 1:5-9.

### Church News

Rev. R. Miersma suffered a stroke recently. He is regaining strength, but will submit to surgery on August 11 to have a stent placed in a 70 percent blocked artery in his brain. Let us remember this brother in our prayers.

The new trio for Calvary PRC is Candidate C. Griess, Rev. J. Laning, and Rev. Marcus.

Holland plans to call today from their trio of Candidate C. Griess, Rev. R. Hanko, and Rev. S. Key.

Lacombe’s trio consists of Rev. denHartog, Rev. Key, and Candidate Griess.

Trinity PRC has formed a trio of Revs. Doug Kuiper, J. Slopsema, and W. Bruinsma.

Candidate C. Griess is considering the call to labor as pastor of Byron Center PRC.

### Requested Announcements

Attention Conventioneers! The 2009 Young People’s Convention is only weeks away and Trinity PRC is very excited. We want to remind you to be sure to start getting your team together for tournament games so that you are ready to sign up on Monday at registration or when you get to the camp. You can choose from the following tournaments: 3 on 3 basketball, pool, ping pong, dodge ball, and 6 on 6 coed or 4 on 4 volleyball. Please see the convention web site at [www.prcconvention.com](http://www.prcconvention.com) for camp activities as well as a schedule of events for the week. Trinity is excitedly working to get everything ready. It is our prayer that the week will not only be one in which new friendships are made and old friendships are renewed but also spiritually uplifting as well.

The Edmonton PRC Family Conference Committee has a limited number of DVDs left for sale. If you would still like a copy please contact Bert or Jackie Mulder at [jackiemulder@shaw.ca](mailto:jackiemulder@shaw.ca) or (780) 922-5953. The cost is a minimum donation of \$10.

Please plan to attend the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Adams Foundation Salmon Fishing Tournament on August 22 at 2:00 PM. Call Paul Kamps at (616) 813-8683 or Ed Ophoff III at (616) 291-7765 to reserve your spot.

The John Calvin Writing Contest deadline is almost upon us. Due to problems with some being unable to send their papers via email, the contest deadline has been moved back one week to August 7. If you have forgotten about the contest, or thought it was too late to send yours in, take this opportunity to do so. We look forward to reading your essays and sharing in our reformed heritage as Calvinists.

July 28 - The 2009 Summer Class Series, presented by the Reformed Witness Committee of Hope PRC, concludes this Tuesday at 7:30 PM. Prof. H. Hanko is scheduled to speak on the theme “The Holy Spirit and Salvation”. For more information, please contact Ryan Morris at (616) 457-4676 or [hoperwc@gmail.com](mailto:hoperwc@gmail.com).

The 2009 PRCS Endowment Fund Golf Outing will be on September 26 at Lincoln Oaks Golf Course. Shotgun start at 1:00 PM. Any questions call Eric Lindsey at (708) 877-7009.

Bus Tour: A bus tour is planned for the afternoon of Saturday, September 5 immediately following the Calvin Conference. Included in the tour will be the Seminary, churches, and schools in the Grand Rapids area, as well as some other points of interest. The cost will be \$5.00 per person (payable as you board the bus). Space is limited. To make reservations, contact the Seminary at (616) 531-1490 by 5:00 PM August 31.

The controversy over the covenant has long been present, and often raged, in Reformed churches has now come to a head. The controversy centers on the question, “Does God’s eternal election govern the covenant of grace?” In the early 1950s, the Protestant Reformed Churches suffered grievous schism over this issue. What brings the controversy to a head is the contemporary heresy of the Federal [Covenant] Vision, flourishing in many reputedly conservative Reformed and Presbyterian churches. On Friday evening, September 4, as part of the Protestant Reformed Churches’ observance of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of John Calvin, Prof. David J. Engelsma, addressing the great covenant controversy, will speak on “Calvin’s Doctrine of the Covenant.” Plan to attend! [500yearsofcalvin.org](http://500yearsofcalvin.org)

**Visitors for Katheryn Poortinga:** This Week: Bart & Tillie Z. Next Week: Matt & Stephanie M.

### Nursery Schedule

#### This Week

AM - Kelly W., Danielle B., Jenna B., Kristina K.

PM - Janelle DJ., Jennifer DJ.

#### Next Week

AM - Cyndi K., Alyssa K., Beth H.

PM - Heidi P., Hannah V.

### Usher Schedule

#### July

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

PM - Mike V., Joel H., Jeremy H.

#### August

AM - Brian B., Adam B., Scott VDG.

PM - Nate H., David V., Greg B.