

First Christian Reformed Church of Oskaloosa

Bulletin Supplement for 2/10/19

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

LETTERS:

- Chris Pierson -- Jared De Young Jeff Pierson -- Joel Huyser
- Jeremy Pierson -- Eric Schering Brennan Plate -- Justin Van Zee

A TIME FOR PRAYER:

- You are invited to a time of prayer before our worship service every Sunday morning from 9:00-9:10 a.m. in the Conference Room. Everyone is welcome to join us.

WINTER WORSHIP FOR 2019:

- Care Group Assignments:** February 10 - Care Group 2 February 17 - Care Group 3
February 24 - Care Group 4 March 3 - Care Group 5
- Oversight:** As we continue our Winter Worship format we ask that you, as parents, please keep your children from playing in the sanctuary between the services. There are plenty of games downstairs and plenty of room for them to run off steam as well. Thank you!

NEWSLETTER:

- All items for the March/April Newsletter are due today. Thanks.

HOME VISITATION:

- Home Visitation is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 11. The schedule is as follows:

J. Bruxvoort & J. De Bruin

7:00 Kyle De Ronde
8:15 Dan Branderhorst

Spoelstra & De Groot

7:00 BJ Boender
8:15 Gary Van Engelenhoven

Louwsma & Pastor Jon

7:00 Bruce Meinders
8:15 Dan Fynaardt

B. Bruxvoort & Veenstra

7:00 Scott De Bruin
8:15 Dale De Bruin

Kunz & Van Donselaar

7:00 Bruce Veenstra
8:15 Ken Slagter

LADIES NIGHT OUT:

- On Friday, March 1, (note change of date) we are having another Ladies Night Out here at church beginning at 6:00 p.m. Come on out for a night of fun, food, and fellowship. Bunco will be the game of choice and activity for the evening. Please bring a snack to share. (College-age and older.) If you have any questions, please contact Renee Van Kooten at 660-2623.

A GOOD DEED OF SERVICE:

- Here is your opportunity to put the message of "WORD AND DEED" into action! Please sign the sheet for a date of your choice on the Information Center table to serve as a Host/Hostess, (singles or couples are welcome) for the Thursday evening Love, INC (In the Name of Christ) classes which will continue through April 4. The approximate time to help is from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Gloria at 641-660-6856. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ.

INFORMATION CENTER:

- 1) Justin Van Zee Prayer Letter 2) PCHS Reporter 3) Huyser Prayer Letter

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES:

- Feb. 10 = Kristin Plate
- Feb. 11 = Anton Boender (Mark), Betty De Ronde, Sherwin Plate
Larry & Jean Van Mersbergen
- Feb. 13 = Jeremy Van Donselaar, Rosie Van Veldhuizen
- Feb. 14 = Jeff De Rooi
Ken & Ruth Groenenboom
- Feb. 16 = Leah Groenenboom (Joel)

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SOUP SUPPER:

- Mark your calendars! The annual Leighton GEMS and Cadets Soup Supper will be held Wednesday, Feb. 13, at Leighton Christian Reformed Church. Serving time will be from 5-7 p.m. We will be serving chili, chicken, and

broccoli & cheese soups, beef burgers, hot dogs, and homemade desserts and bars. We hope to see you there! Proceeds go to both clubs.

FROM OSKALOOSA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL:

- **Bids for Kids Auction:** Calling All Superheroes!! Oskaloosa Christian School Annual Bids for Kids Auction is coming up on Friday, Feb. 15. There will be a silent auction and bake sale starting at 3:30 p.m. and a live auction starting at 7:00 p.m. A meal of a hot dog or smoked pulled pork sandwiches will be available for \$5/\$8. Please check out <http://www.oscibidsforkids.webs.com> for all the details. If you have any questions or would like to donate, please contact Doug or Robbyn De Bruin at 641-660-7992.
- **Bake Sale:** “We knead you- don't be shy! Whip up some cookies, bread, or pie!
Big or small, it's all a treat...To make, to give, to sell, to eat!”
Donations of cakes, pies, cupcakes, bars, brownies, cookies, loaves, or your family's favorite treat for our Feb. 15 Bake Sale at Oskaloosa Christian School would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Tiffany Roozeboom at roozeboomt@oskaloosachristian.net or (641) 660-6716 if you can help or if you have any questions!
- **Kinder Kids Preview Day** will be held at Oskaloosa Christian School on Monday, Feb. 18, from 9:00-10:15 a.m. with a question and answer time following. Plan to meet for refreshments, and to observe the Pre-K and traditional Kindergarten classes. All parents of preschoolers are invited to attend. Call the school at 641-672-2174 if you have any questions.
- **Kinder Kamp**, a fun-filled morning or afternoon of kindergarten readiness testing at Oskaloosa Christian School, will be held on Friday, March 1. If you have or know of a child who may want to attend, please register on our school's website, www.oskaloosachristian.net under the admissions tab. Children should be 5 by September 15 to attend kindergarten this fall.

FROM PELLA CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL:

- **Soup Supper:** The Junior Class will be holding a Soup Supper before the PCHS Winter Concert on Thursday, Feb. 21, from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the commons. This is a freewill offering fundraiser to cover expenses for the Junior/Senior Banquet. Come out and enjoy chili, chicken rice or cheeseburger chowder soup along with breadsticks, cookies and drinks before you enjoy the band and choir performances.
- **Winter Concert:** The PCHS Music Department invites you to attend their Winter Concert on Thursday, Feb. 21, at 7:00 p.m. in the Pella Christian High Vermeer Auditorium. The Concert Band, Cantabile Choir and Concert Choir will be leading you in this evening of music. We will close the concert with a performance of the "*Battle Hymn of the Republic*".

FROM PEORIA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL:

- **Hostess Supper:**
 - ~ Date: Our annual Hostess Supper will be held on Saturday, Feb. 23, at 6:00 p.m. in the school gym. Join us for a night of wonderful food, friends and fellowship as we support Peoria Christian School. Please contact the school at office@peoriachr.org or call (641)625-4131 with any questions.
 - ~ Hostesses: For those who have agreed to host a table at the Hostess Supper, please let Clarice Meinders know by February 9, who will be at your table AND who you have asked but are not able to attend. You can email Clarice at glenmeinders@iowatelecom.net or call/text (641-780-0126).
- **Pizza Ranch Fundraiser:** Come join us Monday, Feb. 25, from 5:00-7:30 p.m. at Pizza Ranch in Pella. This is a fundraiser for our 7th/8th grade students. We can receive 10% of the proceeds and there will be a tip jar as well. Please make sure to bring the coupon that will be sent home with the kids on Friday, February 22. The coupon is how we receive 10% of the proceeds. You may make copies and distribute to as many people as you wish. If you have any questions, please contact Nikki Hol at a4nur@hotmail.com
- **Pre-K/Kindergarten Round-Up:** Peoria Christian School is having their Pre-K/Kindergarten Round-Up on Wednesday, March 6. The time is from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., with a parent meeting to follow at 12:35 p.m. If you have children or know of any children that are going to be in Pre-K or Kindergarten, this would be a great way to see if Peoria is the school for you. Please make sure to RSVP by March 4. For any questions or to RSVP, please contact the school at Office@peoriachr.org or call (641)625-4131.

FROM THE CLASSIS MISSION COMMITTEE:

- You are invited to join together in diving into God's Word as a Classis. The Classis Mission Committee is hosting a book discussion on Saturday morning, March 2, starting at 9:00 a.m. and going until approximately noon at Calvary CRC in Pella. The book we will be discussing is "*One-to-One Bible Reading*" by David Helm. We will be brainstorming about how best to utilize it in our given congregations and hearing if churches have already used it and what worked. The Classis Mission Committee is excited about the work God is doing in each of the

congregations in Classis Central Plains. Questions? Please contact Pastor Matt McClure at revmccclure@gmail.com.

FROM BARNABAS FOUNDATION:

- Do you want to maximize the impact of the resources God has entrusted to you? James Prichard, a Christian attorney from Barnabas Foundation, will show you how. A confidential will-planning consultation is offered to you at no charge and with no obligation. Jim will be meeting with Christian families in our area March 6 - 8. Simply call Ann Zacek at Barnabas Foundation toll-free at 888-448-3040 (Ext. 121) to schedule your complimentary conversation with Jim. To help you get started, you may also request a free special resource titled "7 Reasons to Review Your Will" by simply sending an e-mail request with "7 Reasons Request" in the subject line to info@BarnabasFoundation.com.

SPRING BREAK MISSION TRIPS:

- Spend your Spring Break 2019 making a difference while making new friends and having fun! Join Lake View Camp as we head south to warmer weather and help families in need! Lake View will be offering two different Spring Break Mission Trips - one to Refugio, TX from March 8-15 and the other to Mission, TX from March 15-23. These trips are open to all high school and college students and adults. Registration and more information are available on our website at www.lakeviewconference.com or give us a call at (641) 628-2160. Your youth leaders also have a limited number of copies.

FROM CRC NEWS:

- **From Back to God Ministries International:**

- ~ *The Gift of Hospitality*: How can hosting a party, serving a meal, or opening your home to house guests bring glory to God? Join Groundwork as we examine Genesis 18:1-8, 1 Peter 4:8-11, and Romans 12:9-13 to see why hospitality is both a virtue the Holy Spirit cultivates in all believers and a spiritual gift given to some. Listen now at www.GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.
- ~ *Goopy Goop Soup*: Liz and his friends decide to use their free time to collect food for the community shelter. But a grumpy neighbor and a troublemaking classmate try to derail their plans. Listen now at www.kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for future episodes. Download KC's Valentine Card Collection to share with family and friends.
- ~ *Think Christian Podcast*: "Think Christian" has a new podcast. Editor and film critic Josh Larsen and popular "Think Christian" writers talk pop culture and how movies, music, video games, and TV can resonate with our faith. Listen at www.thinkchristian.net/podcast.

- **From Resonate Global Mission:**

- ~ *Nanny in East Asia*: Do you have a passion for nurturing children and want experience living abroad? Resonate Global Mission has a volunteer service opportunity to provide baby care for one child of a missionary family in East Asia. Learn more by visiting www.resonateglobalmission.org/nanny.
- ~ *Urgent Need for Missionaries*: How is God calling you to spread the gospel? Resonate has an urgent need for people to step into ministry in North America and throughout the world. You might be surprised by how God can use your knowledge, skills, and abilities to expand his kingdom. Explore volunteer and career opportunities by visiting www.resonateglobalmission.org/go.

- **World Renew Career Opportunity**: Do you have a passion and a heart for the work of World Renew in Nicaragua? Are you fluent in Spanish and English? We are looking to hire a Country Consultant in Nicaragua to provide leadership in the development of World Renew's strategy in Nicaragua, engage and empower our partners in Nicaragua, and provide leadership to the overall strategy, policies and performance of the Ministry Team, ensuring alignment with World Renew's strategic plan. More details on this opportunity, and the link to apply, can be found at www.worldrenew.net/careers.

- **Family Faith Formation Tip**: "In a comprehensive study of relational dynamics in more than 300 families spanning 35 years, family warmth was more correlated with faith transmission than any other relational factor," say the folks at the Fuller Youth Institute. Take your family's "temperature" this week and look for new ways to create a warm, loving, accepting, and encouraging home environment. (Faith Formation Ministries; www.crcna.org/FaithFormation)

- **The Prodigal Love of God**: Join us April 4-6, 2019, at Dordt College for The Prodigal Love of God Conference: Reencountering Dordt at 400 and Beyond. Through invited plenaries and panel discussions, this conference will feature conversations about the historical legacy and the future of Protestantism as well as the opportunities facing the global church in the decades ahead. Confirmed speakers include Marilynne Robinson, Richard Mouw, James K.A. Smith, Timothy George, Paul Lim, Suzanne McDonald, Jemar Tisby, and Tish Harrison Warren. For info go to www.dordt.edu/plg. Register at www.prodigalloveofgodregistration.eventbrite.com/

Notes of Council Meeting held on Monday, February 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

All members present except Byron Bruxvoort with notice

- Council Chairman Kirk Veenstra calls meeting to order.
- Pastor Jon Spronk opens with devotions from Psalm 42:11 and prayer.
- Minutes of Council Meeting of January 7, 2019 -- *approved* with correction.
- Old Business: Prayer group for February 17 -- Care Group #1 -- Elder Jeff Van Donselaar
- Correspondence: Thank you's received
- Items added to agenda
 - A. Names approved for Search Committee
 - B. Discussion of job description for Associate Pastor
 - C. Discussion of Synodical overture
 - D. Reminder for committee heads to fill out sheets listing members
- New Business
 - A. Deacon Doug De Bruin reports the General Fund:

Budget envelopes	\$ 11,715.00
Balance	\$ 35,274.99
 - B. Deacon Steve Roozeboom reports:

Benevolent Fund	\$ 9,080.70
Enduring Gifts	\$ 14,797.32
Missions Fund	\$ 9,688.30 (Lakeview building project \$ 2,768.03)
Padded Pew Fund	\$ 24,935.63
Associate Pastor Fund	\$ 33,103.47
 - C. Deacon Brett De Bruin reports Building Fund at \$ 5,554.56
 - D. Deacon Luke Roozeboom reports Special Offerings at \$ 11,204.42
March offering schedule -- *approved*:

	<u>AM</u>	<u>PM</u>
3/3	GEMS (local)	P.C .Special Education
3/10	World Renew	Benevolence
3/17	Cadets (local)	Calvin Seminary
3/24	CEF	Luke Society
3/31	Joshua Christian Academy	CEF
 - E. Deacon Ben De Bruin reports Christian Education Fund:

Balance on hand at	\$ 95.07
Tuition owed: OSCI	\$ 91,921.37
PCHS	\$ 37,486.00
PCGS	\$ 8,511.78
 - F. Deacon Tim Jabaay reads Deacon's minutes for January 2019.
 - G. All Deacon's work is *approved* by adopted motion.
- Committee Reports
 - A. Elder Larry De Groot reports for the Building Committee.
 1. Fire sprinkler system inspection to be done in warmer weather as recommended by Continental Fire company -- *approved*
 2. Discussion of fire alarm system
 3. Addition of members to Building Committee -- *approved*
 4. Purchase of AED -- *approved*
 - B. Elder Gene De Bruin reports for Care Group Committee on updates of members.
 - C. Elder Jeff Van Donselaar reports for Fellowship Committee names of couples to add to the committee -- *approved*
 - D. Deacon Doug De Bruin reports for Technology Committee purchase of a Computer and members added to committee.
- Joys and Concerns expressed.
- Motion to adjourn prevails.
- Elder Jerry De Bruin closes in prayer.