

# CORNERSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

## Bulletin Announcements for September 12, 2021

**Today**, both of our worship services will be led by **Rev. James Admiraal**.

**This evening** we will be reading the Preparatory form for the celebration of the Lord's Supper to be held next Sunday morning, D.V. As we begin to prepare to come to the Lord's Table, you will find in your mailboxes today Preparatory Meditations which were written by Dr. Peter Y. De Jong and revised by Rev. Vos for you to use this coming week in your daily devotions with your family. These devotions are entitled "**The Lord's Care for His People**" and we will be challenged to examine ourselves, which we should do regularly. We are all encouraged to take the time to use these devotions as we prepare our hearts for worship and the Lord's Supper. For those who may be visiting with us today, there are extra copies of this devotional on the information table in the narthex.

**Family Visitations** are scheduled **THIS WEEK Tuesday, September 14, and Thursday, September 16**, and again on **Tuesday, September 21, and Thursday, September 23**. For those of you who received a schedule from the Elders in your mailbox, please be prepared to meet on the date and time indicated on the schedule. We pray that these visits may be a spiritual blessing to all, and that we may be able to build up one another in the faith.

**Nominations will soon be made for Elders and Deacons**. Anyone who is unable to serve because of health reasons or legitimate extenuating circumstances should notify their District Elder in writing by **Monday, October 4**, giving the reason they should not be considered at this time.

### **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Sunday School and Catechism classes begin TODAY** after the morning worship service. Room assignments are posted on the bulletin boards in the narthex.

**The Adult Sunday School will begin today** after the morning worship service in the basement Fellowship Room. This year we will be doing a video series on Church History by Dr. W. Robert Godfrey. We will be going through 100AD to 2000AD. Come and join us as we go through the history of the church.

**Men's Choir** will practice **TODAY at 4:00pm**. All men high school age and older are invited to join. Next practice will be on September 26. We will be singing for the song service on the 26th.

**Family Night is this week Wednesday**. All are welcome to come for dinner which will be served beginning at 5:45 p.m., but if you can't come until 6:00 p.m., that is fine! When you come, you may get right in line and get your food. When you get to your table, please offer a prayer, and pray together with those at your table. **It is very important that you sign up if you are coming**. We want to purchase the correct amount of hamburgers & hotdogs. **PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY!!!** If you are reading this and are not at church, please call Brenda Dykstra 616.566.4624 ASAP to sign up! Following dinner, **the Adult Class will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary** and will pick up with our study using the book "A Field Guide on False Teachings" from Ligonier Ministries. **If anyone would like a copy of this book, please see Rob Brinks**. If you have the book and you would like to read ahead, the topic of study for September 15 will be, Lord willing, the chapter on "New Age Spirituality" found on page 189 in the booklet. GEMS and CADETS will also kick off their season beginning tonight!

**We have a prayer posting ministry at Cornerstone** which is an email that our church family receives if there are prayer requests or announcements that we would like our church family to know about. If YOU would like to receive these emails, please contact Cheryl Doll in the church office to sign up ([office@cornerstoneurc.com](mailto:office@cornerstoneurc.com)). If you do not like to use a computer, you are welcome to call the church prayer line to receive those same prayer requests and/or announcements. Bonnie Bratt is updating the prayer line twice a week. Call 616.669.4444 to hear that recording.

**All ladies who are interested in the Wednesday evening Bible Study** which will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday nights 6:30 – 8:00 p.m., please **sign up TODAY** under Bulletin Board #3 in the narthex. You will be

given the book “The Lamb of God” (\$12.50) so you can get started on the first lesson and be ready for our first lesson on September 22.

**Ladies’ Tuesday Morning Bible Study:** Women of all ages are encouraged to attend. A nursery will be provided. We will begin our study this year on **Tuesday, September 21, at 9:45 a.m.** for refreshments and fellowship with the Bible study being held from at 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. We will be using a book by Sinclair Ferguson titled “Let’s Study Philippians.” **The books are available on the table under Bulletin Board #2.** Please sign your name when you take a book. The books are \$10.00 **payable to Cornerstone URC.** An envelope is available for payment. Please **read Chapter One** and **do questions 1-3 on page 123** in preparation for the first lesson.

**CURC Small Groups Studies:** There are a few small group studies that meet once a month in Cornerstone member’s homes. Are you interested in participating? Sign up to be a part of this time of fellowship and spiritual growth with fellow believers. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Rob Brinks at [robbrinks15@gmail.com](mailto:robbrinks15@gmail.com) or his cell, (616) 502-4007.

**ENCOURAGERS** – Please meet briefly in the Council Room after the evening service on **September 19.**

**The Cadets will be hosting a Spaghetti Supper on Family Night, October 6, from 5:30-6:30pm.** Look for more details in your mailbox soon.

**Bible League International** - Recently you received information in your mailboxes regarding League International. Please take the time to read the letter and prayerfully consider donating to this worthwhile organization. You can provide one Bible for only \$5. Insert your check or cash donation in the envelope provided and place it in my mailbox on or before September 30. If you are doing the giving calendar and need extra time, you may return your donation whenever you have finished. Thank you! (**Von Gras**, Kenowa Division Treasurer)

### **RMS Announcements:**

**Haiti, St. Vincent, and even closer to home with Hurricane Ida.** Natural disasters seem to be happening everywhere we look. Reformed Mission Services is collecting donations to assist those affected by these recent events. If you are interested in partnering with us, please give online at [rms.org/donate](http://rms.org/donate) or if you prefer, you can mail your check, made out to “RMS” to 2111 Pine Ridge Dr. Suite G, Jenison, MI 49428. Please make sure to put which disaster you want your funds to go to in the memo.

**RMS ASSEMBLES AND MOBILIZES TEAMS** to travel to areas affected by natural disasters. We work with a local church located in the heart of the disaster area. Disaster Response provides opportunities not only to minister to the physical needs of those affected, but it often gives opportunities to minister the gospel to the spiritual needs as well. If you are interested in signing up to be notified when trips become available, please go to [www.rms.org/disaster-response](http://www.rms.org/disaster-response).

**Register Today!** **Peru** ~ November 27 – December 6, 2021; **Dominican Republic** ~ January 11-20, 2022; **Haiti** ~ February 15-22, 2022; **Costa Rica** ~ March 2022 Dates TBD. Registration and other details are available online at [www.rms.org/mission-trips](http://www.rms.org/mission-trips) or contact Rob at [rob@rms.org](mailto:rob@rms.org).

## **CADETS**

- **The Cadet’s first meeting is this week Wednesday, September 15.** If you are new this year, opening ceremonies are held in Room 8, downstairs—that’s the room in the far NE corner by the stairs. Ceremonies begin at 6:45pm.
- **Advanced Notice: October 1-2** is our canoe and camp-out at Henning Park in Newaygo. You can sign up in person at our meetings on September 15 and 22. Parents may also sign-up by email at any time before or after September 15, but no later than September 26 [[cornerstonecadets@gmail.com](mailto:cornerstonecadets@gmail.com)]. We need to know the names of everyone who plans to attend and whether or not a ride is needed on Friday (dads are welcome). More details to come.

## GEMS

- **GEMS kick-off meeting is THIS WEEK Wednesday, September 15**—the first Family Night of the season. No need to do a lesson as lesson material will be given September 15. If you plan on eating, please sign up for food by TODAY (Sunday), September 12, on the Family Night sign-up sheet.

## JHYG

- **Attention all 6th-8th graders!!** Looking forward to our first regular season meeting to be held Sunday evening, **September 26**. Plan to meet in the basement after the evening service. Parents can pick your children up at 8:30pm.
- **We also have our first serve project scheduled for Saturday, October 1st!!** Plan to meet at Hugs Ranch at 12:30pm. You should have received a flyer in your mailbox with the details. After we finish up at 3:00pm, we will head to the Dykstra's for a time of fun, games, and dinner (weather dependent). Your parents can pick you up from there around 6:30pm. More details will be given at our first meeting.

## HSYG

- **We are planning on our first meeting** after the evening service on **September 19**. **Food responsibility: Moelker and Wagner** (please plan on **preparing food for 40—thank you!!**). Following that, plan on every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday nights for our regular meetings unless they fall on a holiday.

## THIS WEEK AT CORNERSTONE

<b>Today</b>	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
	11:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism classes
	11:00 AM	Adult Sunday School (basement Fellowship Room)
	4:00 PM	Men's Choir practice
	5:20 PM	Song Service
	5:30 PM	Evening Worship Service
<b>Monday</b>	6:30 PM	Deacons
	7:00 PM	Council
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:00 PM	Family Visitations
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 AM	Early Risers (Rainbow Grill in Hudsonville)
	5:45 PM	Family Night Dinner
	6:40 PM	GEMS
	6:45 PM	Cadets
	7:00 PM	Adult study on "New Age Spirituality" (sanctuary)
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30 PM	VBS at Presidential Estates
	7:00 PM	Family Visitations

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

**Offerings:**    **September 12 AM:** Mission Fund                      **PM:** Christian Education  
                         **September 19 AM:** Benevolent Fund                      **PM:** Gideons International

**Coffee Servers:**    **September 12** – Deb Brinks & Kelly Schuiteman  
                                 **September 19** – Sue Gift & Lara Julien

**Host Family:**    **September 12** – Dennis & Jennie Haveman  
                                 **September 19** – Keith & Isla VanNoord

**Nursery:** September 12 AM: Marnie Nuiver, Ashlyn Spoelma  
 PM: Jennifer Tanis, Presley Schuiteman

September 19 AM: Jordan Wagner, Hannah Moelker  
 PM: Amanda Hodges, Ahnaleigh DeVries

**Security:** September 12 AM: Walt Decker, Devin Berens      **First Responder:** Dan Deppe  
 PM: Scott DenHerder, Jeff Berens

September 19 AM: Dan Deppe, Reece Alsum      **First Responder:** Dan MacGraw  
 PM: John Emelander, Duwayne Newenhouse

**Sound:** September 12 – Dan Bratt      September 19 – Larry Huttinga

**Ushers:** September AM: Ron Helmholdt, Dylan VanBeek, Dave Gift, Steve Johnson  
 PM: Steve Hordyk, James Horjus, Walter Horjus

### **SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Jenison Christian School Childcare** is looking to fill 2 positions for the upcoming school year. We have 2 afternoon positions starting at 2:00/2:30 -5:45pm, Monday through Friday. Applicants must be at least 17 years old. Please send resumes to Stacey Christians at [childcare@jenisonchristian.org](mailto:childcare@jenisonchristian.org).

### **MISCELLANEOUS REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Georgetown Harmony Homes**, providing Christian homes and services for adults with developmental disabilities, currently has an employment opportunity and a need for part-time staff to work in the homes with our residents, evenings, and weekends. If you are at least 18 years old and have a caring heart, you are encouraged to apply on-line at [www.georgetownharmonyhomes.org](http://www.georgetownharmonyhomes.org). It's an opportunity to show Christ's love while working with some special people and a great team!
- **The Hope Heralds**, a Reformed men's chorus of approximately 100 men, will present a concert **this Friday evening at 7:00 PM**. The concert will be held at **First Protestant Reformed Church**, located at 2800 Michigan Street NW, Grand Rapids, 49506. Admission is free. A free will offering will be collected. Join us as we praise our heavenly Father in music!
- **There will be a Blood Drive THIS WEEK Friday September 17**, from 11:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. at Hillcrest CRC (3617 Hillcrest Road, Hudsonville). Your help in replenishing the blood supply is needed and very much appreciated! You may schedule an appointment by calling 1-800 REDCROSS or go online to RedCross Blood.org. A donor card or driver's license is required for ID. Donors must be 17 years old or older and weigh at least 110 lbs. Michigan law permits 16-year-olds to give with written parental consent.
- **SPREADING THE FRAGRANCE OF LIFE** – On **Friday, September 24**, Bible League International Volunteers will host a special daylong conference at Friendship CRC in Byron Center, MI. Dr. Lynn Wilder, former Mormon now Bible-believing Christian will speak in multiple sessions. Also joining the conference is Pastor Thony Ronaldo from Indonesia. The registration cost is \$25 without lunch or \$37 with lunch. **Register online until September 15 at [bibleleague.org/tickets](http://bibleleague.org/tickets).**
- **Word & Deed Coast-to-Coast Bike-a-thon!** Last year Word & Deed was blessed with over 400 riders who participated in our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Coast to Coast Bike-a-thon, which raised funds for the Nakekela HIV / Aids Clinic in South Africa. We look forward to the 2nd annual event to support the Nakekela Clinic and the MCA Christian School in South Africa! Please join us by gathering family and friends in your local area for a bike ride anytime on or around **Saturday, September 25**. To register or make a donation visit: [wordanddeed.org/bikeathon-canada](http://wordanddeed.org/bikeathon-canada) or [wordanddeed.org/bikeathon-usa](http://wordanddeed.org/bikeathon-usa).

- **Craft Fair!** We will be having a craft fair at **Dutton United Reformed Church** on **Saturday, October 9**, from 9:00am – 3:00pm. Enjoy shopping for unique homemade items and fellowship with friends while supporting small businesses from the Dutton URC Church Family and Friends of Dutton. In addition to shopping, we will have food and beverages available for purchase. We will see you there!
- **Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary's Annual Shooting Sports Fundraiser** is coming **Saturday, October 9**, at the Deer Creek Hunt Club in Three Oaks, MI (deercreekhuntclub.com). Registration and breakfast begin at 8:30am EASTERN time. Stations open at 9:30am Eastern time. Cost is \$125.00 per person for shells, 14 stations, and breakfast. Come join us for a morning of un and fellowship and help support Divine Hope. If you are unable to attend but would like to contribute, you can send contributions to Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary at P.O. Box 638, DeMotte, IN 46310. See the flier on Bulletin Board #3.

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