

CORNERSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Bulletin Announcements for February 11, 2024

Today, our morning worship service will be led by **Rev. Phil Vos**, and our evening worship service will be led by **Rev. Allen Petroelje** (Borculo CRC).

At the direction of the Consistory, Pastor Vos will spend the next week engaged in study and visitation. Please be in prayer for Pastor Vos that it may be edifying to both him and the church. Therefore, **next Sunday, Rev. Mark VanderHart** from Mid-America Reformed Seminary will be leading both of our worship services.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School and Catechism classes meet immediately following the morning worship service.

The Adult Sunday School meets in the basement Fellowship Room after the morning worship service. We are currently viewing a video series entitled *The Necessity of Reforming the Church* led by W. Robert Godfrey. **All are welcome!**

Copies of the URCNA Missionary Prayer Requests for the month of FEBRUARY 2024 from URCNA Missions Coordinator, Pastor Rich Bout, are available on the table in the narthex for those who do not receive the e-mail Prayer Postings. Let us fervently remember these brothers and their families in our prayers this month.

The Young Adult “Brave by Faith” study is **TONIGHT** at Doug and Sheryl Ulberg’s house. All young adults are welcome! Contact Pastor Vos if you need a book.

Tuesday Morning Women’s Bible Study will meet this week, **February 13**, beginning at 9:45am with coffee / refreshments. In preparation for our study, please read **Chapter 8 – The Story of a Dwelling Place** of *Even Better Than Eden* by Nancy Guthrie and **do Personal Bible Study questions 1-6**. Coffee: **Jan Dykhouse and Amanda Hodges**. **PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO Nursery this week.**

CORNERSTONE SENIORS! We meet **THIS WEEK Wednesday February 14**. Coffee and snacks at 9:45am. At 10:00am Pastor Vos will lead us in watching and discussing Lesson 4 from the study titled *The Basics of The Christian Life* by Sinclair Ferguson. This lesson is titled **THE MEANS OF GRACE: GOD’S WORD**. This is an excellent study from the Ligonier Ministries, and it is never too late to join us in the study of HIS WORD. **Please plan to attend!**

The deadline to submit items for the Cornerstory is THIS WEEK Thursday February 15. Please send information to cornerstory@hotmail.com.

The Saturday Men's Breakfast Discussion Group will be meeting **this Saturday, February 17**, at 8:45am in the church basement. **Please sign up in the Narthex if you plan on joining us**. Topics to be discussed: Balancing Work, Church, and Family, and Handling Difficult Bosses and Coworkers. Newcomers are always welcome!

Thanks for the great turnout for Family Night on February 7! What a delicious meal and fabulous fellowship we had! **Our next Family Night on February 21** promises to be another delicious meal. We will be having a variety of homemade soups, salad, pig in the blankets, and pie for dessert! **We are looking for volunteers to bring a large crock pot of their favorite soup**. If you are interested in doing this, please check out the **signup sheet in the narthex**.

Our next Family Night is on February 21 for a delicious soup supper. If you plan to come, please sign up in the narthex or online here: <https://signup.com/go/mMwkKTW>



Cornerstone's Annual Women's Conference will be held on **Friday-Saturday, March 15-16**, here at Cornerstone URC. Our main speaker is Megan Hill who will speak on *God's Grace in Seasons of Change: Finding Certain Hope in Uncertain Times*. **Early registration deadline is March 1!** Extra brochures are on the center table in the narthex. **Invite your family and friends!**

Ladies, as you are making plans to attend the Women's Conference on March 15-16, keep in mind that a group of Cornerstone women will be having dinner together prior to the conference on Friday at 5:30 p.m. at Arrows Restaurant and you are welcome to join us! Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the narthex so we can put our reservation in for the right number of people!

The Institute for Reformed Biblical Counseling (IRBC) is an interdenominational organization that is committed to train Christians to counsel in the light of God's truth from a reformed perspective. It is also committed to assisting confessional congregations across the U.S. in establishing reformed biblical counseling centers. IRBC is now accepting applications for the position of Executive Director. Please visit our website (reformedbiblicalcounseling.org) for a job description and online application form. **Application deadline: March 30, 2024.**

Reformed Mission Services

- **Individual Registration for TASC is open!** Visit rms.org/tasc to register. If you were not able reserve a spot but still want to go to TASC, please reach out to tasc@rms.org for assistance.
- **RMS is currently seeking volunteers for our upcoming mission trip to Campeche, Mexico, scheduled from March 5-13, 2024.** The local Reformed church has successfully finished the flooring and columns for their parsonage. Our dedicated team will be concentrating on tasks such as block laying, carpentry, or masonry. Visit rms.org/campeche to sign up and become a part of this trip today! **Registration closes Feb 19.**
- **There are two churches in Colombia that RMS is currently raising funds for.** One in San Pedro and the other about an hour and a half away in Cicuco. Learn more about this and other projects at rms.org/projects.

From URCNA Missions Coordinator, Pastor Richard Bout: Cross Cultural Missions Training 2024: This month-long missions training program is for young adults 18+ and will take place from **May 18 to June 15, 2024**, in central Mexico. This year's CCMT will be divided into four weeks: The first week will be an intensive boot-camp on the Pacific coast with instruction in missions and personal evangelism by Rev. Paul Murphy. The second week will be in Tepic, Mexico, where participants will continue in classes and stay in Mexican homes. The third and fourth weeks will be internships with missionaries and pastors in different parts of Mexico. For more information visit urcnamissions.org or write urcnamissions@gmail.com. Applications are being accepted but space is limited.

Right To Life Oratory Contest is on **Thursday, March 14, at 7:00pm.** **Registrations are due by Tuesday, February 27.** More information is posted on Bulletin Board #3. If you have any questions, please contact Beth Kramer or Irene VanDyk.

Registration is still open for O Church Arise! 2024: "The Blessing of Pursuing Peace" will be held on Friday-Saturday, **March 22-23**, at Bethany URC. You can register to attend at ochurcharise.com until **March 8**. Plan to attend two encouraging speeches and choose from many sectionals! **Registration is required** for this conference at ochurcharise.com.

High School Students: Registration for **O Church, Arise! 2024** closes on **March 8**. Don't delay! This conference is for you, too! Join us for a time of spiritual growth and fellowship! Rev. Matthew Nuiver will speak to the youth on "A Heart of Peace" and "A Life of Peace." **Registration is free but still required** in order to attend. Register at ochurcharise.com.

Pastors and Elders, current and retired: A special pre-conference entitled “**Leading in Peace**” is planned for you and your wives at **O Church, Arise! 2024**. Join us **Friday afternoon, March 22**, for two speeches by Scott O’Malley, lunch, and discussion. Join us for a time of spiritual growth and fellowship! Register at ochurcharise.com. Registration for the main conference is complimentary with pre-conference registration.

CADETS

- **We meet this week Wednesday, February 14.** Opening ceremonies will begin at 6:45pm; please be on time and wear complete uniforms. The Bible lesson this week is A-Lesson 16, “Watch Your Lip” for 3rd – 5th grades and B-Lesson 11, “Disagreements Leading to Anger” for 6th – 8th grades. Counselors, that is B-Lesson 10, “Disagreements Leading to Anger.”
- **Advanced Notice: February 28 is our Pinewood Derby Race. See your “Cadet News” email for more details.**

GEMS

- **Our next meeting is on Wednesday, February 21, beginning at 6:40pm.** Please do your assigned lesson as follows:
 - **3rd and 4th Grades:** Lesson #27 – Why Am I Here?
 - **5th Grade:** Lesson #33 – Psalms
 - **6th Grade:** Speak Truth: Chapter 14 and Journal Chapter 14
 - **7th Grade:** Bright Lights – Set #3: Lesson #4
 - **8th Grade:** Bright Lights – Set #3: Lesson #4

JHYG

- **Roller Skating Party:** Thursday, **February 22**, from 5:30-8:30pm at Terry Hall! Please remember to **RSVP by TONIGHT!**
- **Save the date!** The **RYS Middle School Retreat** will be **April 26-27** at Cranhill Ranch. More details to come.

HSYG

- **HSYG will meet next Sunday, February 18**, after the evening service. **Food responsibility: Tod and Sarah Moelker, and Kurt and Carissa Schuiteman.**

THIS WEEK AT CORNERSTONE

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship Service
	11:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism classes
	11:00 AM	Adult Sunday School (basement Fellowship Room)
	4:50 PM	Song Service
	5:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
	7:00 PM	“Brave By Faith” study at the Ulberg’s
Monday	6:30 PM	Deacons
	7:00 PM	Council
Tuesday	9:45 AM	Women’s Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30 AM	Early Risers (Arrows Restaurant in Hudsonville)
	9:45 AM	Hilltoppers Bible Study

	6:45 PM	Women's Bible Study - "Proverbs"
	6:45 PM	Cadets
	7:00 PM	Young Adult Bible Study
Thursday	6:30 PM	VBS at Presidential Estates
	9:00 PM	<i>Cornerstory</i> deadline
Saturday	8:45 AM	Saturday Men's Breakfast Discussion Group

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

- Offerings:** **February 11 AM:** Love INC – Allendale **PM:** Reformed Mission Services (RMS)
February 18 AM: New Horizon Reformed Mission, Scarborough, ON – Mitch Persuad
PM: Mission Fund
- Coffee Keepers:** **February 11** – Deb Brinks & Nancy VanderWey
February 18 – Paul & Gail Steenwyk
- Host Family:** **February 11** – Everyone
February 18 – John & Joan Bouma
- Nursery:** **February 11 AM:** Carol Huttinga, Kyla Johnson
PM: Tanya Sterk, Marissa Spoelma
February 18 AM: Deb Brinks, Audrey Johnson
PM: Amanda Deppe, Hannah Moelker
- Security:** **February 11 AM:** Gerald Nuiver, Randy VanderKolk **First Responder:** Beth Kramer
PM: John Emelander, Trent VanderKolk
February 18 AM: Jayson Alsum, Jake Alsum **First Responder:** Nancy Kerkstra
PM: Jeff Berens, Reece Alsum
- Sound:** **February 11** – Landon Vos **February 18** – Noah Beute
- Ushers:** **February AM:** Joshua VanderMeer, Dave VanderMeer, Jim VanBeek, Tyler VanderWood
PM: Gary Veldhof, Paul VanDyke, Randy VanderKolk, Jacob VanderWall
- Valet Attendant:** **February 11** – Isaac Vroegindewey **February 18** – Malachi Stuive

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Unity Christian High School** is hosting another **New Student Night tomorrow, Monday, February 12**. If you have a current 8th grader and are interested in learning more about Unity and signing up for an evening, please contact Julie Essebaggers at 669-1820 or jessebaggers@unitychristian.org.
- **Unity Christian High School** has several teaching positions open for the 2024-25 academic year. If you or someone you know is looking for a new teaching opportunity, please visit Unity's website for more details and instructions on how to apply (www.unitychristian.org/connect/EmploymentOpportunities). Positions available are: Full time – Science, Spanish, STEM; Part time – Industrial Arts, Art.
- **Zion Christian School** is still looking for a **girls' varsity soccer coach**. Additionally, we need a **boys' JV and boys middle school coach for next fall**. Anyone interested please fill out an application at <https://zionchristian.net/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Coach-Application.pdf> or you can contact Joel Bont at jbont@zionchristian.net.

- **This week Friday, February 16, Zion Christian School** welcomes new and inquiring parents and students to see what school looks like during the session. You will be able to meet teachers and fellow students during the school day. We want to allow you to see classrooms in action. Please call the school at 616-878-9472 for more information or if you have any questions. Hoping to see you there!
- **Zion Christian School** has a **long-term sub opening** for maternity leave for a **high school history and social studies position (US History, World History, and Post-Modern History)**. The anticipated start date is April 22 but could be as soon as April 8 if necessary and would last through the end of May. If interested or would like more information, please contact Bob DeRuiter at 616-878-9472 (x121) or bderuiter@zionchristian.net or check the Zion Christian website www.zionchristian.net for an application.

MISCELLANEOUS REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

- See the poster on **Bulletin Board #3** for Current Biggest Volunteer Needs at **Jehovah Jireh Ministries**.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** The *Philadelphia Conference on Reformed Theology* (PCRT) will hold their 2024 conference entitled “Living in an Anti-Christian World” on March 8-10, 2024, at University Reformed Church in East Lansing, MI. Main speakers include Peter Jones, Rick Phillips, and Aaron Renn. More information about the 2024 PCRT can be found on their website AllianceNet.org/PCRT2024. Register early and save up to \$40—**early registration deadline is THIS WEEK Thursday, February 15.**

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