

CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to Gene & Lillian V who celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary on February 7.

We extend our sympathy to Ruth W and family with the passing of Jerry, on Wednesday, February 14. A memorial service is tentatively set for Saturday, March 3.

Logan B and Miranda B are the 6th graders of the month. Take a moment to say a prayer that these students would continue growing in their relationship with Jesus.

10TH ANNUAL MISSIONS CELEBRATION

• **SATURDAY, MARCH 17:**

Join us for a Persian dinner at The Barn Youth Center on Saturday, March 17 at 5:00 p.m. The evening will include guest speakers Chuck, Executive Director of Kidstown International and Ray & Angie, missionaries with East-West Ministries International. There will also be a time to meet and talk with other missions' representatives. Turn in registration forms to the Welcome Center or contact the church office to reserve your spot! Additional forms are available on the Welcome Center and on our website.

• **SUNDAY, MARCH 18:**

** On Sunday morning, special guests Don, Executive Director of Project Hope and Suzanne, Director of New Way Ministries will give a presentation during the Education Hour at 9:15 a.m. in the basement.

** During the morning worship service, we will have our presentation of flags and missionaries, with guest preacher, Tim, Director of Telos Fellowship. Angie will also be sharing with our children's church during the service.

** Following the morning service, join us for refreshments in the basement. Missions representatives will have display tables set up and will be available to answer questions.

** Sunday evening, our guest speaker will be Jason, Director of Light of the World Prayer Center, during the evening worship service.

** Baby bottles will also be collected Sunday, March 18.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **EDUCATION WINTER SESSION:**

Education classes for adults and 3rd-12th grade students meet on Sundays from 9:15–10:15 a.m. A nursery and Bible class for 2nd grade and younger is available in the Ed. Building.

** **Adult Education Class:**

How is God working? We know that God is working for his glory and you are invited to hear how God is working in the lives of local and international ministries that we support. Next week, February 25, we will be blessed to hear how God is working with the Lighthouse Mission.

• **CHURCH CLOSURE – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19:**

The church offices will be closed and the church buildings locked this week Monday, February 19 in observance of President's Day.

• **DISCOVERY CLASS:**

Are you interested in knowing more about First CRC or in joining our church? This class will cover who we are, how we got here, what we believe and what we do. Pastor Robert plans to begin a class soon, if you are interested, contact Pastor Robert or the church office at 360-354-4560.

• **HELP BLESS OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS:**

TRIBE (HS Youth Group) is putting together care packages for our college students and would love to have the whole church family to be a part of encouraging these students. You can help by writing a note to one or more students, donating snack food items, money for us to purchase gift cards to restaurants in their area and above all, praying for our young men and women. A list of students and specific details can be found in your mailboxes today. We would like all donations by the February 25. There is a box in the back of church for donated items and any monetary donations can go in Liz V's box (O3). For more information, contact any one of the college care package team members: Laura B, Swandel E, Connie H or Liz V. We thank you!

• **SERVE UPDATE:**

SERVE 2018 will be June 23-30 and we need your help! Worksite coordinators are looking for projects. If you know of anyone in need, contact Len H or Dan H. Spiritual life coordinators are also looking for students and adults to stay on site and help.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

• **GEMS (1st – 8th GRADE GIRLS MINISTRY):**

Join us for a skating party on Monday, February 19 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at the Lynden Skateway. To RSVP for skating, or if you have any questions, please contact Amy V or Gail B.

• **CADETS (1st – 8th GRADE BOYS MINISTRY):**

We will meet this week Monday, February 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. If you have any questions, contact Brian S.

• **COUNCIL:**

Council will be meeting on Tuesday, February 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

• **TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):**

We started the book of John last week and some of you were not able to make it to our flannel and flapjacks kickoff. If you missed it that is ok; you can jump into week 2 of John found in your booklet. Read what goes along with your commitment level and we will talk it this week Wednesday, February 21 in the Loft starting at 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact Dan H.

• **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:**

** **WEDNESDAY AM** – *A Woman of Wisdom* based on Proverbs meets this week Wednesday, February 21 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. in The Loft. Childcare is provided. Contact Stephanie R with questions.

** **THURSDAY PM** – *A Woman of Wisdom* meets this week Thursday, February 22 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Loft. Contact Nancy Z with questions.

** **DAUGHTERS OF ZION** – We will meet this Thursday, February 22 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ed. Building and do lesson 11. Our servers this week are Lena Marie Vander Griend and Clarice Blankers. Contact Diane A with any questions.

• **MEN'S STUDY:**

We will meet Thursday, February 22 at 7:00 p.m., in the church basement. Please read Genesis 44. For more information, contact Pastor Robert at 360-354-4560.

• **OASIS 2.0 (7th-8th GRADE MINISTRY):**

Our next meeting is on Monday, February 26, until then fill out your permission slip for our snow blast retreat on March 16-17. More details will be in your box this week. For more information, contact Dan H.

PRAYER CLOSET

- **ANN K**, Liz V's mother, fell this week and is in the hospital with fractures in her spine.
- **RENA S** is in rehab at the Christian Health Care Center after falling and breaking her pelvis.
- **RUTH K** continues daily chemo treatments for a month.
- **LOUISA H** continues treatment for lymphoma.
- **MARIA T** continues treatment for cancer.
- **CASCADE CHRISTIAN HOME RESIDENT:** Amy B
- **CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE RESIDENTS:** Mary K, Carl F, Adrietta S, Julia S, Joanne V
- **LYNDEN MANOR RESIDENTS:** Edie M, Evelyn & Kristi N, Henrietta N, Gerrit P, Maggie S, Albert V, Andy & Gert V, and Cora V
- **MEADOW GREENS RESIDENTS:** Dennis B, Jennie B, Grace H, Nellie H
- **ORCHARD PARK RESIDENTS:** Eleanor & Carol Z
- **ST. FRANCIS RESIDENT:** Grace V
- **REMEMBER OUR FIRST CRC MISSIONARIES:**
Jeff & Melissa
Ray & Angie
Steve & Sandy
Gary & Mary
Memli & Luiza
Al & Julie
Tim & Charlene
Eric & Penny
Mitchell & Rochelle
Chuck
John & Jean
Ken & Chris

Church Building Hours:

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Monday – Friday

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Saturday

Doors Unlocked: north office, east library, basement kitchen, and west side of Ed. Building

Church Office Hours:

8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Monday – Friday

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 18, 2018

Bus Driver: Dan V
Nursery Baby: Peggy B, Carolyn B, Trinity V
Toddler: Jan B, Sara B, Carter A
Floater: Jenny B
PM: Crystal H, Kristen Hi
Greeters: Cal & Laura B, Bill & Dora B
Welcome: Bryan & Kim A
Ushers: Chris F, Craig G, Ken H, Linsey H, Len H, Jason V
Security: Rick B
Sound: Jordan H
Video: Lee V, Nancy Z
Music AM: Nancy Z
PM: Kara H
Flowers: Debbie S, Nicole B
Coffee: Laura B, Pat D, Elsie D, Vicky D
Cookies:

Sunday, February 25, 2018

Bus Driver: Dan V
Nursery Baby: Jennie B, Swandel E, Emily A
Toddler: Anna Lee F, Sandy G, Levi B
Floater: Kelsey G
PM: Kristin H, Jessica H
Greeters: Ryan & Sara B, Jake D
Welcome: Terry & Nicole B
Ushers: Doug H, Len H, Rich H, Ken R
Security: Randy L, Patrick J
Sound: Jed S
Video: Brant H
Music AM: Cheryl K, Nancy Z
PM: Lee V
Flowers: Susan B
Coffee: Brian K, Nicole B
Cookies: Tina D, Greta E, Swandel E, Donelle F

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Sunday, February 18 ~ First Sunday of Lent

8:45 Prayer Time in the Council Room
9:15 Education Hour for Adults and Students
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
Message: *Grace & Peace to You from Peter*
Scripture: *II Peter 1:1-2*
Offering: Al & Julie
Love Offering: Bethany Christian Services
11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement
6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W
Message: *Nicene Creed:
Ancient Words Every True*
Scripture: *Ephesians 4:1-6*
Offering: Al & Julie

Monday, February 19 ~ President's Day

** Church Offices and Building Locked
6:30 GEMS Skating Party at the Lynden Skateway
7:00 Cadets meet in the Church Basement

Tuesday, February 20

7:00 Council meets in the Council Room

Wednesday, February 21

10:00 Women's Bible Study meets in the Loft
7:30 Tribe meets in the Loft

Thursday, February 22

10:00 Daughters of Zion meets in the Ed. Building
7:00 Women's Bible Study meets in the Loft
7:00 Men's Study meets in the Church Basement

Sunday, February 25 ~ Second Sunday of Lent

8:45 Prayer Time in the Council Room
9:15 Education Hour for Adults and Students
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W
Message: *The Great Escape*
Scripture: *II Peter 1:3-4*
Offering: Christian Hope Association
Love Offering: Bethany Christian Services
11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement
6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W
Message: *Nicene Creed:
Ancient Words Every True*
Offering: Christian Hope Association