

CHURCH FAMILY

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Please remember Pastor Robert W, Pastor Barry B, Dan H and their wives in the weeks to come. We will be recognizing them in front of church before the morning worship service today.

My family and I would like to thank you so much for the many cards and meals received with the passing of our mother, Rena F. She had such love for our church and attended faithfully until she was no longer comfortable. We appreciate also the in-home visits from close friends and Pastor W and Pastor B. She looked forward to each one!
~ Angie W and the F Family

A gigantic thanks to everyone who came out to support Tribe this past Wednesday. The potatoes were hot, the various chilies were delicious, the desserts were sweet, and sitting down and connecting with others was the best part. Thanks for your continued support.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **COMBINED CRC CHRISTMAS CHOIR CANTATA:**
All singers are invited to join in praise and commemoration of the birth of our Savior! “Come to the Manger” will be performed with full orchestra on Sunday, December 3 at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. at Third CRC. Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays: October 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, 29 from at 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Third CRC in Lynden. Music scores will be \$10 each (covered by individuals or by your church).
- **TIRED NOT RETIRED PUMPKIN FEST – OCTOBER 20:**
Join us on **Friday, October 20** (note the change of date) at 6:00 p.m. (or later if you can't be there by 6:00 p.m.) at Rich & Coni H's for soup, dessert and pumpkin carving. Please bring a pumpkin, carving knife and desert to share. Sign up in the back of church. For more information, contact Liz V.

- **DINNER 8'S – SIGN UP NOW:**

Dinner 8's is a great way to connect with other people from our church family. It's called dinner 8's because generally groups of 8 people, made up of individuals and couples, meet and share a meal together during the months of November, January, February, and March (the schedule is flexible and determined by members). Once you sign up you will be placed in a group of 7-8 people that rotate homes and what people bring. Sign up in the back of church by October 22! If you have any questions, please contact Patrick J or Marilyn M.

- **USED MEN'S JACKETS NEEDED FOR SEAFARERS:**

The Mission Ministry Team is collecting new and used men's jackets (medium & large preferred) for the Seafarers ministry for the month of October. Many crew members reside in tropical countries and do not own jackets that would keep them warm when they work on deck over a cold ocean. Since these men are away from home for up to 10 months, used Christian CDs and DVDs would also be appreciated. Please put donations in the marked box in the Ed. Building.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- **EDUCATION CLASSES:**

Education classes for adults and students in 3rd-12th grades, meet on Sunday mornings from 9:30 – 10:15 a.m. You are welcome to join at any time! The adult class, *God's Story Is Bigger Than This Cultural Moment!* meets in the church basement. A nursery and Bible class for children 2nd grade and younger is available in the Ed. Building.

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

Join us this week Monday, October 16 from 7:00–8:30 p.m. in the Loft for our next discussion on friendship and what Proverbs says about picking good friends. For more information, contact Dan H.

- **COUNCIL:**

Council will meet on Tuesday, October 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

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

We will meet this Wednesday, October 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ed. Building. If you have any questions, please contact Amy V or Gail B.

- **WORSHIP PLANNING TEAM:**

The Worship Planning Team will meet on Wednesday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

- **TRIBE (HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY):**

Students – you did an amazing job preparing and serving at our potato feast. It was a joy for us, your leaders, to see you work together, serve others, and have fun while you are doing it. The leaders also want to spotlight Crystal for your hard work on Tuesday and Wednesday. We could not have done this without you and we can't thank you enough.

** Join this Wednesday, October 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Loft.

We have a special guest who will talk to us about how East and West think differently and how we can connect with our Asian brothers and sister. We will see you there and yes, I picked up more Mt. Dew. We will also be preparing for our pumpkin games the following week. For information, contact Dan H.

- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:**

** **Wednesday AM & Thursday PM–**

We are studying *Joy Beyond Agony: Embracing the Cross of Christ* on Wednesdays, 10:00–11:30 a.m. and Thursdays, 7:00–8:30 p.m. in the Loft. Please prepare lesson 6 for this week. For more information, contact Phama W or Stephanie R.

** **DAUGHTERS OF ZION –**

Join us as we study *Miracles: Signs of God's Glory* on Thursday, October 19 at 10:00 a.m. in the Ed. Building. The servers this week are Jennie B and Gert K. For more information, call Diane A.

- **MEN'S STUDY:**

All men, young and old, are invited to join Pastor Robert in a study of the *Life of Joseph: Favorite Son, Hated Brother* and explore the challenges men face as brothers, husbands and fathers. We will meet on Thursday, October 19 at 7:00 p.m., in the church basement. Please read Genesis 38. For more information, contact Pastor Robert at 360-354-4560.

PRAYER CLOSET

- **CASE V** is in rehab at the Christian Health Care Center.
- **CURT M** is in rehab at the Christian Health Care Center.
- **BETTY H** is in rehab at the Christian Health Care Center.
- **MARIA T** is at home continuing her treatment for cancer.
- **SHELLEY L** continues her recovery from a stroke.
- **CASCADE CHRISTIAN HOME RESIDENT:** Amy B
- **CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE CENTER RESIDENTS:** Mary K, Carl F, Julia S, Ann V, and 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, and Adrietta S
- **ORCHARD PARK RESIDENTS:** Eleanor & Carol Z
- **ST. FRANCIS RESIDENT:** Grace V
- **REMEMBER OUR FIRST CRC MISSIONARIES**

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 15, 2017

Nursery Baby: Jill B, Dee B, Katelyn V
Toddler: Peggy B, Jennie B, Nicholas M
Floater: Carolyn B
PM: Mary V, Kathryn V
Greeters: Jack & Wilma P, Roger & Mary P
Welcome: Lance & Jessica H
Ushers: Len H, Rich H, Ken R, Dan R
Bus Driver: Blaine K
Sound: Jed S
Video: Kaelan K
Flowers: Bev H
Cookies: Marcela S, Julie S, Jane S, Lori S, Brian K, Nicole B
Coffee: Ken & Lisa Q
Music **AM:** Lee V
PM: Lee V

Sunday, October 22, 2017

Nursery Baby: Jan B, Jenny B, Reagan V
Toddler: Sara B, Swandel E, Jacob T
Floater: AnnaLee F
PM: Kelli V, Phama W
Greeters: Ken & Lisa Q, Ken & Connie R
Welcome: Mike & Michelle S
Ushers: Carl R, Robert S, Brian S, Ed V
Bus Driver: Blaine K
Sound: Tim H
Video: Jeff K
Flowers: Lori S
Cookies: Betty S, Cora S, Michelle S, Metdy S, Lloyd & Linda F, Nelda S
Coffee: Lee V, Nancy Z
Music **AM:** Sharon A
PM: Sharon A

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Sunday, October 15

9:30 Education Hour for Adults and Students
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W
Message: *Grace or Merit? Grace Alone*
Scripture: *Ephesians 2:1-10*
Offering: Lighthouse Mission
11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement
6:00 Worship Service ~ Berny D
Message: *The Importance of Preaching*
Scripture: *Romans 10:14-21*
Offering: Lighthouse Mission

Monday, October 16

7:00 Oasis meets in the Loft

Tuesday, October 17

7:00 Council meets in the Council Room

Wednesday, October 18

10:00 Women's Bible Study meets in the Loft
6:30 GEMS meets in the Ed. Building
7:00 Worship Planning meets in the Council Room
7:30 Tribe meets in the Loft

Thursday, October 19

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

Sunday, October 22

9:30 Education Hour for Adults and Students
10:30 Worship Service ~ Robert W
Message: *Why Did God...?*
Scripture: *Romans 11:33-36*
Offering: Memli & Luiza
11:45 Fellowship Time in the Church Basement
6:00 Worship Service ~ Robert W
Message: *Sleepless in Susa*
Scripture: *Esther 6*
Offering: Memli & Luiza