

Sunday December 29, 2019

~We welcome all who worship with us today~

Prayer Needs:

- God's indispensable blessing on the preached word, may the Holy Spirit draw us all to the Lord Jesus Christ.
- For the repentance and full restoration of those who have been placed under the first step of church discipline.
- Those sorrowing the loss of loved ones, those with afflictions of the body, mind and spirit, the lonely, elderly, widowers and widows in our midst.
- For our nation, that we would be drawn back to God and biblical living. Pray for our president in the weighty task entrusted to him.
- For truly humble hearts of thanksgiving to the Lord for all his mercies and benefits given unto us.
- Harvey Spaans, thanksgiving for successful surgery, pray for continued healing.
- Alex Rust and Alexis Davelaar who will be united in marriage this Friday, January 3. Pray their marriage will be richly blessed in Christ Jesus.
- Emily Post, who will leave this Tuesday for Europe; she will be spending one college semester in the Netherlands studying.
- Jason and Hannah, who plan to leave on January 16 for Central Asia to work for *Mission Aviation Fellowship*.

"The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore." Psalm 121: 5-8

Announcements:

Today: *Congregational Prayer* at 9:00 am

Pastor Elshout serves.

Coffee and fellowship follow the morning worship service.

There will be no Catechism Class, Sunday School, or Adult Class today

This evening there will be a *Commemorative Service for New Year's Eve 2019*

1st Offering: General Fund 2nd Offering: General Fund

Next Lord's Day: *Congregational Prayer* at 9:00 am. Pastor Elshout serves.

2nd Offering: Domestic Outreach

Morning worship will be a *Commemorative Service for the New Year 2020*

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"Whoever delays his repentance does, in effect pawn his soul with the devil."
Thomas Manton

December:

Sunday 29th: *Commemorative Service for New Year's Eve 2019*, evening worship

January:

Sunday 5th: *Commemorative Service for the New Year 2020*, morning worship

Tuesday 7th: Consistory Meeting at church, 7:00 pm

Wednesday 8th: *Monthly Church Family Night*, Hope Haven at 6:50 pm

Wednesday 15th: Ladies' Bible Study, same time and location

Tuesday 21st: Informational Meeting at church, 7 pm (see pastoral letter for details)

Wednesday 22nd: Ladies' Bible Study, same time and location

February:

Sunday 2nd: Dr. Sacha Walicord serves

Wednesday 5th: Ladies' Bible Study, same time and location

Wednesday 5th: *Monthly Church Family Night*, Hope Haven at 6:50 pm

Wednesday 12th: Ladies' Bible Study, same time and location

Wednesday 26th: Ladies' Bible Study, same time and location

Members and friends with ongoing needs:

Wilma Koedam George & Chris Vonk Nellie Fintelman Mrs. Joan Maassen

Greeters:

December 29: Bruce and Emily Van Beek

January 5 Dean and Mary Maassen

Lunch Schedule:

December 29: Lavonne S. and Annette M.

January 5: Leah VB and Marlene VH

Grateful acknowledgement is given for the following collections:

12/01/19 General - \$1,281

12/08/19 General - \$2,230

12/15/19 General - \$1,436

12/22/19 General - \$914

12/25/19 General - \$1,732

12/08/19 Local Mission - \$1,061

12/15/19 Benevolent - \$1,367

12/22/19 PRTS - \$1,256

12/25/19 Construction - \$11,994

~All the LORD willing~

The Second Service

What is happening to the second service? We live in times where it is difficult to be a Christian. We need to combat the spirit of the age with an active and alert Christianity, and a disciplined spiritual life.

The great Synod of Dort (1618 - 19) already warned against the slackening of the second service attendance. It also decided to have regular Catechism preaching during the second service to build up the people of God in their faith. Furthermore, the congregations were to be encouraged during family visitation to be faithful in their worship services. Why attend worship services? They are a means of grace. We come together as a priesthood of believers to offer praise to God, to be strengthened in our faith and to have preparation of living according the principles of Holy Scripture.

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some it; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as you see the Day approaching"
Hebrews 10:25

Heritage Reformed Congregation

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*"O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel
before the LORD our maker." Psalm 95:6*



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