Sunday, March 24, 2024 ~We welcome all who worship with us today~ ~Passion Season, sixth week~

Prayers:

- God's blessing on the preached Word today, and the Passion of the Lord Jesus.
- Those sorrowing the loss of loved ones, those with afflictions of body, mind & spirit, the lonely, the widower & widows. All who are unable to worship with us today due to illness, age or infirmities.
- For our nation and its leaders to bow under the lordship of Jesus Christ.
- For the nations of Haiti, Israel, and Ukraine all in severe states of war or unrest.
- Pray for rain for the dry land.
- God's blessing on our Good Friday worship service this week.
- Thanksgiving for a healthy baby born to Tanner and Joanna Van Middendorp, Bryson Dean. Pray for him to grow up to love and serve the Lord.

<u>Today:</u> Pastor van der Hoek serves at 9:30am and 6:00pm.

Fellowship and refreshments after the morning service.

Catechism, Sunday School and the Adult Class from 11:20am to 12:05pm.

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

<u>Next Lord's Day</u>: Pastor van der Hoek serves at 9:30am and 6:00pm Fellowship after the morning service. No Catechism or Sunday School <u>2nd Offering</u>: Facilities Fund

Good Friday: Worship service this week Friday at 7pm. Offering: General Fund

 $\underline{\textit{VBS}}$: We'd like to have a meeting to plan this year's VBS. If you would be interested in helping out this year, please let me know so I can send out a poll to plan a date everyone can attend. Hanneke vdH

Dinner: The annual dinner to benefit the Alpha Center, a pregnancy center in Sioux Falls, will be held on <u>Friday April 26</u>. This is a worthwhile prolife event with a delicious meal and inspirational speakers. To signup or with questions see Linda VB

<u>Heritage Spring Retreat</u>: All single/married adults aged 18-35 are invited to join us for fellowship, topics, workshops, delicious food, and campfire discussions at the Heritage Spring Retreat.

When and where: Saturday morning, May 18, noon thru Monday, May 20, at the Maple Grove Christian Retreat Centre in Thamesford, Ontario.

Topic: Your Place, Your Community: "Walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called." Eph. 4:1

Speakers: Pastor R. Vandoodewaard, Pastor H. Bartsch, Pastor M. Wagenaar **Cost**: \$250 CAD/person for the weekend.

Tickets available @ https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/heritage-spring-retreat-tickets-816126074057 Follow Heritage Spring Retreat on Instagram and Facebook or contact organizers@heritageretreat.ca for more information.

Friday 29th: Good Friday, worship service at 7:00 pm

Sunday 31st: Easter Sunday (note: no Catechism or Sunday School on Easter)

April:

Monday 1st: Consistory Meeting at church, 7:00pm Tuesday 2nd: Ladies' Bible Study, at church, 1:30pm

<u>Wednesday 3rd</u>: *Church Activity Evening*, Hope Haven, 6:50pm Saturday 6th: Singalong and Prayer at the van der Hoek's at 7pm

<u>Sunday 7th:</u> *Youth Group* will meet following the evening service.

<u>Tuesday 9th</u>: Serve at The Banquet, SF (see note)

Sunday 21st: Youth Group will meet at the parsonage following the evening service.

<u>Note</u>: The first monthly Singalong and Prayer gathering will be held on Saturday, April 6, 7pm at the van der Hoek's home. All are welcome! See John G. with questions.

Birthdays:

March 24: Ava Zomer March 25: Jaden Post March 26: Brent Bleyenberg

March 29: Julie Post

Banquet: Our Youth Group is planning to serve a meal at the *The Banquet* in SF on Tuesday, April 9. We are looking for 6 adults to prepare the food from 2-5pm and then need volunteers to serve the meal from 5-8pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex if you would be willing to help; anyone is welcome to sign up! If you have any questions, see Heather or Amber.

Church Lunch:

March 24: Carolyn B. and Annette M. March 31: Marilyn G. and Esther VDB

Greeters:

March 24: Harvey and Lavonne Spaans

March 31: Pastor Pieter and Hanneke van der Hoek

Nursery:

<u>March 24</u>: <u>March 31</u>:

AM: Jen VW, Alexa Z. & Lois vdH
PM: Jacie VW, Ciana Z. & Tirzah vdH

AM: Shanae VW, Ellie P. & Ariel VW
PM: Paige C., Miylie Z. & Ashtyn C.

Good Friday: Heather VG & Rayna M.

The congregation is acknowledged for the following February collections:

Benevolent Fund: \$1,458.00 General Fund: \$9,478.00 <u>HRC Mission Fund</u>: \$2,219.00 <u>Local Mission</u>: \$1,380.00

God so loved the world, that he seemed for a time not to love his Son in comparison to it, or equal with it. The person to whom a gift is given is in that regard accounted more valuable than the gift or present made to him. Thus, God valued our redemption above the worldly happiness of the Redeemer, and sentenced him to a humiliation on earth, for the purpose of our exaltation in heaven. He was desirous to hear him groaning, and see him bleeding, that we might not groan under his frowns, and bleed under his wrath. He spared not him, that he might spare us; refused not to strike him, that he might be well pleased with us: drenched his sword in the blood of his Son, that it might not for ever be wet with ours, but that his goodness might forever triumph in our salvation. He was willing to have his Son made man and die, rather than man should perish, who had delighted to ruin himself. (...) And when this Son in our nature prayed that the cup might pass from him, goodness would not suffer it, to show how it valued the manifestation of itself in the salvation of man, above the preservation of the life of so dear a person.

~Stephen Charnock

From: "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded", Jonathan Gibson

Heritage Reformed Congregation

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"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD." Psalm 122:1



Worship Services: 9:30 AM & 6:00 PM

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