

Lord's Day, September 6, 2009

We extend a cordial welcome to all who come here to worship our wonderful covenant God. Please fellowship with us also following the service in the Fellowship Hall.

Prayer & Praise

Our Worship

- We enter the worship of our great God with these words of Psalm 108:3-5: "I will praise you, O Lord, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples. For great is your love, higher than the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies. Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, and let your glory be over all the earth."

Our Community and World

- Pray for the safety of our military personnel and the cessation of war so that the gospel of Christ will be better able to reach the peoples of our world. Pray for the church living under difficult circumstances in some places and nations.
- Pray for the Lord's blessings on our young people and boys and girls who are returning to school, and the schools where they attend so that they might come to know about God's world through the perspective of His Word. Pray for Ontario Christian Schools and others which seek to honor the Lord's call to bring all of learning under the Lordship of Christ.

Our Missionaries

- Give thanks with John and Shirley Wind for the many encouraging church and individual visits they had while in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Pray for Manuel and Nancy and children in the new church plant ministry in San Francisco, Yucatan, Mexico and pray for safety in travel as John & Shirley head back to Mexico.

Our Church Family

- Thank the Lord for the measure of progress that Harlan Miersma is making at the Pomona Valley Hospital. Pray for the full recovery of Al Rollema who is doing well after his stroke, healing for Vickie Van Heyningen who is at home, patience for Steve Van Hofwegen who was transferred back to Inland Nursing Facility on Thursday, and continued progress for Henrietta Visser and Grace Vander Wal. Pray for Wilma Van Dyk in her health needs. Thank the Lord that Nandini Gami, a visitor to our church along with her parents and brother, was able to return home from the CHOC Hospital with her seizures under control.

- Pray for the grace and protection of Trevor Dalglish as he transitions to Air Force life.
- Pray for those who are unable to worship with us on a regular basis, including Bets Bos, Billie Anne De Vries, Clara Van Hofwegen, Gertrude Visscher, Tena Gerritsen, Art Burghgraef, Sadie Vander Weide, Rena Mellema, and others.
- On this Labor Day weekend let us be thankful for meaningful jobs to support our families. Pray for encouragement and new jobs for those who are presently unemployed.
- As the consistory looks ahead to making nominations for elders and deacons, please pray that the Lord will raise up qualified and willing men to serve in these important offices.

Our Federation

- Pray for the spiritual and numerical growth of the members of our churches as they feed on the Word of God today. Pray that the Lord will continue to add new members from the neighborhoods where He has placed us.

Church Announcements

THIS MORNING will be a preparatory service in anticipation of celebrating the Lord's Supper next Sunday morning. Students studying in this area, who wish to partake as communicant members for the year, are encouraged to ask for a student participation form from the elders. The form is available at the information desk. We want to remind all of our guests who are not members of this congregation that they are welcome to participate at the table with us provided that they request permission of the elders in the narthex prior to the service. You will be asked to sign a pledge that you are a confessing member of a Bible believing church, that you can affirm the real presence of Christ at the table, and that you are living a repentant life style as one of Christ's redeemed people.

THE EVENING OFFERING is for Nick Lamme and his work with Rev. Green in Costa Rica. While Rev. Green still continues on in the same capacity as before, the addition of Nick allows him to expand the scope and reach of Confraternidad Latinoamericana de Iglesias Reformadas (CLIR). Nick's duties include: teaching at Tepeyac school, preaching, translating, writing, editing, and preparing the CLIR journal. Due to the increased costs of adding Nick, his wife Rose and their 3 children to this work, they humbly asks for your financial gifts and prayers.

SINGLE FOCUS meets tonight at the Falkena's house following the evening service. David and Michael Ligtenberg will be leading the discussion on Chapter One in *Chameleon Christianity*. Please read this chapter and come ready to share your thoughts! If you do not have your book yet, check your box or the information counter.

A NEW YEAR OF CHOIR is beginning this Wednesday at 7:45 pm in the front of the sanctuary. We would love to have you join us as we look forward to seeing familiar faces as well as new ones! ANYONE who loves to sing is welcome!

BELLS OF PRAISE - we will have our first rehearsal this Wednesday night at 6:30.

FAMILY NIGHT Adult Class resumes this Wednesday! The first 4-6 weeks we will discuss a recent report from Synod that deals with the "Federal Vision" heresy within the Reformed/Presbyterian denominations. See you Wednesday!

GEMS - Wednesday is our kick-off the year with a pool party, followed by making S'mores. We will be meeting in the GEMS' ROOM on the north side of the Ed Building before walking to the pool. Please arrive at 6:45 wearing your swimsuit and bring a towel. Your parents can pick you up by the Education buildings at 8:30.

SHIELD Hamburger Dinner...This Wednesday 5:00-6:30 pm. Come kick-off family night at the high school youth group hamburger dinner. This is one of the fundraisers SHIELD does through the year to raise support for our retreat and national convention. SHIELDers, don't forget to come early and ready to help!

MEN'S THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY will meet at Guasti Homestyle Café on Thursday at 11 am to discuss the Preface and Chapter One of *The Message of Acts in the History of Redemption*. If you plan to come but have not received a book, you can pick one up at the information counter.

FAITH CORE KICK-OFF is this Friday! All 7th and 8th graders are welcome to join us for games, fun and food. Meet at church at 3:15, or at Ontario Christian right after school - transportation will be provided. Check your box for a flier and a schedule.

SHIELD kick-off party is Saturday from 4-8 pm. See the flier in your box. Larry and Lorae Vanden Berge are hosting this party at their house... be sure to thank them! We will begin regular meetings next Sunday evening, September 13, with a Parent Night. All SHIELD parents are welcome to join us to play some games and hear about the year that we have planned. A light meal will be served by the leaders.

THE NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL SEASON will begin next Sunday at 9:00 AM. The Adult Class will meet in the Education Building with Dr. McIlhenny, Professor of History at Providence Christian College, who will begin our season with a series on Christianity and Liberalism. Everyone is welcome to come learn about defending the faith in our modern/postmodern context. If you ordered a book for this class, they are available on the foyer table.

PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY in the narthex if you plan to attend Pastor Scheuers' membership class. This is a class for those who may be considering becoming a communicant member of our congregation, or who may simply wish to know more about the Reformed faith. The class will begin next Sunday after the morning service and will run for about 10 weeks. All are invited to attend.

WOMEN OF ALL AGES are invited to join GLOW Bible Study. This season we will study *The Patriarchs* by Beth Moore, an intriguing, in-depth Bible study of Genesis 12-50 as God's plan unfolds through the lives of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. We will begin meeting on Wednesday, September 16, 9:30 AM for coffee & fellowship, singing and prayer, and Bible discussion and teaching time. We look forward to meeting together with our regular members as well as some new faces. We also provide loving care for your children. New ladies, call Pattie De Haan to order a book.

2ND ANNUAL SO. CAL URC PICNIC - Saturday, September 26. Our church's picnic coordinator is Carol Gabrielse and you can RSVP to her at 627-6072 or bcgabes@aol.com. The deadline to RSVP is Monday, September 21. Transportation in the church van is available on a first come, first serve basis for seniors who are unable to drive. A sign-up sheet is on the foyer table. An ice chest will be available for your food. If there is anyone who has an extra ice chest to loan to the planning committee, please contact Gary Anderson.

F-4 GROUPS are again being formed. Please fill out the flier available on the foyer table and place it in the basket.

TAPES & CD'S of the services may be ordered at the information desk.

OFFERINGS: Faith Promise \$20; Benevolence \$4,000; General Fund \$6,666; Tuition Assistance \$100; Lynwood URC \$787; Mid-America RS \$25; Providence CC \$721; General Fund \$5,175; Luke Society \$344; Covenant URC \$561.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE ONTARIO CHRISTIAN Athletic Boosters Club invites everyone to attend our Annual Labor Day Pancake breakfast. The weather will be great and food even better. Serving begins at: 7:00am and will run thru 11:00am. See you there.

INLAND CHRISTIAN HOME'S AUXILIARY will meet Wednesday, September 9 in the Friendship Center. Come for coffee and goodies, starting at 9:30 AM and join us for an informative morning!

WILL YOU SOAR WITH SALEM? Salem Christian Homes is having their Flight of Faith Benefit Auction on September 26, 5:00 pm at the Planes of Fame Museum in Chino. Many wonderful items have been donated for the Silent and Live Auctions that you won't want to miss out on, while helping your friends at Salem, too! The tickets are \$20 each, include dinner, and must be purchased by September 10. You can contact Alan Bos, Dee Van, or Bethany Scheuers, or visit us online at www.salemchristianhomes.org to get your tickets today.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of Providence Christian College invites you to attend the inauguration of Dr. J. Derek Halvorson as the second president of the college on Saturday, September 19, at 2:00 p.m. The inauguration will be held at the First United Reformed Church in Chino. A dessert reception will follow. For further information, see the college website: providencecc.net

THE PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN College faculty will present a series of lectures as part of the presidential inauguration celebration on the evenings of September 16-18. You are invited to attend any or all of these lectures in the college chapel at 7:00 p.m. each evening. See the college website: providencecc.net for details.

INLAND CHRISTIAN HOME has an open position for Director of Maintenance. For more info, see job posting at www.jobing.com. You may apply in person or fax resume to (909) 983-0431.

MEMORY VERSE - EPHESIANS 2:4-5a

NIV, ⁴"But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, ⁵made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—"

KJV, ⁴"But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, ⁵Even when we were dead in sins,"

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY: 7:30 PM Single FOCUS, refreshments - the Falkenas.
TUESDAY: 6:00 PM Yesterday's Youth, G. Boschma & H. Harmsen, hostessess; J. Japin, devotions.
7:00 PM Council Meeting
WEDNESDAY: 5:30 AM Men's Bible Study at Chino Denny's. Read Rom. 14:13-23 and 185-196 in "The Epistle to the Romans".
Family Night 5:00 PM SHIELD Hamburger Dinner
6:30 PM Bells of Praise meets in the Sanctuary
6:45 PM Cherub Kids, GEMS, Cadets, High School Catechism, Adult Class
7:45 PM Choir
THURSDAY: 11:00 AM Men's Bible Study at Guasti Café
FRIDAY: 3:15 PM Faith Core
SATURDAY: 4:00 PM SHIELD Kick-Off Party at the Vanden Berge's
NEXT SUNDAY: 9:00 AM Sunday Education Program begins.
7:30 PM SHIELD

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

NURSERY TODAY AM: Katie De Graaf, Jillian De Hoog, Jacob Kortenhoeven PM: Dawn Dirksen
NEXT SUNDAY AM: Liz De Hoog, Michelle Bonnema, Miranda Munguia PM: Dianne De Groot
September 20 AM: Audry Pierce, Elle Pierce, Janelle Peters PM: Ingrid Sterk
COOKIES FOR Sept. 13: Linda Sharp, Dorothy Slegers **Sept. 20:** Cheryl Smith, Cathy Smith, Roxanne Stache (5 dz.)
CAR WATCH AM: Frank Dayen PM: Henry Docter, Rich Docter **Next Sunday** AM: David Douma PM: Dan Dundon, Mike Dykstra
GREETERS TODAY AM: Gerrit & Willie MacLeane, Mike & Julie Meeks PM: Nelvina Sybesma, Agnes Otte
NEXT WEEK AM: Aaron & Connie Munguia, Miranda & Mossimo; Stephanie & Vanessa Munguia PM: John Murphy family
INFORMATION BOOTH TODAY AM & PM: Ollie Oldenkamp Fellowship Hall: Melissa Fulton
Next Sunday AM & PM: Betty Greydanus Fellowship Hall: Sophie Koolhaas
USHERS FOR September AM: Brian Vanden Heuvel, Harvey Visser, Drew Vander Well PM: Geoff Vanden Heuvel
OFFERINGS Next Sunday AM: General Budget & Inland Home CARE Fund PM: Westminster Adopt-A-Student