

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

February 28, 2010

WELCOME: We are glad to have you join your heart and voice with ours as we bring our prayers and praises before God. If you are visiting with us, please stop by the information booth and pick up a "We're Glad You Are Here" packet which includes information about our church activities as well as what we believe.



CHILDREN AND WORSHIP:

Children's Worship will be offered during our morning services. All children ages three through the 3rd grade are invited to attend.

TODAY

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP: Everyone is invited to the fellowship hall between the morning services for coffee.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL Do you want to know more about what we believe and why? We have 3 different Adult Sunday School classes that meet to dig into aspects of Reformed theology. Feel free to attend any of these classes (rooms 4, 3/5 or 14).



MEMBERSHIP SEMINAR:

Because of the number of participants and time schedules, the class will be divided into two sections. One class will meet from 9:45 - 10:30 a.m. in room 3/5 and the other class will meet after the evening service (approximately 6:10 p.m.).



A book by a writer named Tony Maan is a result of his interest in art and theology. Gathering the paintings of Dutch artist Rembrandt van Rijn (1606-1669) that focus on the life of Jesus, he combines them with meditations on the Scriptures. The author

says, "Rembrandt was familiar, to the minutest detail, with the stories of the Bible. In his own way he was a preacher. He studied the Biblical text, thought about the truth embedded there, and then proclaimed it through his gift of artistry." Be challenged and blessed by spending time with this book in this Lenten season.

February 17 was Ash Wednesday, ushering in the season of Lent. In keeping with the season, the Library is pleased to invite you to view the paintings of Marie O'Hara, one of our winter residents, who has five of them on display that creatively reflect the suffering and resurrection of our Lord Jesus.

CD'S: If you would like recordings of any service, please fill out a slip in the library and your CD will be ready for pick up in the library the following Sunday. A donation of \$1 is requested.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS to Sharon and Jim Brussee who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Friday, the 26th. You are invited to the fellowship hall for special refreshments and a time to greet the Brussees and their children.

THANK YOU: "Gene Dykstra wishes to thank everyone who has been so kind and generous during her trials and tribulations with back fracture and accompanying pain. The food, the visits, the cards and telephone calls showed such concern and love. I will always remember each act of Christian love...extended by so many of my family."

THIS WEEK

LADIES TUESDAY AM BIBLE STUDY will meet this Tuesday. Coffee and fellowship at 9:30 a.m. and Bible study at 10:00. We will be studying Lesson 8. All ladies are invited to join us.

SENIOR BIBLE STUDY: Meets this Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Rev. Bernie Pekelder will lead the session focusing on "Studies in the Parables." This week's lesson is "The Shrewd Manager" from Luke 16:1-12.



On Thursdays, all ladies are invited to join us for Coffee Break. We gather promptly at 9 a.m., with prayer requests shared at 9:15, and Bible study starting at 9:30. We are studying the book of Judges.



MEN'S BREAKFAST AND DISCUSSION FELLOWSHIP meets this Thursday at 7:00 am. After breakfast, Charles Colson's *The Faith* will be used to initiate interactive discussion. John Daane will lead the lesson. There is no age limit and support for meal costs will be voluntary.

NEW BIBLE STUDY ON PRAYER: Women, are you interested in "IGNITING a Passion to PRAY" through a 6-week study on prayer? Please join Jacki DeKuiper (592-5556) and Michele Kuperus in Room 6 on Friday mornings from 8:30 - 10:00. We will use the Moms In Touch International Prayer Curriculum authored by MITI founder Fern Nichols. See/call Jacki or Michele with questions and/or to sign up.

CRC YEARBOOKS: This is the last week for you to order a CRC 2010 Yearbook, please call the office. The cost will be \$13.00.

YOUTH

JR HIGH YOUTH GROUP meets tonight! All 6th-8th graders are welcome—6:15 in the youth room. Next week is our combined Sr. High/Jr High meeting. We will be doing skits on the Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14-30). Get a head start—work on them this week!

SR HIGH: SERVE registrations MUST be turned in TODAY!!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE ITEM: This year's Faith Promise pledges came to \$63,194. Thank you to all those who trust God to provide the money pledged towards missions.



EASTER LILIES: We will be purchasing lilies to decorate the front of the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. If you would like to donate an Easter lily in memory or in honor of someone, please fill out the purple form located on the information table in the narthex. Please place the form, with payment, in the box marked "Easter Lilies" on the information table by Sunday, March 22. Price: 6" (one plant) \$8.50 and 8" (two plants) \$16.50.

CLASSIS SOUTHEAST will be meeting in Orlando on March 5 and 6. Pastor Gerrit, Pastor Todd and Elder Roy Vander Klok will be attending.

SR FELLOWSHIP: Join us for a special outing on Wednesday, March 10. We will meet at Bradenton Christian School for brunch and a tour of the school. If you plan to attend, please sign up in the narthex. We will meet at BCS at 9:30 a.m. in the elementary auditorium. Please enter through the elementary

office on the east side of the building. BCS is located at 3304 43rd St W.

MEALS ON WHEELS: Congratulations, BCRC, you donated 4,092 pounds of food to the Food Bank of Manatee County!

PASTOR OF VISITATION: Pastor Al Bytwork has agreed to be our pastor of visitation this year. He comes to us from Cutlerville East of Grand Rapids, Mich. If you would like to contact Pastor Bytwork, please call him at 1-616-443-2566 or email at alwbyte@comcast.net.

TAC applications for the 2010-2011 school year are now ready at the church office TAC box. All families that have children attending BCS or would like to have children attend but cannot afford the full tuition, are encouraged to apply for tuition assistance. Please complete the application and return it to the church office TAC box as soon as possible. For information please contact Fred Vandergraff III or any member of the TAC Committee. Thank You.

PARENTS : NEED A NIGHT OUT? The Jr. High Youth are setting up your first "Night Out" on Friday, **March 5 from 6 -10:30 p.m.** in the FLC. You bring your children to church and the junior high students and adults will feed your child dinner, play games, do crafts, watch a movie and have a quiet area for those ready for sleep. You can enjoy a night out! There are sign up sheets in the FLC and the narthex. Any questions contact Barb Leunk @ 792-9388. Donations received will be used to help offset the costs of this summer's Spiritual Adventure Retreat to Tennessee.

SPRING INTO SERVICE - and get ready to attend the TAC Service Auction on Saturday, March 20. ALL are invited for a fabulous buffet dinner (\$10pp) with free childcare and dinner for kids 12 and under. Reserve a table for 8 with your friends and enjoy outbidding



each other on fabulous services offered by members of the congregation and area vendors. All proceeds will benefit Tuition Assistance. Tickets on sale March 1. Services are still needed - contact Susan Butts @ 750-0280.

MISSION NEED: Jim Bode will be traveling to the Dominican Republic in March to help Stephen Brauning network computers in CRC Christian Schools. Steve has asked for used laptops, network routers (wired or wireless) and power strips. If you have any that you'd like to donate, or have questions, please contact Jim at: 941.725.1686 or Jim@Bodeonline.org

MEN'S SOFTBALL has started. Check the calendar (on the back page) each week for the schedule.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS



GARAGE SALE: A garage sale will be held at Bradenton Christian School on Saturday, March 6 from 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m. It will include a car wash, and farmers' market. All proceeds go to the Junior Class. Thank you!

ROCKINGHAM MEN'S CHORUS will be performing at Kirkwood Presbyterian Church at 3 p.m.

SOLVE GALA: The SOLVE Maternity Homes Fund-Raising Gala, "Imagine the Possibilities," with speaker Pam Tebow, mother of star quarterback Tim Tebow, will be held on Saturday, March 13 at the Polo Grill Ballroom in Lakewood Ranch. Doors open at 6:15 p.m., dinner and program 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Attendance is by ticket only. Call the SOLVE office for RSVP information (748-0094).