

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

March 7, 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.

FAITH PROMISE: This morning Len Gabrielse will speak to us about his work in Nigeria.

GUEST PASTOR: This evening we are privileged to have Pastor Jonathan Jankovich lead us in worship. Jonathan teaches high school Bible at BCS.



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:

Classes will not meet today. Class will resume on Sunday, March 14.

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.



Women, these books are for you. Both received by donation, both focus on the friendships of women. *A Cup of Comfort for Women* by Colleen Sell is a collection of stories that celebrate the strength and grace of womanhood. The other one is *over salad & hot bread, What an old friend taught me about life*. The author is Mary Jenson who shares with her readers the unlikely friendship of "...what puts a classy young chick like you (Mary) with an adventurous old soul like me (Nancy Bayless, an award-winning author).

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

THANK YOU: Jack Le Jeune would like to thank the members of our congregation for their prayers, cards, and love expressed to his family during Harriet's illness and passing to glory.

THIS WEEK

LADIES TUESDAY AM BIBLE STUDY will meet this Tuesday at 10:00 am (no early coffee). We will be studying Lesson 9. Our Spring Luncheon will follow our lesson. If you haven't signed up and plan to attend, please call Donna Medema (752-1672) or Helen Den Besten (729-1172) today.

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 Use of Talents" from Matt. 25:31-36.



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.

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.

YOUTH

Combined Youth Group Tonight! All Jr High and Sr High students are invited. We will have a meal, games, and a lesson featuring skits based on the Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14-30). When? After the evening service (around 6:15) in the youth room. Come with your ideas and your props for the skits.


ANNOUNCEMENTS

CRC ANNUAL DAY OF PRAYER: BCRC will be combining the CRC prayer day with the National Day of Prayer which will be held in May. There will be no day of prayer in March.

HOUSING NEED: Host families are desperately needed for Calvin College's Capella Choir members for Saturday, March 20 - Tuesday morning March 23. A light breakfast and transportation to BCS or church are requested. For more details, check your "Gleanings" or call Millie Vandergraff, 755-4297, this week if you can help.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED: The deacons are looking for an individual to serve as coordinator between Manatee Religious Services and BCRC. A huge "thank you" to Gene Dykstra for her service over the past years. Please contact John Huizer (748-0850) for more information.

LIKE HOCKEY? The Dordt and Hope College club hockey teams have advanced to compete in their national tournament March 10-13 at Germain arena near Fort Myers. Check out fgcuicehockey.com/nationals for game schedules and more information.

 **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" by Sunday, March 22. Price: 6" (one plant) \$8.50 and 8" (two plants) \$16.50.

SR FELLOWSHIP: Join us for a special outing this week 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.

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.



TAC DINNER AND AUCTION: Saturday, March 20 @ 5:00pm. Come

for a delicious buffet dinner of chicken picata and stay for the auction (6:00). Dinner tickets are \$10 per person if purchased prior to March 15 (\$12 after). Free childcare and dinner for kids 12 and under. Individual tickets and reserved tables are available. Check the "Gleanings" or the gym for more information. Contact Susan Butts @ 750-0280 or sabutts@tampabay.rr.com with questions.

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

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

SIGNIFICANT LIVING (CHRISTIAN READER): The March/April issue of this inspirational magazine has arrived. This issue looks at meaningful ways to create and share living legacies. Pick up a copy to read and give to a neighbor. A donation of \$2.50 is requested.

THE BRADENTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL Gala fund-raising event will be held on March 19, 2010, at Wichers Auditorium on the BCS campus. Our guest speaker is Adrian Despres, a funny, inspirational, Kingdom building speaker. Come and celebrate the gift and blessings of Christian education. For sponsorship opportunities and tickets contact Heidi Sikkema at 941-792-5454 X 103 or hsikkema@bcspanthers.org.

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).



NEEDED: Care Net Manasota Pregnancy Center is in need of volunteers and will be holding a volunteer training, "Serving with Care & Integrity" on Monday, March 22 through Thursday, March 25 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Center. For information please call Care Net Manasota at 751-1966.