



South Grandville
Church
a Christian Reformed Ministry

Welcome to South Grandville Church!

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THE BULLETIN FOR
April 22, 2018

Worship Services
10:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Our Staff:

Pastor: Dr. Daniel B. Mouw
Pastor of Visitation: Rev. John Witvliet
Director of Children's Ministries: Kristina Netz
Director of Music & Worship: Mary Kortman
Youth Leader: Kristina Netz & Nicole Dornbos
Administrative Specialist: Mandy Ensing
Calvin Seminary Intern: David Scholman

*The Gathering of Christ's People
on the Lord's Day - April 22, 2018*

WORDS OF WELCOME

Today we begin another new week with worship. The Lord welcomes us into His presence, where we will be encouraged to grow in faith, in hope and in love as we follow our Lord Jesus Christ.

Let's open our hearts up wide so that we may grow in God's rich grace. If you're visiting with us today, we are delighted to welcome you here. Please stay for conversation and refreshments in Friendship Hall following morning worship.

TODAY'S WORSHIP AT SOUTH GRANDVILLE

During this morning's worship service lots will be cast to choose two deacons from three nominees: Gary Bradfield, Pete Retsema, and Jane Schut. Jack Kramer and Brian Reed have been chosen as elders. Three year terms of service will begin on June 1, 2018.

This morning, Calvin Seminarian Dave Scholman will be preaching. His message will be based on Matthew 3, titled "Good Fruit". We also this morning, have the privilege to worship with the group Tri-Faith. We warmly welcome them to South Grandville!

The morning offering will be for the General Fund, which supports the ministries of our church, classis and denomination based on pledges made by its members. The second offering will be taken for Baby Supply Pantry.

This evening, Pastor Dan will bring the message from his sermon series titled "Never in Vain". The second message this evening is on Isaiah 55: 10-13. The evening offerings for the month of April is taken for New City Kids.

NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP AT SOUTH GRANDVILLE

Next Sunday Morning, Pastor Dan will bring the second message from his sermon series "Living Faithfully on the Edge", from Revelation 3:14-30, titled "Jesus Knocking". The first morning offering will be for the general fund and the second offering will be for Benevolence.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER

NURSERY: *Nursery attendants should arrive by 9:40 AM.*

Today, a.m.: Sue VanderMarkt, Kelly Vogel, Emily Dertien

Next week, a.m.: Penny Whitaker, Cindy Alkema, Layla Bretching

GREETERS: **Today:** Gary & Kathy Bradfield

Next Sunday: Jim & Cindy Alkema

USHERS: *Please be sure to wear your name tag lanyard when ushering.*

Today: Jane Schut, NC Deacon, SC Deacon, S Deacon

Next Sunday: N Deacon, Ike Brinks, SC Deacon, S Deacon

MORNING COFFEE SERVERS: **Today:** Ben & Kristina Netz, Gave & Angie Neve,
Terry & Tres Nyenhuis

Next Sunday: Chuck & Eileen Overbeeke, Michel & Christine Padilla, Ed & Susan Peters

EVENING COFFEE SERVERS: **Today:** Terry & Tres Nyenhuis

Next Sunday: Ed & Susan Peters

EVENING VIDEO TECHNICIAN: **Today:** Roger Berg

Next Sunday: Steve Zuiderveen

Church Bus Driver Next Sunday: **Brian Reed**

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: *Children's Worship is for children in Pre-K through 2nd grade.*

The children leave the service at the time indicated in the order of worship and meet in room #8. Children's Worship is dismissed at the end of the service.

Today's schedule: Lesson: "The Road to Emmaus"; Leader: Bonnie Williams;
Helper, Dylan Stewart

Next week's schedule: Lesson: "Jesus Commissions the Disciples";
Leader: Nicole Dornbos; Helper: Angelisse Vogel

LITTLE LAMBS: *Little Lambs is for children ages 2-4. The children leave the service at the time indicated in the order of worship and meet in room #14, which is at the end of the south hallway downstairs. Children may be picked up at the end of the service.*

Today's schedule: Lesson: "Jesus is King"; Leader: Tina Blodgett; Helper: Emmie Stob

Next week's schedule: Lesson: "Jesus Goes to Heaven"; Leader: Christine Padilla;
Helper: Karen Hampton

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL

A re-organizational meeting of the 2018-2019 Council is scheduled for tomorrow evening, April 23, at 7:00pm. Incoming elders and deacons are requested to attend this meeting. Elders and deacons whose terms expire this year on May 31 need not attend this re-organizational meeting. Incoming elders and deacons will be excused after this meeting. The current elders and deacons will meet for their regular monthly meetings tomorrow at 7:30pm, and the current Council will meet in joint session at 8:30pm.

Our Director of Worship, Mary Kortman, plans to end her work here on Sunday, May 20, and the **Worship Committee is seeking someone to serve as an Interim Worship Coordinator to assist with worship service planning here at South Grandville CRC.** We envision for now a 5-10 hours per week position that would include planning worship services and scheduling worship leaders and musicians. [The Worship Committee is also discussing, in consultation with the Transition Team, future musical leadership in our congregation.] Anyone who is interested in this Worship Coordinator position is encouraged to contact Julie Ebels, Worship Committee Chairperson, or Pastor Dan.

CLASSES, CLUBS, COMMITTEES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church School Classes and Creator's Choir will resume after the morning worship service today.

Attention South Grandville Campers! Join us the 1st weekend of August (August 2-5) at the Dutch Treat Campground. We have eight spots reserved. Please call ASAP to reserve your spot (616-772-4303) reserved under South Grandville. We always have a great time with a potluck for everyone on Friday night, camper's breakfast Saturday morning and pizza that Saturday night. Any questions, please call Paulette Ackerson at 616-531-5205.

Update from the Pastor Search Committee: The team has met twice and has begun tackling the administrative tasks of the pastor search process. If you would like to know more about the process, or if you have any input you would like to give, please contact any member of the team. Members are Erin Breuker, Jim Hoekstra, Ben Netz, Gary Pipping, Diane Reed, Linda Schroeder, and Bonnie Williams

NEXT WEEK WORSHIP AT SOUTH GRANDVILLE

Next week Sunday, the Youth Group as well as GEMS and Cadets will lead us in worship, as we celebrate GEMS and Cadet Sunday, and the youth of South Grandville Church. The Rehoboth team will also present to the congregation a report and video of the ways that God is working in the lives of the people at Rehoboth Christian School in Rehoboth, New Mexico. (This is a rescheduled service from the cancelled service last week).

Next week Sunday Evening, Pastor Dan will bring the third message from his sermon series "Never In Vain" from the text John 15: 5-8. The April evening offerings are for New City Kids.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY: PRAYER NEEDS AND PRAISES

Please call the Prayer/Newsline 246-8860. To add or update the prayer line, please call Pastor Dan, Marc Faasse, or your household elder. To subscribe to the email version, visit our website. Encouragement Cards are in the pews for your use to encourage, express appreciation, or convey the fact that you are praying for a member of our church family.

- **Mrs. Judy Wolters** (5) underwent thyroid surgery last week Tuesday. Her surgery went well.
- **Mrs. Annette Vos** (2) was discharged from the hospital last Tuesday after being treated for congestive heart failure. She is back at Sunset but is now residing in Sunset Manor (Room #119, same phone number.)
- **Mrs. Sandy Sloterbeek** (1) was scheduled for an appointment last week where she expected to learn the next step in her treatment.
- **Pat and Jon Larry Hulsebus** appreciate our continued prayers for Pat's mom, Jessie Moerman, as she receives hospice care in Kalamazoo.
- **Mr. Chuck Overbeeke** (3) is scheduled to undergo hip replacement surgery tomorrow at the Spectrum Health Blodgett Campus.

Prayer Update: *Hi Friends, Thanks for praying for us! Jessica is continuing to receive good reports from our doctor and the baby is growing healthy and well. We are now 30 weeks along in the pregnancy and thankful that the Lord has continued to sustain Jess and the baby. Thank you for being a praying community and for caring us through your encouragement, prayers, and generosity. I was able to visit Jess and Hudson this past week and look forward to coming to Grand Rapids again in the second half of May for the remainder of the pregnancy. Thanks again! Cody*

A NOTES OF THANKS

“There is no way that I can adequately thank you for your prayers, cards and many expressions of concern. I really don’t know how long this will go on, but I do want you to know how much I love and appreciate all of you. Your Christian love means so much.”

- Ruth VanZanten

“Congregation - Thank you for all the birthday cards I received. I thank the Lord for the years He has given to me with many blessings each day.” - Wilma Vredevoogd

“Friends - Thank you all who came to help me celebrate my birthday on Saturday, March 31. It was great to see you, sorry there was not a lot of time to visit. - Wilma Vredevoogd

100TH BIRTHDAY!

Please note that next week Wednesday, May 2, Mrs. Jean Homan will be celebrating her 100th birthday. A birthday card or note on this occasion will be very much appreciated. Watch for the article in the upcoming newsletter to learn more about Jean’s life and experiences.

TAKE NOTE OF THE CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Herb and Elaine Marsman
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TRANSITION TEAM UPDATE

The Transition Team met on April 12. We spent the majority of our meeting discussing the current church committee structure and considering ways to more effectively use the time and talents of our church. It was suggested that we consider starting from a clean slate to design our structure and look for opportunities to simplify how ministry is done. It was felt that many committees are currently being used to receive reports from individuals and sub-committees. There is a real need for member involvement in serving the church, and sometimes this is best done within a group of likeminded individuals that could be formed into a team. We identified four primary areas of focus within the church such as:

- i) "Membership" - Serving the needs of our current members
- ii) "Community" - Reaching out to the unsaved community by serving others
- iii) Worship
- iv) Facilities and finance

The team is considering the following church structure beginning in the fall of 2018:

- i) Elders (Consistory)
- ii) Deacons
- iii) Steering Committee – consisting of 7-9 members to provide administrative oversight and strategic visioning for the ministries of SGCRC.

The team will come prepared to make a recommendation at the next meeting regarding structure. We will look at the various ministries currently being done within the church and how they might be impacted by a new structure. It will also be an opportunity to consider what we might want to stop, or continue, or start doing to move the church forward in spreading the Gospel.

The intent of the transition team is to complete our tasks by June 30, 2018. If issues or questions arise after that time, we would schedule an ad-hoc meeting. The remaining areas of discussion include Senior Pastor, Elder, and Deacon roles and responsibilities. Steve will present an update of this meeting to the congregation on April 22. The next team meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2018.