



South Grandville
Church
a Christian Reformed Ministry

Fourth Sunday
in
Lent

Welcome to South Grandville Church!

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THE BULLETIN FOR

March 11, 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 Cord's Day - March 11, 2018

WORDS OF WELCOME

Today is the fourth Sunday in the season of Lent. As we draw closer to Good Friday and Easter, let's make these Lenten days focused times of reflection on the gift of salvation through Jesus - His suffering, His dying and His rising. Worship Him today as your precious Lord and Savior.

We warmly welcome all of you who are visiting with us today. May you feel enfolded in the love of Christ. Everyone is invited to stay for conversation and refreshments in Friendship Hall following morning worship.

TODAY'S WORSHIP AT SOUTH GRANDVILLE

This morning, Pastor Dan will continue his series titled "The Cost"; *Lenten reflections on what it means to be disciple of a crucified Savior.* The fourth message comes from the text Hebrews 11:39-12:3, titled "You're Not the First".

This morning's 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 Christian Education.

This evening, our 5:30pm worship service will be observing our annual denominational Day of Prayer (which traditionally was scheduled on the 2nd Wednesday in March). To help you prepare for this time of prayer, the order of worship for this prayer service is included as an insert in today's bulletin. Let's look up to the Lord together in prayer and let's look up to the Lord together in prayer and lift up the needs and challenges we face as a church, as a nation, and in our world. The March evening offerings will be for World Renew-Disaster Response Services.

NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP AT SOUTH GRANDVILLE

Last week Sunday, Layla Brechting met with members of the consistory to profess her faith in Jesus Christ. Next week Sunday, we have the privilege to witness Layla's profession of faith and baptism. "To God be the glory! For great things He has done." Next week Sunday is the fifth Sunday in the season of Lent. Pastor Dan will continue the Lenten Series titled "The Cost"; *Lenten reflections on what it means to be disciple of a crucified Savior.* The fifth message comes from the text John 12:23-29. The morning offering will be for the General Fund and the second offering will be taken for the Rehoboth, Mexico mission trip that is planned during spring break.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER

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

Today, a.m.: Christine Padilla, Sue Pipping, Cali Stob

Next week, a.m.: Barb Schemper, Linda Schroeder, Collin Wilson

GREETERS: **Today:** Lori Vellenga, Phyllis Kortman

Next Sunday: Toby & Kathie Heberly

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

Today: Kyle Wilson, Roger Grit, Art Ackerson, Paulette Ackerson

Next Sunday: Jerry King, Burt Westveld, SC Deacon, S Deacon

MORNING COFFEE SERVERS: **Today:** Jim & Karen Hoekstra, Edie Heerspink, Linda Hoogerhyde, Don & Pat Homan

Next Sunday: Mark & Linda Hopkins, Ted & Annette Howerzyl, Jon Larry & Pat Hulsebus

EVENING COFFEE SERVERS: **Today:** Rob & Celeste Stob

Next Sunday: Al & Pat Vanden Bosch

EVENING VIDEO TECHNICIAN: **Today:** Steve Zuiderveen

Next Sunday: Brian Reed

Church Bus Driver Next Sunday: **Chad Vogel**

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: "Lent: The Poor Widows Gift"; Leader: Jane Schut;
Helper: Jax Vogel

Next week's schedule: Lesson: "Lent: Jesus Washes Disciples Feet"; Leader: Becky Wilson; 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: "The Good Shepherd"; Leader: Erin Breuker;
Helper: Emmie Stob

Next week's schedule: Lesson: "The Runaway Son"; Leader: Tracy Mann;
Helper: Emily Dertien

NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP AT SOUTH GRANDVILLE

Next week Sunday evening, Pastor Dan will continue his sermon series "You Raise Me Up" - Reflections on Romans 8. The final message will be split into two parts, next evening we will look at Romans 8:28-30. March evening offerings will be taken for World Renew/DRS.

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. Barb Oosterink** (4) returned home last week Sunday, following successful shoulder replacement surgery. She continues to recuperate at home.
- **Mrs. Sandy Sloterbeek** (1) met with her oncologist last Tuesday and the results of her latest CT scan were not encouraging. She is scheduled for a biopsy tomorrow, after which a decision will be made as to the next course of treatment.
- Please make note that **Maxine VandenBos** had moved from Sunset to Rose Garden. Her room number is #116.

A NOTE OF THANKS

"Thank you for the love felt from our church family during the home-going of our beautiful mother, Gladys Van Dyken. Thank you for all the prayers, cards, and visits. We are blessed to be part of a wonderful, and loving church family."

-Randy & Linda Veldhouse

CLASSES, CLUBS, COMMITTEES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Choir for Maundy Thursday and Easter will begin this morning, from 11:15am - 12:00pm. Please come directly after church so we can start right away and be done on time. We will rehearse today, March 18, and 25. This morning we will rehearse in the GEMS room in the basement. It would be great to add people to the group we had for Christmas so please consider joining us during this Lenten season!

The Administrative Committee will meet tomorrow evening, March 12, at 7:00pm.

VBS Volunteer Sign Ups

VBS will be June 11-13 from 6:30-8:00pm with the picnic on June 14. Please take a moment and sign up to help today! The sign-up sheets are posted on the board that is set up in the narthex. The hope is to have all the volunteer spots filled by March 18th. Questions? Call or email Kristina Netz.

Widows and Widowers - The Deacons invite you to a brunch! This Saturday, March 17, 2018 from 10:30am - 12:00pm, RSVP to the church office by this Tuesday, March 13. If you need a ride, let the office know with your RSVP.

The Worship Committee plans to meet this Tuesday, March 13 at 7:00pm.

What do you call a bunch of musicians and lovers of music making music together?

A JAM SESSION! I'm looking for people who love music and would like to get together to play, sing and talk all things music. It will be an open invite to our congregation and the community. All are welcome. Bring your own instruments, equipment, gear and voices.

Once we have enough interest I'll be getting some dates and times.

If you'd be interested in helping with the organization of this, or would like to come JAM with us, please contact me! Ben Netz at ben@simplefunction.biz or 616-690-8137.

The Men's Bible study will meet this week Wednesday, March 14, at 2:00pm. We will be studying then end of Lesson #5 along with Lesson #6 in 'Discover Ephesians'.

Wednesday Night Supper this Wednesday, March 14 at 6:00pm! Too tired from the day's work to cook? Come to South Grandville on Wednesday evening for a delicious meal and warm fellowship. GEMS will be hosting. **The Pinewood derby race will be following the supper, we hope you stay and cheer on the GEMS vs. Cadets**

The Transition team met on March 1. Kristina Netz provided some insights into how her position as Dir. of Youth Ministries functions within our congregation as well as the areas she is responsible for. It was suggested that a different reporting structure might be helpful in establishing a vision/direction that would allow for coordinating various aspects of church ministry. This would then allow us to reach more children and families with the gospel. We discussed some aspects of youth ministry that overlaps with outreach ministries.

Considerable time was spent 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 agreed that the team would come to the next meeting with a list of all the things that are done at church so that we can consider what might we stop, or continue, or start doing to move the church forward in spreading the Gospel.

The Transition Team proposes to the Administrative Committee that the following people be appointed to the Search Committee: Erin Breuker, Jim Hoekstra, Ben Netz, Gary Pipping, Diane Reed, Linda Schroeder, and Bonnie Williams. Erin Breuker will initiate the first meeting. *[Have been approved by the Administrative Committee in the March 5 meeting]*

The Transition Team is very grateful for all who expressed an interest in serving on the Search Committee. It should be noted that there will be additional opportunities to assist the committee in the search for our next pastor. These opportunities will be communicated as the needs arise.

The Senior Pastor Position Description was reviewed. The team will come to the next meeting prepared to discuss possible changes to the position as other church structure changes are considered that might impact the Senior Pastor role

Suggested topics of discussion for the Mar. 15 meeting were church structure, evaluate the list of activities within our church, and the Senior Pastor Position description. David will present an update of this meeting to the congregation on March 4. The next meetings are scheduled for Thursday Mar. 15 and Apr. 12, 2018