

### Offering Schedule

#### The mission boxes will be for CMI-Christian Ministry to Israel

04/08	1 <sup>st</sup>	General Fund	2 <sup>nd</sup>	NRCS
04/15	1 <sup>st</sup>	General Fund	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Synod Assessment
04/22	1 <sup>st</sup>	General Fund	2 <sup>nd</sup>	NRCS
04/29	1 <sup>st</sup>	General Fund	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Seminary Fund
05/03	1 <sup>st</sup>	General Fund	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Seminary Fund

### Nursery Schedule

#### Alternate

04/08	a.m.	Kayt Naves	Kacey Willekes	Meghan Lewis
	p.m.	Cathy DeJong	Brooke Willekes	Jessica Sullivan
04/15	a.m.	Nicolette Driesse	Jessica Diehl	Mady Nieuwenhuis
	p.m.	Catherine Lewis	Shifrah Laman	Carol Laman
04/22	a.m.	Wendy Rogers	Natalie Koeber	Bethany Lewis
	p.m.	Connie Prol	Olivia Nieuwenhuis	Beth Cooper

### Greeters

04/08	a.m.	Bill Devroe	p.m.	David Elshout
04/15	a.m.	Garry Koeber	p.m.	Paul Laman
04/22	a.m.	Phil Laman	p.m.	Jonathan Lewis
04/29	a.m.	Jeremy Naves	p.m.	Jake Nieuwenhuis
05/03	National Day of Prayer Service		p.m.	John Okken

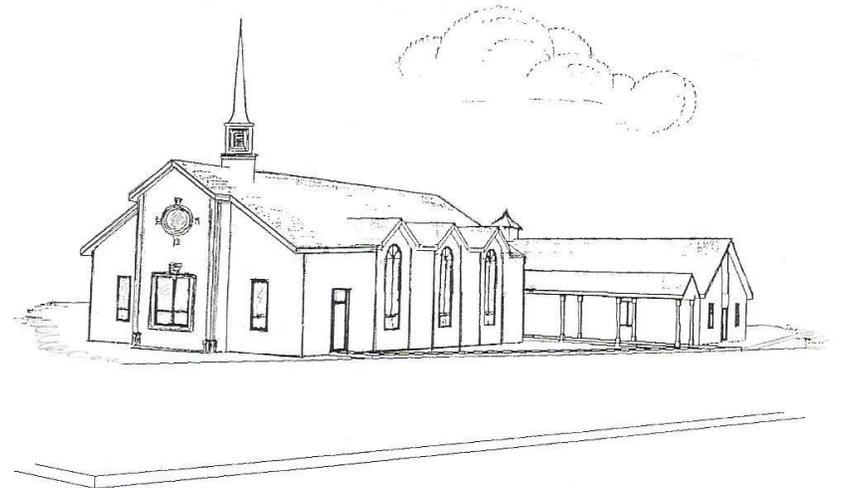
### Calendar of Activities, D.V.

04/08	Sun	YPS meet after the evening service
04/09	Mon	Consistory Meeting 8 p.m.
04/11	Wed	Women's Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
04/11	Wed	Prayer Meeting 8 p.m.
04/12	Thurs	Ladies Society Meeting 7:45 p.m.
04/15	Sun	Baptism
04/18	Wed	Canons of Dordt Study 8 p.m.
04/22	Sun	Atrium Ministry 2 p.m.- DPB, MVW, EVG
04/22	Sun	YPS meet after the evening service
04/25	Wed	Women's Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
04/25	Wed	Prayer Meeting 8 p.m.
05/03	Thurs	Market Street Mission 4:45 p.m.- GK
05/03	Thurs	<b>National Day of Prayer Service 7:45 p.m.</b>

Please visit [www.frcpp.org](http://www.frcpp.org) and look under the "Events" tab for additional important missions, denomination, and congregational news and activities. Services via the Web: You can search for our church on SermonAudio.com or the church's website.

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*"I was glad when they said unto me,  
Let us go into the house of the Lord."  
Psalm 122: 1*

Rev. Jerrold H. Lewis, Pastor  
**LORD's Day Worship**  
9:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

## The LORD's Day

April 8, 2018

### A.M.

Law of God

Scripture Reading: **Exodus 32**

Sermon: **"The Idolatry of Israel"**

### P.M.

Scripture Reading : **1 Corinthians 10**

Confession of Faith

Sermon: **"Moses' Baptism"**

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1 Corinthians 1:23

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*"Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you." Ezekiel 36:25*

Idolatry is a sin to which we are all prone. Everyone has idols of some kind. Here the Lord expresses His determination to cleanse us from them. This cleansing work is very painful work — but it is absolutely necessary. Idolatry defiles us, and unfits us for the service, presence, and glory of God. Idolatry is an insult offered to the Divine Majesty. All have their idols — some idolize their trade, some their children, some their bodies, some their appetites, some their books, some their property, some their peculiarities, some their office, some their gifts, some their partners, some their connections, and some their comforts.

But all are wrong, and we must expect that God will use means to cleanse them — for our God is a jealous God, and will not allow of a rival. The furnace of affliction, and the floods of trouble are generally employed for this purpose.

Now you are in affliction, inquire:

What idol have you been putting in the place of Christ?

Where have your affections been?

Has Jesus had all the heart? If not, it is no wonder He has put you into the furnace, or called you to pass through this affliction. Now let your prayer be, "Cleanse me from all my idols; cleanse me thoroughly, and make me clean."

Perhaps this very affliction is an answer to your prayers. You have prayed to be conformed to Jesus; to be sanctified by the Holy Spirit; and to have the promises fulfilled in your experience. Now the Lord comes to answer your

prayer, and to fulfill His promise. He comes with the rod in His hand, and says, "I will cleanse you from all your idols!"

The more idols — the more purging; no idols — no purging. Have you not procured this unto yourself? Remember your way when in health and prosperity; look back and see the folly you have indulged; the idolatry you have committed. Is not Jehovah just, faithful, yes, gracious, in thus dealing with you? He might have said, "Let him alone!" or have cast you out of His sight, and driven you to darkness, desperation, and despair. Better by far be cleansed from idols, however painful the process, in order to be glorified; than be left by the Lord to perish in your sin. Then let your language be,

The dearest idol I have known,  
Whatever that idol be,  
Help me to tear it from Your throne,  
And worship only Thee!

James Smith

### Announcements

Psalter memory work for Sunday School Classes **Grades 2-4** for next Lord's Day will be **Psalter 284 vs 1**. Parents, please review this work with your children.

The **Young People's Society** will meet this evening after the service.

The **Consistory** will meet Monday evening at 8 p.m.

The **Women's Bible Study** will meet on **Wednesday at 9:45 a.m.**

There will be **Prayer Meeting** on Wednesday at 8 p.m.

The **Ladies' Society** meeting will be held on Thursday at 7:45 p.m.

On the next Lord's Day, the sacrament of **Baptism** will be administered, D.V.

**\*\*Dear Congregation, The deacons thank you for your March NRCS gifts which totaled \$4,714. With three months left to meet this goal, we need to average \$7,000 a month to meet our commitment. We pray the Lord would bless you and your alms toward this cause.\*\*** Lord's blessings, The Deacons

### House Visitation Schedule

Week of April 9 <sup>th</sup>	Pete Sloomaker
Week of April 16 <sup>th</sup>	Karen Diehl
Week of April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Beverly Suyker
Week of April 30 <sup>th</sup>	Michael Driesse