

Offering Schedule

The mission boxes will be for COAH-Come Over and Help

05/20	1 st	General Fund	2 nd	Synod Assessment
05/27	1 st	General Fund	2 nd	NRCS
05/30		Benevolent Fund		
06/03	1 st	General Fund	2 nd	Pulpit Supply
06/10	1 st	General Fund	2 nd	NRCS

Nursery Schedule

Alternate

05/20	a.m.	Nicolette Driesse	Selah Rogers	Kayt Naves
	p.m.	Lori Nieuwenhuis	Kacey Willekes	Katy Prol
05/27	a.m.	Joanne VanWingerden	Brooke Willekes	Jessica Diehl
	p.m.	Cathy DeJong	Katelyn VanWingerden	Meghan Lewis
06/03	a.m.	Natalie Koeber	Bethany Lewis, Julia Elshout	Abby Cooper
	p.m.	Rebecca Laman	Amber Willekes	Olivia Nieuwenhuis

Greeters

05/20	a.m.	Don VanDeMoere	p.m.	Kevin Willekes
05/27	a.m.	Matt VanWyck	p.m.	Dan F. Bivona
05/30			p.m.	Dan P. Bivona
06/03	a.m.	Bill Devroe	p.m.	David Elshout
06/10	a.m.	Garry Koeber	p.m.	Paul Laman

Calendar of Activities, D.V.

05/18-5/21	Fri-Mon	YPS Annual Weekend
05/20	Sun	Pentecost
05/23	Wed	Women's Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
05/27	Sun	Preparatory Service
05/27	Sun	Atrium Ministry 2 p.m.- DJR, JDN, AC
05/27	Sun	YPS meet after the evening service
05/30	Wed	Mid-Week Preparatory Service 7:45 p.m.
06/03	Sun	Lord's Supper
06/03	Sun	Bethel Ranch 2:30 p.m.- PWL, PS
06/04-06/08	Mon-Fri	Synodical Meetings at HRC, Jordan, Ontario
06/06	Mon	Women's Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
06/07	Thurs	Market Street Mission 4:45 p.m.
06/12	Tues	Consistory Meeting 8 p.m.
06/13	Wed	Prayer Meeting 8 p.m.
06/16	Sat	Men's Prayer Breakfast-Fellowship Hall 7:30 a.m.

Please visit 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

May 20, 2018

A.M.

Law of God

Scripture Reading: **Luke 15: 1-10**

Sermon: **"Our Seeking Saviour"**

- I. The Need He Encounters II. The Effort He Expend**
III. The Joy He Experiences

P.M.

Scripture Reading: **Matthew 13: 44-46**

Confession of Faith

Sermon: **"The Surpassing Worth of Christ's Kingdom (Illustrated in the Parable of the Treasure Hidden in a Field and in the Parable of the Pearl of Great Price) "**

**This worth is communicated by : I. The Comparison that is Made
II. The Price That is Paid**

Pentecost-What Does It Mean?

What meaneth this?-**Acts 2:12.**

Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart.-**Acts 2:37**

On the day of Pentecost, while the followers of Christ met in the upper room, the Spirit of life was poured out, accompanied by visible and audible signs. The great multitude gathered in the temple at the hour of the morning sacrifice turned to the upper room and listened in amazement to the Galilean followers of Jesus declaring the great works of God.

Pentecost-what does it mean? It means an amazing change in the hearts and lives of the three thousand who were pricked in their hearts. To be pricked or to be pierced in the heart means to become spiritually acquainted with your sin and misery. How marvelous is this change. Enemies of Christ are changed into His friends! Once they crucified Christ in hatred. Now Christ by His Spirit pierces their heart in love and mercy. Today it is just as necessary as it was on the day of Pentecost that we as sinners experience that blessed grace of being pricked in the heart.

How did these three thousand come to the realization of their lost state before God? It was by Word and Spirit. The Word of God preached by Peter-the

Pentecost sermon-was applied by the Spirit's precious power. In his sermon, Peter emphasized the great contrast between God's treatment of Jesus and the Jews' treatment of Jesus. Their sins were powerfully set before them without compromise or hesitation. The One whom they should have received as their greatest blessing received ill treatment from them. "This same Jesus whom ye have crucified, God hath made him both Lord and Christ." Peter's message was honest, concrete, and cutting, and by the Spirit's grace it was brought home to so many of the hearers-three thousand of them.

By the faithful proclamation of the truth and the Holy Spirit's irresistible power, they were pricked in their hearts. They were overwhelmed with a sense of their sinfulness in the sight of God. A holy sorrow filled their hearts. "What must we do?" they cried with deep concern. Peter directs them to look to Christ for full and free pardon. They found healing in the One whom they had crucified, the Savior from sin.

Pentecost-what does it mean to you? Have you already been pricked in your heart? Do you know the grace of the Holy Spirit that wounds the heart and leads us to the only Comfort? Ask the Lord for a humbling knowledge of yourself, your sin, and His mercy in Christ. In this way alone do we become pricked in the heart, and then Christ will become precious to us in His redeeming love.

Taken from a meditation by Rev. G. Hamstra

Announcements

We extend a warm welcome to **Rev. Jack Schoeman** and to all of the **young people and visitors** that have joined us here this weekend for the **YPS Annual Meeting**. May your time here be enjoyable, but also be made a blessing for your souls. **Rev. Schoeman** will be conducting the services for us today. May the Lord bless His labors.

Psalter memory work for Sunday School Classes **Grades 2-4** for next Lord's Day will be **Psalter 386 vs 2**. Due to the YPS Weekend, there will be no Sunday School/ Catechism today. Parents, please review this work with your children.

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

As was noted on the calendar, **COD** was scheduled for this Wednesday. However, the Consistory has decided to **postpone** all further studies **until the fall**, D.V.

House Visitation Schedule

Week of: May 21st-Daryl Rogers June 4th-John Okken June 11th-Adamae Breeman