

### Offering Schedule

#### The mission boxes will be for Bonisa Mission in China

09/02	1 <sup>st</sup>	General Fund	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pulpit Supply
09/09	1 <sup>st</sup>	General Fund	2 <sup>nd</sup>	NRCS
09/12	Wed P.M.	Benevolent Fund		
09/16	1 <sup>st</sup>	General Fund	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Synod Assessment
09/23	1 <sup>st</sup>	General Fund	2 <sup>nd</sup>	NRCS

### Nursery Schedule

09/02	a.m.	Wendy Rogers	Natalie Koeber
	p.m.	Mary Rogers	Amber Willekes
09/09	a.m.	Michelle Elshout	Abby Cooper
	p.m.	Kayt Naves	Mady Nieuwenhuis
09/16	a.m.	Brooke Willekes	Sophia Prol, Ella Koeber
	p.m.	Carol Laman	Shifrah Laman

Alternate for September: Nicolette Driesse

### Greeters

09/02	a.m.	Jeremy Naves	p.m.	Ben Nieuwenhuis
09/09	a.m.	Jake Nieuwenhuis	p.m.	John Okken
09/12	Wed. P.M.	Jeff Prol		
09/16	a.m.	Paul Sullivan	p.m.	Daryl Rogers
09/23	a.m.	Duane Rogers	p.m.	John Touw

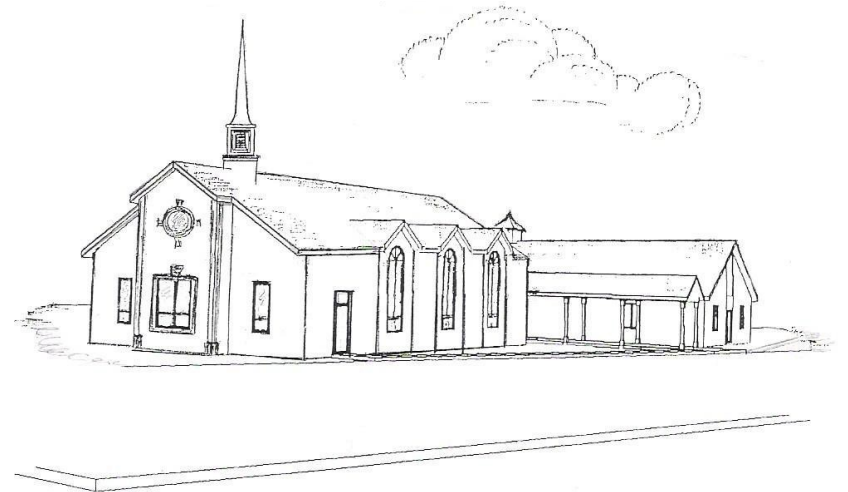
### Calendar of Activities, D.V.

09/02	Sun	Bethel Ranch	2:30 p.m.-	JT, JDN
09/05	Wed	Women's Bible Study	9:45 a.m.	
09/06	Thurs	Market Street Mission	4:45 p.m.-	DFB
09/09	Sun	Preparatory Service		
09/09	Sun	Sunday School/Catechism Classes Resume		
09/09	Sun	YPS meet after the evening service		
09/12	Wed	Mid-Week Preparatory Service	7:45 p.m.	
09/13	Thurs	Ladies Society Meeting	7:45 p.m.	
09/14	Fri	Good Shepherd Mission	7 p.m.-	DE, PAL/MVW
09/16	Sun	Lord's Supper		
09/18	Tues	Consistory Meeting	8 p.m.	
09/19	Wed	Women's Bible Study	9:45 a.m.	
09/22	Sat	Men's Prayer Breakfast-Fellowship Hall	7:30 a.m.	
09/23	Sun	Atrium Ministry	2 p.m.-	PWL, DWR, AC
09/23	Sun	YPS meet after the evening service		
09/26	Wed	Prayer Meeting	8 p.m.	

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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**  
September 2, 2018

**A.M.**

Law of God

Scripture Reading: **Numbers 32**

Sermon: **"Discouraging the Hearts of Others"**

**P.M.**

Scripture Reading: **Exodus 20**

Confession of Faith

Sermon: **"The First Commandment, Natural & Spiritual"**

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**"But we preach Christ crucified..."**

1 Corinthians 1:23

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*"He that hath My commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me." John 14:15-24.*

This is easier to read than obey. The question comes to mind, "How can I keep them?" Once someone sent my mother a bulb which required a certain kind of soil. The nice thing was he also sent her the soil. With the bulb and the soil was a little piece of paper, with instructions, "Put the bulb in the soil." He sent the bulb (the promised flower), but he also sent the power (soil). And when we are told here to keep the commandments, it sometimes feels like we have the bulb, but not the soil. The command, but not the power to keep it. Is that what the Lord does to His people? No. In fact if we read on, He helps us...

*"He that abideth in Me . . . the same bringeth forth much fruit." That is the power we seek, the soil of all obedience. The power of keeping of His commandments, the Lord Himself provides. I am not called upon to raise fruit out of the soil of my own power, out of my own will, or strength. It's*

impossible to do! But I can rest all in Christ! If "*abide in Him*," and every *holy effort* relies dependent on the Spirit, Who produces the fruits of a holy and obedient life. The Lord Jesus provides both the bulb and the soil.

It is a real tragedy when we forget this, and seek to make soil-beds of our own. And so often do we suffer a harvest of fruitless labor, and the heavy load of tasks beyond our strength. "*Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.*" He is the source of all: our soil, stem, flower and fruit.

Your servant in Christ,  
Pastor

### Announcements

Members of the **Evangelism Committee** will visit **Bethel Ranch** this afternoon and **Market Street Mission** on Thursday.. May the Lord bless these efforts to those in need.

Ladies, please join us as the **Women's Bible Study** begins its study of 2 Samuel **this Wednesday**, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 a.m. (Childcare is provided.)

On Sunday, **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, the **YPS** plans to have their first meeting after the evening service. All young people who are entering the 9<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to attend. This year we will be studying the book, ***Praying Always***, by **Frans Bakker**.

### House Visitation Schedule

Week of September 17 <sup>th</sup>	John Brennan
Week of September 24 <sup>th</sup>	Lisa Giannone
Week of October 1 <sup>st</sup>	Donald VanDeMoere, Jr.
Week of October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Ruth Boer
	Cathy DeJong
	Kim Rullo

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