

September 5, 2010

Greeters

	<u>West Door</u>	<u>East Door</u>
Today:	Stuart & Shirley Oines	Jamie & Brigitte Pap
Next Sunday:	Jared & Tara Pap	Jonathan & Darci Pap

Ushers

September: Jamie Pap, Brian Fick, Travis Van Santen

Accompanist

Today: Darlene Dreessen
Next Sunday: Arla Feikema

Sound System

Today: Eric Kiers
Next Sunday: Cody Top

Infant Nursery

Today: A.M. – Jonathan & Darci Pap, Jessa Nibbelink
P.M. - Sue Henstra, Silas Top
Next Sunday: A.M. – Shellie Eisma, Ryan Stroeh, Kade Fey
P.M. – Elizabeth DeWitt, Colby Den Herder

Toddler Nursery

Today: A.M. – Marilyn Van Santen, Kelsi Van Santen
Next Sunday: A.M. – Tara & Jared Pap

Children's Worship

Next Sunday: Teacher – Nicole Fey Helpers – Hunter Dilly, Haley Pap

Library

Today: Closed
Next Sunday: Closed

Song Service

Today: Jim Nibbelink
Next Sunday: Steve Mouw

Offerings

Today: A.M. - World Missions; Local & Denominational Ministry Shares
P.M. - Library
Next Sunday: A.M. - V.I.M.; Local & Denominational Ministry Shares
P.M. - Youth Unlimited

Letters to Our Missionaries

International Immigrant Ministries: Tim VanBruggen, Cody Top
Michelson: J.T. Top, Bud Ackerman
Margaret Njuguna: Steve Mouw, Jo Ackerman
Julie Schaap: Fred Mulder, Barry Bork

Highway 75 Wayside Chapel Cleaning and Mowing

Sept. 6-19:

Calling Team

September: Elders – Jim Nibbelink, Alan Stroeh; Deacon – Cody Top

This Week's Events

We extend a warm welcome to all who have joined us for worship today!

- Today:** 9:30 a.m. **Morning Worship Service**
6:30 p.m. **Evening Worship Service**
- Monday:** 7:00-10:00 a.m. **Pancake Breakfast at SWCH**
7:30 -10:30 a.m. **Pancake Breakfast at Hills Christian School**
- Tuesday:** 7:30 p.m. **Council Meeting**
7:30 p.m. **SWCH School Board Meeting**
- Wednesday:** 8:45 a.m. **Cars leave parking lot for Thrift Store in Worthington**
Family Visiting - 7:00 pm. Tim Van Bruggen, Case Feikema
7:45 p.m. Gerald Davelaar, Andy Steensma, 8:30 Jason & Priscilla Spykerboer, Pastor Brouwer
8:00 p.m. **Sunday evening service broadcast on Knology Cable Channel 3.**
- Thursday:** **Family Visiting - 7:00 pm. Darla Faber, 8:30 Darwin Timmer**
7:30 p.m. **ECES School Board Meeting**

Church Family

We wish a Happy Birthday to **Nick Zwaan** as he celebrates his 96th birthday on September 10th.



Words of Thanks

We want to thank the congregation for their support at the passing of our mother and grandmother. She is in a better place and yet there is an empty spot with us here. We also would like to thank Pastor Sparks and our church family for their support in the past months as mom's health was failing. Sincerely, Yours in Christ, **The Family of Jo Pap**

Coming Events

- ⊙ **Come out for the GREAT LABOR DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST, September 6th at SWCH Cafeteria.** Circle #2 will be serving pancakes, sausages, juice, coffee, and milk from 7:00 – 10:00 a.m. all you can eat. Freewill offering.
- ⊙ **Pancakes on Labor Day has become a tasty tradition at Hills Christian School. Join us from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Sept. 6** to find out why! We're serving milk, juice, sausages & (of course) pancakes at the school gym. Free-will donations will be accepted. Afterward, stick around for the first-ever **Hills Christian Kickball Tournament**, slated for 11 a.m. at the softball field in Hills. Teams should have 10 people age 14 or older and must include at least four girls. Registration will be \$50 per team, & concessions will be available. Contact Nathan Bakker at 962-3663 or by e-mail at bakkerbunch@alliancecom.net for more info or to register.
- ⊙ **Next Sunday, September 12, we plan to observe Mission Emphasis Sunday.** We hope you will spend the day with us as follows: 9:30 AM – Morning Worship led by Rev. John Rozeboom, emeritus director of CRC Home Missions; 11:30 AM – Meal in the Fellowship Hall; 12:30 PM – presentation on the Luke Society by Dr. Greg Kuiper; and 1:30 PM – afternoon worship led by Rev. Rozeboom.
- ⊙ **Children's Worship will begin next Sunday, September 12th.**

- ⊙ **Southwest MN Christian High School will be hosting Don and Fran Van Polen** as they present their travelogue *“Backroads and Byways of America”* in the school gymnasium on Wednesday, September 15 starting at 7:30 p.m. This photographic journey begins in the tulip fields of Washington State and ends in Boston. Visit scenic and historic places during this entertaining evening that will include amazing stories with an invitation for the audience to join in singing some of America's heart warming music. The cost of admission is \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for students.

Announcements

- **At its meeting this Tuesday evening, Council will begin the process of making nominations** for the selection of new elders and deacons. Members of the congregation are invited to give suggestions to any present Council member.
- **The Library Inventory is complete.** There are a few tables of books in the fellowship hall that we are discarding. These books are books that are not read as often anymore or are getting older. **They are available to you for a donation. The donations will be given to the Nibelink Education Fund that has been set up for Shelly and the girls.** Please put your donation in the box on the table by books.
- **Our Church is GROWING!** Our congregation has been very blessed with new members – lots of little ones! **The nursery has become increasingly over-crowded, and thus we have decided to break it into two separate nurseries for morning services. Newborns to 18 months will remain in the current nursery. Effective in September, the Toddler Nursery (eighteen months to 3-year-olds) will be in the room on the east side of the narthex.** The addition of a second nursery will also require additional staff. Families that utilize the nursery will now be added as a couple. **Any additional volunteers are welcome and greatly appreciated!** Please contact Michele Van Dyke if you are willing to assist in this way. (michele@iw.net or 283-9273)
- **The week of September 6 there will only be local Trip because National will be closed because of Labor Day.**
- **How much do you know about SWC Circles?** Do you know what fundraisers the Circles have? Do you know what role Circles play at SWC? **To find our more information attend the Annual Circle Meeting to be held on September 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the Music Room.** New mothers to Circle are encouraged to attend to find out what takes place. The goal of the Circles is to give moral and financial support to SWC. We would like to encourage all members to attend this meeting. It is our prayer that you become involved in the work of Circles that you will find joy and new friendships but most of all a heart of service toward promoting SWMCH.
- **High School Students: It's Time to Speak for Those Who Can't!** High school juniors and seniors are invited to participate in a pro-life speaking contest sponsored by the Southwest Minnesota Chapter of Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life (MCCL). Students present a 5 to 7 minute pro-life speech on abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, or embryonic stem cell research at the Woodstock American Reformed Church on Monday, **Oct. 11**. The top two participants will win \$50 each, and the first-place winner can compete in the MCCL State Contest on April 11 in St. Paul -- the winner of which will go on to compete for a \$1,000 scholarship. For more information, contact Rev. Doug Barnes at hillsurc@alliancecom.net or by calling 507-962-3254. Now is the time to learn how to speak on behalf of the weak -- Prov. 31:8-9! **If you don't speak ... who will?**

Announcements Cont.

- **Dordt College** is hosting a monthly guest speaker series, beginning with Dr. Michael D. Williams, Professor of Systematic Theology at Covenant Theological Seminary. He will speak Monday, Sept. 6, at 11 a.m. in the B.J. Haan Auditorium on the topic, "The Mission of God." Williams contends the mission of God is the key to Christian identity, the purpose of the church, and provides the glasses through which we are to read God's Word. Dr. Williams will also present an evening lecture at 7:30 p.m. in the Science and Technology Building Lecture Hall S101. His evening topic is, "Called to Mission," with a challenge for Christians to be active agents in God's redemptive purposes for his world. The public is welcome to attend.
- **Psalms and hymns will be featured in the first show of KDCR Radio's 2010-2011 travelogue season, Friday, Sept. 10, at 7:30 p.m.** With American landscapes, Psalms, and hymns, Don and Fran Van Polen have created an inspirational show that includes audience participation in the singing of hymns. Tickets can be purchased at the door: the cost is \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for students, and free for pre-schoolers. This travelogue is not included in the season pass: season tickets will be available for purchase that evening.
- **Auditions for the Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra will be held Friday and Saturday, Sept. 10-11,** in the music building connected to the B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt College in Sioux Center. To schedule an audition contact Missy Mulder at 712-722-6230 or niso@dordt.edu
- **PARTNERS IN FIGHTING CRIME** Dr. David Schuringa interviews the president of Prison Fellowship, Mr. Mark Earley. They discuss the long-term partnership of CBI and the ministry started by Chuck Colson. Go to www.cbi.fm to listen to *Crossroad Connection*—a restorative justice ministry of Crossroad Bible Institute.
- **World Missions – School Bells -** With pencils sharpened and in hand, students and teachers overseas have begun another school year. Like teachers in Christian school classrooms here, CRWM missionary teachers have a unique opportunity to present the Gospel in their classrooms. As you pray for education programs here, pray for missionary teachers working around the world.
- **PRAYER REQUEST -** Back to God Ministries International: Pastors in Africa need and desire theological training to help them carry out discipleship work. Praise God that Rev. Paul Mpindi was able to provide training for approximately 8,000 pastors in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Pray that God will multiply these efforts as these pastors provide spiritual leadership for members of their churches and communities.
- **GROUNDWORK -** Free From the Curse: In Galatians we're reminded that faith in Christ makes us right with God, but what good is following the God' law if it doesn't do anything to save us from our sinful nature? Tune in to the September 12th Groundwork - find a local radio station or listen online at www.GroundworkOnline.com.
- **KIDS CORNER -** Goopy Goop Soup: Liz's neighbor is being really mean to him. What should he do? Help Liz figure out how to handle his nasty neighbor on this week's Kids Corner. Then write to Kids Corner at Box 506, Worth IL 60482 or kids@kidscorner.net for your very own Bible study.