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LIFE AT CENTRAL

March 27, 2011

IN OUR PRAYERS:

- **Jeremy Ernst** had out-patient surgery this past Wednesday.
- **Charlotte Geelhoed** has returned home after being hospitalized for bacterial pneumonia.
- **Gavin Hollemans**, son-in-law of **Mark & Sally Bulthuis**, has been released from the hospital and is recuperating at home.

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY to Andy & Jan Atwood in the death of Jan's sister, Susan, who died on March 10 following a brief battle with breast cancer. Expressions of sympathy can be sent to 950 Elmdale NE, GR MI 49525.

EASTER FLOWER SALE: TODAY is the *last opportunity* you will have to purchase Easter flowers in memory or in honor of someone. These will grace our sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Cost is \$8 per plant to benefit the Liturgical Decorations Committee.

ADULT EDUCATION TODAY AT 11:00 AM
Rev. Scott Hoezee, Teacher-In-Residence, Chapel
*Science & Theology: Evolution, Intelligent Design,
& Other Contemporary Issues.*

NO ADULT EDUCATION NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 3.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: All are welcome to join the Wednesday morning Bible Study group from 9:30-11:00 AM, or Wednesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:00 PM with Rev. Scott Hoezee on the Reformed Standards of Unity. This Wednesday we will be discussing the newly approved **Belhar Confession**. Scott will be teaching about the history and significance of this documents, and why it is still important for Christians of today. This class is repeated in the evening so that everyone might be able to participate. We hope to see you this week while Scott is with us as our 2011 Teacher In Residence.

CHURCH DIRECTORY COMING SOON: Please notify the office (456-1773) or email Marti at mbeebe@crcgr.org if you have any changes in your address, phone numbers, or email address.

STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE CARDS: Creating an annual church budget is no small challenge, but it is made so much easier when people fill out a pledge card. Your pledge card is not a contract, merely a good-faith estimate of what you think will be the level of your financial support over the next 12 months. Your pledge card is in your mailbox in the Atrium. Please prayerfully fill it out and place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church at your earliest convenience. Thank you.



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ADDIE’S KIDS BOOKS: The calendar says spring is here! As you spring clean or check out the new season of garage sales or sales in stores would you please keep in mind our continuing need for infant books, board books, and picture books for very young children. Our need for these books is immediate and great. Thank you for your continued support.

SENIORS EVENT: Mark your calendars for **Tuesday, April 12 at 11:30 AM.** We will have a Soup Luncheon followed by *The Old Kids Choir*, a group of trained singers who will present a concert of secular and sacred Lenten music for our enjoyment. Please sign up in the Atrium today or call the church office. A \$5.00 contribution will be taken to defray the costs.

LENTEN OPPORTUNITY: Sue Poll and Linda Ballast invite you to join them for Contemplative Prayer (Lectio Divina) during Lent. They will meet you at the Dominican Center at noon on Wednesdays. The sessions are 30 minutes long, and include guided Scripture Reading and meditation. Please contact Sue at 866-2280, SuePoll@gmail.com, or Linda at 975-4448, LindaBallast@comcast.net.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE: A portion of the purchase price goes back to those who grow and harvest the coffee. If you would like to be a sponsor sign up in the Atrium or with Coleen Hamman. This week’s coffee sponsors are **Paul & Carole Van’t Hof**.

PEANUT FREE ZONE: An increasing number of Americans are developing allergies to peanuts. Allergic reactions to peanuts can be devastatingly serious. Central strives to be a Peanut Free Zone, and we ask you to be mindful of that when bringing foods to church. Thank you for your help.

WORDS OF HOPE: The devotional booklet for April through June is available in the narthex. The church purchases Words of Hope booklets and makes them available at no cost to our members and friends. Daily Scripture reading and prayer is one of the ways we grow in our faith. The writer for the April devotions, by the way, is Dr. Lotz.

THANK YOU NOTES:

- I thank all of you for your cards, visits, calls, and your prayers. I know that I have healed without complications because of your faithful prayers. You are all truly the hands and feet of Christ. Gratefully, **Jane Dykstra**
- We were very comforted by the many cards, prayers and expressions of sympathy following the passing of my father. Your kindness is greatly appreciated during this sad time.

Steve & Becky Van Zytveld

FINANCIAL REPORT	
<u>Weekly Budget Requirements</u>	<u>Last Sunday Contributions</u>
\$13,235	\$9,002
<u>YTD Budget Requirements</u>	<u>Actual Contributions Received</u>
\$501,369.70	\$478,508.13

KidZ Central Schedule

- **TODAY: Joyful Noise 10:45—11:10 AM**—Palm Sunday songs and drama rehearsal.
KidZ Central 11:00—Noon—*Third Sunday of Lent*
- **Saturday, April 2-16** from Noonô 1:00 PM—Beginning Dance with Miss Heather at the stage.
- **Saturday, April 16** from 1:00ô 3:00 PM Dress Rehearsal for Palm Sunday.

AUDITIONS the 1st week of April. ð*What's the Matter With KidZ?*” performance date Sunday, June 12 and dinner theater ð*Our Town*” Saturday, June 25. Rehearsals in MAY. Parts are available for all age groups.

KIDZ STUFF SALE: June 17-18. Please save any used clothing, toys, games, or furniture for the sale. Proceeds will go to VBS proگرامing. Contact CMT member, Sue Ellen Vander Zee at 308-1747 if you have KidZ items to donate.

FAMILY CAMP AT CRAN HILL: June 26—July 3. Reservations need to be finalized for this #1 KidZ and family summer event. There are camp spaces available for the week or portion of a week. Mrs. Timmer will be on hand to assist with KidZ activities and coordinating group evening meals. Don't miss this opportunity for family fellowship and outdoor fun.

WORSHIP CENTER LEADERS & GREETERS are needed for the 2011-2012 Calendar Year for Kindergarden through 4th grade. Training will be offered. If you are interested in the Children In Worship program, please contact **Marybeth Timmer, Gretchen Munroe, or Carol Austin.**

KIDZ ARTWORK from 2010/2011 school year on display in the Atriumô May 8ô 15.

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Y^outh Newz

- SH Breakfast Club is at **Cracker Barrel this Wednesday** from 6:30 till school.
- No Clubs on April 3 or 10, no Breakfast Club on April 6...see yall after break!!!
- **I NEED DEPOSITS FOR CHICAGO IMMEDIATELY!** Cost is \$300/student and anyone from whom I have not received payment BEFORE SPRING BREAK (unless agreed upon otherwise) will no longer be guaranteed a spot on this trip. If you have questions or need to ask for an extension, talk to todd! I love you all, but let's get 'er done!
- Next youth Addie's Diner is **Tuesday, April 5.** The team for the night is: *Aaron, Duncan, Elise T, Anne E, Orna, David J and Caroline.* Plan to serve from 5:45-7:15pm. THIS IS DURING SPRING BREAK, but we're still needed, so please make sure to find a sub if you're leaving town!!!
- Next **JH Breakfast Club** will happen on *THIS Thursday, March 31* at 6:30am at Wolfangs...since break starts Friday in EGR. I hope you can make it!
- Upcoming meal providers: **3/27 – Jigo/Annie Hooker, 4/3 and 4/10 – No Clubs, 4/17 – Taylor???**



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ACTIVITIES

Acolytes
Banner Bearer
Bible Bearer
Crucifer
Visitor Hosts
KidZ Welcome Center
Bedingfield Library
Ushers
Sound
Security
Infant Nursery
2s/3s Nursery

TODAY

Lance Aidif, Keagan Haulenbeek
Kassidy Clark
Jacob Ohlmann
Anne Elzinga
Sue Poll, Greg Young
Sue Ellen Vander Zee
Annie De Boer
Rick Davis, Greg Verseput
Stu Stewart
David Hooker
Becky & Mark De Vries
Ellen Bylsma

APRIL 3

Lance Aidif, Keagan Haulenbeek
Duncan MacLean
Chinyere Jigo
Callie MacLean
Ken & Mary Bauman
Lunderberg
(No Education Hour)
John Fanthorpe, Tim Hoezee
Tom Smith
Steve Kuiper
Joy Eckstein
Jan Koopman, Brian Whalen,
Anna Wormmeester

CALENDAR

SUNDAY 3/27	9:30 AM	Worship Service—Rev. Scott Hoezee
	10:45 AM	Joyful Noise/KidZ Central
	11:00AM	Education Hour
	11:00 AM	Klokkenkoor
TUESDAY 3/28	12:00 N	Addie's Pantry
WEDNESDAY 3/29	10:00 AM	Staff Meeting
	10:00 AM	Wednesday Bible Study
	6:15 PM	Celebration Ringers
	7:00 PM	Wednesday Evening Bible Study
THURSDAY 3/30	12:00 N	Addie's Pantry
	7:15 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
SATURDAY 4/2	11:30 AM	KidZ <i>You Can Do It</i> —Session 2
SUNDAY 4/3	9:30 AM	Worship Service— Dr. Louis Lotz
	10:45AM	Joyful Noise/KidZ Central
	11:00 AM	Klokkenkoor

CARE CONCERNS: Please contact Carol Bergman at clstaff@iserv.net or 975-5741 after hours or on the weekend. During office hours contact the office at 456-1773 or you may email mbeebe@crcgr.org. Church office hours are Tuesday through Friday from 9:00 AM— 5:00 PM.