# March 11, 2018 The Fourth Sunday in Lent

### Gathering

\*Gathering Song: "You Are Holy (Prince of Peace)"

\*Welcome and Call to Worship

\*God's Greeting

\*Passing the Peace

\*Lenten Hymn – "Ten Thousand Reasons"

**Depending on God** 

Call and Prayer to Confession "Don't Be Afraid" Assurance of Pardon

**Thanking God For His Grace** 

\*Song of Gratitude: "When Peace Like a River" Congregational Prayer

Offerings

The General Fund

Special Envelope offering for True North Community Services

Offertory Solo: "This I Believe"

Children's Blessing

**Receiving God's Word** 

\*Song of Preparation: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Scripture Lesson: Ephesians 4:25-32 page 1135

Proverbs 30:33 page 645

Message: "March Madness"

Prayer

**Departing as Witnesses** 

\*Song of Response: "In Christ Alone"

\*Blessing from God

\*Parting Hymn: "We Receive Your Blessing"

\*Postlude \*Stand if able

> Piano: Karen Admiraal Violin: Annelise Folkema Vocalists: Jessica Folkema, Carly Smith, Lizzie Van Wyk, Kate Volz Liturgist: Zach Van Wyk Soloist: Kate Volz Preacher: Pastor Nate Kooistra

### **SECOND CHURCH NEWS**

WORSHIP TODAY, the Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 11: For the season of Lent the cross has been draped with a purple cloth representing both Christ's royalty and our repentance. We welcome Rev. Nate Kooistra from the Reeman CRC to preach for us from Ephesians 4:25-32 and Proverbs 30:33, "March Madness." Our offerings are for the General Fund and TrueNorth Community Services.

**Our Banner and Pulpit Parament:** Lent's darker colors represent our call to reflection and penitence, and yet even our times of deepest sorrow for sin are covered by the grace of Christ's sacrifice on our behalf, represented by the lines of the cross which cover the banner.

WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, the Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 18: We will celebrate the sacrament of baptism with Silas Andrew DeLonge and Pastor MacLeod will preach from John 19:38-42, "He Was Buried." Our offerings will be a Noisy Coin offering for the Foods Resource Bank, for the General Fund and for the Christian Education Fund.

SPECIAL ENVELOPE OFFERING: March 25 - Community Closet Charity, April 1 - GEMS

**LAKESIDE SEVERANCE:** On behalf of the disbanded Lakeside congregation, Second Church has taken on the responsibility of administering a severance package for Rev. de Jong which Lakeside, our Council, and Classis Muskegon have all approved. Contributions towards this fund are most welcome. Please make checks payable to Second CRC with a note that it is for "Lakeside severance."

**WEDNESDAY: THE MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY** scheduled for March 14 at 2:00 pm is postponed until March 21. Lesson plans are available on the literature ledge.

THE ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM will meet on Wednesday evening, March 14, at 7 PM.

MEN'S LENTEN BREAKFAST: Friday. March 16, the fifth weekly Lenten breakfast will be held from 7:00 - 7:45 am at First Reformed Church, 348 East Main.

**EASTER PLANT SALE:** Please check your church mail box for the FYSH Easter Plant Sale order forms! The Easter lilies, hyacinths, and tulips which you order can be used either as decoration in the church or may be taken home on Good Friday (March 30). The money and order forms must be in by March 18 for guaranteed pick up on March 30, but late orders will be accepted. Proceeds will go towards student mission trip accounts. Any questions? Contact Zach by calling or emailing the church office.

**STOCK THE PANTRY!** During March, the deacons will be collecting peanut butter and jelly for the True North Food Pantry

# **FYSH**

- Sunday March 11, 7:13 PM FYSH Bible Study
- Sunday, March 18, 7:13 PM FYSH Game Night

# Young Life

- Mon., March 12, 7:56 PM Campaigners at Van Wyks'
- Wed., March 14, 7:56 PM Club @ Fremont Rec Center
- Mon., March 19, 7:56 PM Campaigners at Van Wyks'

## **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

- > Please continue to pray for healing for **Jim Deur**.
- Our deepest sympathies go out to Harold and Win Kolk in the passing of Harold's son, Mark Kolk, on Monday, March 5. His funeral was held yesterday in Grand Rapids.
- Please pray for Will and Jan Ruthven with Appalachia Reach Out in Inez Kentucky.

### SECOND CHURCH CALENDAR

**Today** 9:30 AM Morning Worship Service 10-10:45 Children's Worship for ages 3-young 5 KidsOwn Jr for grades K-1, KidsOwn for grades 2-4 10-10:45 Children's Choir 10:45-11:30 Sunday School grades 5-12 10:45-11:30 7:13 PM **FYSH Bible Study** Monday 7:56 PM Young Life Campaigners @ the Van Wyks' **Tuesday** 9:30 AM Coffee Break Wednesday **GEMS** 6:30 7:00 Administrative Team meeting 7:00 B.A.S.I.C 7:56 Young Life Club @ the Fremont Rec Center Thursday 8:30 AM 55+ Breakfast at Side Street Cafe **Friday** 

### 7:00 AM Men's Lenten Breakfast @ First Reformed Church

- AVAILABLE ON THE LITERATURE LEDGE

  March 7 2<sup>nd</sup>'s Matters
- Today Devotional for March/April

### **SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS**

<u>Ushers</u> (Call Bob Hayward if you cannot find your own substitute) Today: Ryan Boven, Stan Deur, Jon Volz, Todd Visser

Next Week: Dan Ward, Randy Pell, Ryan Buchanan, Tom Stepanek

**Nursery Attendants** 

(Call Zach Van Wyk if you cannot find your own substitute)

Today: Infant: Sally Mellema, Ashlyn Volz

Toddler: Carol DeWeerd, Ellie Folkema, Elynn Kartes

Next Week: Infant: Kate Volz, Liz Donkersloot

Toddler: Lizzie Van Wyk, Luke Folkema, Josie Visser

**Greeters** 

Today: Tom and Meghan Stepanek

Next Week: Stan and Lisa Deur

Medical Care Facility Visitors Service begins at 2 PM

Today: Reeman
Next Week: Trinity
Drivers for Deerfield Residents

Today: Stan DeKuiper
Next Week: Stan DeKuiper
Sound and Video Operators

Today: Jon Mellema, Jonathan Mellema Next Week: Jason DeKuiper, Bob Barnhart

Children's Worship

Today: Gail Wagenmaker, helper Kyler DeKuiper

Next Week: Karen Admiraal, Ben DeWeerd

Kids Own, Jr.

Today: Joni Boeskool Next Week: Mary Folkema

Kids Own

Today: Sara Krohn Next Week: Melinda Barnhart

**Cookies** (6 dozen each to be at church by 9:15 am)

Today: Melissa Miller, Ruth Wyn
Next Week: Gail Wagenmaker, Valerie Volz

**Noisy Coin Collection** 

Next Week: Brevin Powell, Carter Cook, Grace Cook, Ava Krohn,

Emily Krohn, Ricky Tank