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## Holy Week Schedule

- Tonight, April 6, 2023, at 5:30 PM Maundy Thursday All-Church dinner of soup and salad followed by a worship service in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 PM./ *Jueves Santo Cena de toda la iglesia seguida de un servicio de adoración en el gimnasio a las 6:30 PM.*
- April 7, 2023, at 12:10 PM Good Friday Ecumenical Worship service in the sanctuary. *Viernes Santo Servicio de adoración unido en el santuario.*
- April 9, 2023, at 7:00 AM Easter Sunrise service beginning outside (weather permitting)./ Servicio Matutino de ressurrectión Comenzar afuera (si el clima lo permite).
- April 9, 2023, at 10:00 AM Bilingual Easter Sunday Worship in the sanctuary. / Domingo De Pascua
  Culto en el santuario. Children will receive an Easter Gift Bag to take home with them. No Sunday
  School or Adult Education this week.

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# Church Office Closed Easter Monday

The church office and building will be closed Easter Monday. The main number is always monitored for messages should you need to reach a pastor.

## New Hebrews Bible Study

Please join us during LIFT for a three-week study on the priestly work of Jesus in Hebrews! This study will be led by Dr. Madison Pierce, and it will offer some additional opportunities to engagement with Hebrews. Each week we will focus on Hebrews 4–10 and answer a question (or two)

related to atonement: Who? (April 12); where and when? (April 19); and why? (April 26). Dinner is at 5:30, and the study begins at 6:15.



# Micro Pantry Needs

I imagine you have seen the headlines about the reduction of food stamp benefits that help those living in poverty and ALICE families (Asset Limited Income Constrained Employed) during the pandemic. Though everyone

understood that when the pandemic ceased to be a concern food stamp benefits would be reduced, no one predicted that this would occur at a time when grocery prices would increase 10% over the past year. The timing is terrible. The Micro Pantry has consistently provided emergency food to our neighbors over the past year and with this reduction in benefits is likely to be needed even more.

The Micro Pantry is in desperate need of more supplies. If you take a stroll by the boxes lining the hallway wall you will see that the boxes with the following labels are completely empty: canned meat, canned fruit, spaghetti sauce, rice.

You will also notice that the following labeled

# This Reminder Should Tell You...

That we really want you to join us for this fun, needed, and productive time. If you're not sure, but find you can come, please do so, even if you didn't have the chance to RSVP. We look forward to seeing you there!



## LIFT Next Week, April 12

Next Wednesday Pastor Ryan will be grilling burgers and dogs (and veggie burgers) for everyone! Dinner is at 5:30. Activities for kids, youth, and adults

begin at 6:30, including the new Hebrews Bible Study mentioned below. See you there!

boxes are very low: soup; tomato diced; tomato sauce; tomato paste; baked beans; peanut butter; noodles; and snacks. On the health product side we need: paper towel; soap; shampoo; tissues; hand sanitizer; toothpaste but we don't need toothbrushes.

I know that this is a big ask in an environment of higher costs, but any and all donations are much appreciated!

### Announcements

Please Update Your Information...

We are coming up on traditional spring cleaning time, and one area we could all "dust off" and clean up is our contact information in ShelbyNext. We want to make sure our church directory is up to date, so please take some time and look at the directory and make sure all of your contact information, birth dates, anniversary dates,

etc. are correct. This would also be a good time to update your individual and family pictures too. If there is incorrect information please inform Kristen in the church office so that the directory can be updated. If you need assistance accessing the directory please contact Kristen in the church office.

#### Upcoming Mosaic Classes

April 9, 2023: Easter Sunday, no Adult Education classes

April 16, 2023

Rev. Dr. Don Bruggink: A Biographical Interview Conducted by Nella Kennedy

Nella Kennedy will sit down with Don and facilitate a discussion around his years of experience in teaching and preaching. Reverend Dr. Donald J.

Bruggink received his A.B. from Central College, Pella, Iowa, in 1951 and his B.D. from Western Theological Seminary, Holland, Michigan, in 1954, and Ph.D. at the University of Edinburgh in 1956. He was licensed and ordained by the RCA Classis of Wisconsin in 1954 and served as pastor of the Fordham Manor Reformed Church, Bronx, New York, from 1957-1962, after which he joined the faculty of Western Seminary in 1962.

Don's books and publications include Guilt, Grace and Gratitude: A Commentary on the Heidelberg Catechism (1963), Christ and Architecture: Building Presbyterian/ Reformed Churches (1965), When Faith Takes Form: Contemporary Churches of Architectural Integrity in America (1971) and Worship the Lord (1987).

## Sunday Morning Bible Study

The Corinthian Correspondence: The Cross Changes Everything.

A study with Rev. Dr. George Hunsberger.

This study will not meet on Easter Sunday. It will resume on April 16.

## Third Church Family News

#### Condolences

To Mary DeWitt and Karin Ashcroft on the death of their husband and father, Dennis DeWitt.

To Phil and Janeth Coray on the death of Phil's brother in California.

To Lee and Milly TenBrink on the death of Lee's brother Norman.

## **Prayer Requests**

#### Give Thanks:

 For a healthy new granddaughter for Mike and Beverley Rannow. Riley Juniper was born on April 4 to their daughter Rebecca, and her husband, Scott Nicewonger, in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

#### Pray for the following:

- Kathy Van Tubbergen who begins therapy, this week for a pinched nerve in her neck.
- Aimal Aimiri, the 15-year-old son of our Afghan family, had an emergency appendectomy at Zeeland Hospital Tuesday. Please pray for a a good recovery for Aimal, and for the whole Amiri family as they are very concerned about Aimal.
- For those in the high school youth group and parents who returned from Mexico yesterday.
- For those families traveling during Spring

break.

- For the church services leading up to Easter.
- All those suffering because of mass shootings.
- Continue to pray for Etta Hesselink and Grayson Sievert.

Remember in our prayers: Reno Lamania, Joanne and Jack Kuiper, Larry Loss, Dennis and Nancy Gebben, Mary and Harry Boersen, Margaret Doorenbos, Bob and Elle Kuiper, Tom Norman, Lucille Schroeder.

**Prayer Spotlight:** Appledorn - Bob Kuiper, Donna Prins; Vista Springs - Barb Piaget.

Missionaries: Linn G. (Asia), Cheryl Barnes (Malawi), Lubna Y. (Asia).