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Special Collections

February 26- Benevolence

- March -
Special Collections

March 5- World Renew
Earthquake relief

March 12- ECSA

March 19- Technology Fund

March 26- Madison Ave
Crossroads Community Ministry



March 25th- Women's Lunch and
High Tea

April 22nd- Baking Freezer Party

Stay tuned for more information!!

Church Calendar

This Week

February 26

Door Monitor- Roy Bushoven
Sound/Video- Jess Ruit
Projector- Dan Vande Vrede
Nursery- Cheryl Cusack, Sally Ruitenber
KidsChurch- Jan Kuiken, Sue Grimm
Coffee- Linda Van Lenten, Trudie Pruiksma, Julanna Klaasen
KidsSpace- Kathy Faasse
Prayers of the People- Ginny Hoogstra
Children's Message- Krissy Vande Vrede
Chosen- Barb Belanus

Next Week

March 5

Door Monitor- John Everett
Sound/Video- Jon Englishmen
Projector- Phil Verrengia
Nursery- Alyssa Morin, Karen Spano
KidsChurch- Linda Van Lenten, Cheryl Cusack, Josh Baron
Coffee- Bev Bentley, Judy Van Dyk
KidsSpace- Emma Faasse
Prayers of the People- John Dyksen
Children's Message- Rev. Larry Spalink
Chosen- Bill Faasse

Our Children's Programs:

Our **KidsChurch** meets during the worship service, directly after the Children's Message. It's for children ages three- kindergarten. Our **KidSpace** program, for children in grades 1-4, meets right after the worship service, until 12 pm. We have recently added a class for children in grades 5- 8, called **Chosen**. Chosen also meets right after our morning worship, until 12 pm. In each of our programs children are learning what it means to be a Christian in every area of their lives!



Rev. John Algera
Jay & Jess Everett, Worship Leaders

February 26, 2023

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***GOD'S GREETING**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

***OPENING SONGS-** "JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE"
"THIS IS AMAZING GRACE"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

GOD'S WILL FOR OUR LIVES

***SONG OF ASSURANCE-** "HIS MERCY IS MORE"

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***SONG OF PREPARATION-** "HOLY SPIRIT, LIVING BREATH OF GOD"

SCRIPTURE- MATTHEW 26: 26-30

SERMON- "TAKEN-BLESSED-BROKEN-GIVEN"

***SONG OF PREPARATION-** "LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS
UNTO THE LORD"

THE LORD'S SUPPER

SONG- "EAT THIS BREAD"

***SONG OF RESPONSE-** "WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION"

***BENEDICTION**

***DOXOLOGY-** "WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION"

POSTLUDE

**If you are able, please stand.*

~ Deep Roots, Fresh Growth ~

TODAY, February 26,

- Is the first Sunday in Lent
- Rev. John Algera will lead us in worship
- We will celebrate communion at our morning service. Jesus said, “Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.” All, then, who are truly sorry for their sins, who sincerely believe in the Lord Jesus as their Savior, and who earnestly desire to lead a godly life, ought to accept the invitation now given and come with gladness to the table of the Lord

NEXT SUNDAY, March 5,

- Is the second Sunday in Lent
- Rev. Larry Spalink will worship with and lead us in worship

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting—Our Pastor Search Team has scheduled a congregational meeting to take place following our morning service on **March 19**. Our service that day will be led by Pastor Sam Hamstra, who is spearheading the efforts of the Rukes Search Group in working with our Search Team to identify our next pastor. The meeting will provide an opportunity for us to learn more about the search process and for Sam to learn more about us. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

Council Notes: (1) Mr. John Dyksen was appointed as our Interim Pastor for 2023. In that role Mr. Dyksen will be leading our worship on a fairly routine basis throughout the year. Mr. Dyksen will also be providing pastoral care for those in our church family that may fall ill, or are shut-ins, or who may suffer a loss during this period. Mr. Dyksen’s phone number is 973-464-3496. (2) Classis met on January 26, 2023, and appointed Rev. Mary Stegink to serve as our Classical Counsellor during the period of our vacancy. Rev. Stegink is formerly of Ridgewood CRC and is currently Pastor of the Ramapo Reformed Church. In her role as Classical Counsellor, Pastor Stegink will be available to the Council and the Search Team as and when needed. We are grateful to both Mr. Dyksen and Pastor Stegink for their willingness to serve in these capacities during our current vacancy.

Council has approved creating a new photo directory. Please submit photos to Kelly via email or text (office@faithcommunitycrc.com or 973-634-4811) by **MARCH 26th**. If you would like a new photo taken of you or your family, photos will be taken Sunday, March 5th in the Barn, following morning worship. Council members will visit sick/shut ins to include them in this project if they choose to do so. Please contact Karen Spano or Kelly in the office with any questions.

The Christian Singles are planning to meet on March 11th at 6 pm for a meal of baked potatoes with various toppings, salad, and Irish soda bread. Plans for the evening include prayer, praises, videos, and discussions. A freewill offering will be taken. For more information contact Carol at 973-523-5072 or email cdunningCSNJ@gmail.com.

Our next Heirborne meeting will be Wednesday, March 8th from 7-9 pm at Cedar Hill! We will also be having a movie night on Friday March 3rd from 7-9 pm at Cedar Hill. Come dressed as your favorite movie character! Our next SNL will be Sunday, March 5th from 6-8 pm at the Barn! Come join us for dinner, a lesson, and games!! See you there!

Midland Park Senior Crusaders will meet Wednesday, March 1 at 9:30 am at Faith Reformed Church for a morning of playing Bingo. All seniors are welcome!

When the plate is passed for our offering, please make sure you are only contributing towards the designated second collection. Offerings for the General Fund can continue to be placed in the box in the narthex.

EVERYONE is invited to Family Fun Night! It will be held Friday, March 10th from 7-9 pm in the church Fellowship Hall. Bunco for the adults and older kids, games for younger kids, and nursery for the youngest among us. Don’t know how to play Bunco? Have no fear, it’s easy peasy and instruction will be provided. Come on out for fun and fellowship and, of course, lots of snacks! There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex, just waiting for your name to be added to the list! Any questions, please contact Ginny Hoogstra at (201) 847-8967 or Linda Van Lenten at (973) 432-3783.

LADIES: Join us on Thursdays for a study of Revelation. Our study begins at 10 am but come a little early to enjoy a cup of coffee or tea with us before our study begins. If you have any questions, please call Linda Van Lenten at 973-432-3783.

Calling all 20s/30s/40s! Join the Supper Club for family bowling TONIGHT, Sunday, February 26th at 4 pm at Holiday Bowl in Oakland. Families and kids of all ages are welcome! If you haven’t already, please RSVP to Kelly at 973-634-4811 by February 16th.

The Brass Factory, a 24-member brass band in the British tradition, will play a concert titled “Music for Stage & Screen” on Friday, March 10th at 7:30 pm at Cedar Hill Christian Reformed Church. Robert F. Davis will conduct the ensemble. The program will feature the music of John Williams, George Gershwin, Jerome Kern, Cole Porter, Henry Mancini, Andrew Lloyd Webber, and Meredith Willson. These musical forms are tango, cakewalk, fanfare, concert march, and the blues. The selections for this concert are favorites you will recognize from 20th century classics seen between 1927 and 1986. The concert is free, although there will be a free will offering received as you leave.

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY FAMILY

Louise Butler has returned home and will continue rehabilitation.

Please note the contact information for John Dyksen: 73 Wigwam Ave. North Haledon, NJ 07508
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SICK & SHUT-INS –

Don Brandes, Louise Butler, Foge Maas, Muriel Tolsma, Helen Van Olden



2/27 Oliver Royle

2/29 Barb Dykhouse

3/5 Trudie Pruiksmas

3/5 Dan Vande Vrede

3/5 Donna Maas