



NEWS & NOTES



Sunday, January 15, 2012

New Life Christian Reformed Church, Highland, Indiana

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOUP SUNDAY: Next Sunday, January 22, is Soup Sunday. Containers are in a cabinet in Room #8 (old infant nursery) in the basement and recipes are available in front of the Church Office. Please bring frozen soup to the morning service and look for Don & Bette Saxsma.

DID YOU KNOW OUR CHURCH HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE? Check it out at www.facebook.com/newlifecrchighland and like us!

WEBSITE MEETING: On Monday, January 23, at 7:00 pm, the Missions Committee has planned an educational meeting to discuss strategies for using the Internet to inform the public about New Life CRC. Greg O'Donnell will be the featured presenter and it will be held in the Council room. Since there is limited space, participants need to register by phoning the church office by Friday, January 20th.

THE HANDBELL CHOIR will start rehearsals on Tuesday, January 24.

DO YOU LIKE TO SING? THE PRAISE TEAM is looking to add members to their group. If you are interested in playing an instrument or singing periodically or would like more information, please contact Kelli Hofstra at 838-3167 or hofstra.kl@gmail.com.

THE BANNER: If any church member does not receive *The Banner*, the monthly publication of the Christian Reformed Church, but would like to do so, please contact the church office. *The Banner* is a free subscription to all members of a Christian Reformed Church.

BETH MOORE BIBLE STUDY will begin its next 11-week session Jan. 23. We will study *The Patriarchs: Encountering the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob*. Classes are Mondays, 12:30-2:30, with nursery provided or 6:30-8:30 (no nursery). To register call Sharon Kooistra, 838-5053, or Juli Robertson, 924-9916, or sign up by the church office. Cost of the book is \$16.00.

SOUP SUNDAY DELIVERY SIGN-UP: We are in need of individuals who would be willing to transport soup to Roseland on the 4th Sunday of each month for 2012. You can sign up for as many months as you are willing and the sheet is located at the church office window. **There are still 6 months to fill.** Please consider this opportunity for ministry.

MISSION TRIP 2012 – A group is forming to go to Nashville, Tennessee for a week, arriving February 11, 2012. The group will be volunteers for the CRWRC. We don't know the exact type of construction work we'll be doing, but experience suggests it will be renovating damage done by the natural disaster, this time by floods. A donor has purchased Blackhawk vs. Predators hockey tickets for one of the nights in Nashville for the first eight people to sign up for the trip. Please pray about and consider joining the group for a week of service helping others. Please contact Roger Harasty or Tim Abbring if you are interested.

OUR CALENDAR

MONDAY, JANUARY 16:

7:00 PM–WORSHIP COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17:

6:00 AM–MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

9:45 AM–COFFEE BREAK & STORY HR.

7:30 PM–CHOIR & COFFEE BREAK

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18:

7:00 PM–COUNCIL MEETING

7:00 PM–CADET Father/Son

Derby Car Work Night

7:00 PM–GEMS BADGE NIGHT

JAIL MINISTRY:

Monday-Thursday-7:00 PM

STUDENT MINISTRIES

www.vidaencounter.wordpress.com

OPEN GYM COFFEEHOUSE on Tuesday, January 17, 7-9 pm, at Highland Christian School. Come for a night to play some games and hang out with friends.

JR. HIGH-GRADES 6-8 (VIDA)

- The group from the Winter Retreat will be back Sunday at 2:30 at First Church.
- Vida's next meeting is January 22 at New Life, 6-8 pm. All 6th-8th grade students are invited to join us for a night of food, Bible study, and games.

SR. HIGH-GR. 9-12 (ENCOUNTER)

- Encounter meets tonight, January 15. All High School students are welcome to join us, 6-8 pm, at First Church for dinner and Bible study.
- High School Coffee House is back and will be the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7:30-9:00 pm. We will be meeting at Panera in Schererville. Come January 24 and enjoy a free beverage of your choice with Kelli.
- High School Ski Trip is Friday, February 17 thru Sunday, February 19. Sign up with Kelli and turn in a \$25 deposit to hold your spot by January 22.

JAIL LETTER WRITING: For your convenience, cards are available in front of the church office—please pick one up and send it to an inmate this week: Terry Simmons YB, 2293 N. Main Street, Crown Point, IN 46307; Irene Jimenez YB, (same address).

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONSHINE ENRICHMENT CENTER, (the preschool of Highland Christian School), is now accepting registrations for 2012-13. Classes are available for children ages 3 through 5. Our primary goal is to instill within each child the awareness that he/she is God's unique creation, highly valued by Him and unconditionally loved by Him. Our theme based curriculum includes a combination of teacher-directed and hands-on discovery activities. To learn more, visit us online at www.highlandchristian.org or call Jodi Lineburg at 219-838-0356 x165 to arrange a personal appointment.

CROWN POINT CRC invites women to attend Comfort Within, for women struggling with infertility, which begins January 20, 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Pentwater Clubhouse in Crown Point. If you're looking for medical answers to your infertility questions, please bring them with you to be answered by a local nurse practitioner. To join us in a private and confidential Christian environment for a time fellowship or for more information, please contact Tracy at comfort_within@yahoo.com, or call 219-313-5533, or visit us at www.cpcrc.org. We welcome walk-ins to join us!

CROSSROAD CONNECTIONS: Really knowing Jesus. CBI students explain what they think it means to really know Jesus in this weeks' Letters from Prison. Go to www.cbi.fm on the web to listen to *Crossroad Connection*—a restorative justice ministry of Crossroad Bible Institute.

NEXT SUNDAY, January 22, 2012

GROUNDWORK: Love: Turn on almost any music radio station and you'll likely hear a song about love within a matter of minutes. But if you open the newspaper or read your favorite online news site, you'll likely need to search a few pages of stories before you read about love. So how much is love really reflected in our culture? And is it the same love the Bible describes? The January 22nd Groundwork discussion, based on 1 Corinthians 13, focuses on the virtue of love. Tune in to Groundwork on your local radio station, WMBI (1110) or listen at www.GroundworkOnline.com.

MORNING WORSHIP: "Practicing Hospitality"; Acts 4:32-37
Offering: Ministry Opportunity Fund

AFTERNOON WORSHIP: "Gathering God's People"; Revelation 14
Offering: Ministry Opportunity Fund

GREETERS: 9:30 AM—Bill & Lori McQueary/Jamie Kostelyk
5:00 PM—Bill & Harriet Dyke

NURSERY: 9:30 AM—Deb Abbring/Luke Sytsma/Garret Lytle

AM & PM SOUND OPERATOR: Ron DeYoung/Paul Armendariz

AM POWERPOINT OPERATOR: Cameron Zandstra

WELCOME CENTER: Tom Dyke

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Shut-ins

Pearl Adams
Deb Bakker
Bea Breuker
Ida Bush
Ouy & La Chanthvyong
Laverne Cronch
Grace Dyke
Grace Elzinga
Lois Johnston
Millie Meekma
Louise Shacklett
Sissy Siersema
Sylvia Swart
Pearl Terpstra
Jane Van Willigan
Grayce Witvliet

Special Needs

AJ Boender
Cody Brummel
Sandy Corder
Wayne Elzinga
Keira Fennema
Fred & Alice Johnson
Bob & Bea Moes
Bud & Nuke Moes
Dot Plohg
Marilyn Sodo
John Swart
Janet Terpstra
Dutch & Lyd VanDyk
Nola Witvliet

If you have a name that should be included or you would like your name removed, please contact Jerry Kuiper (838-4632) or the church office (838-0506).

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