



NEWS & NOTES



Sunday, December 9, 2018

New Life Christian Reformed Church, Highland, Indiana

PRANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMBER TO REMEMBER: This month's Member to Remember is **Cindy Kuiper, Healthwin, Rm. 267, 20531 Darden Rd., South Bend, IN 46637; Cell-(219) 802-6335.**

WORSHIP CDS & SERMONS: Our worship services are recorded each week on CDs. If you would like a copy of any service, please contact the church office. If you miss a service & would like to listen to that week's sermon, check out our website at www.newlifecrc.com and select the 'Sermons' tab, the week you need & then click on 'Listen to the Sermon'.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: On Monday, December 3, the proposed church budget for 2019 was approved at our Congregational Meeting.

THE PRECEPTS MEN'S CLASS will be meeting next **Thursday, December 13, at 6:30 pm.** There is no women's class.

COFFEE BREAK is again selling almond paste, \$7 per pound or \$55 for a 9 lb. tub. Please make payment to Jo Slifko, Judy Van Til, or our church secretaries. Checks should be made out to New Life CRC Coffee Break.

LOVE INC CHRISTMAS PROJECT: **Today** is the deadline to bring your wrapped gifts(s) for the mitten Christmas tree and items for the Christmas dinners. Gifts should be place under the tree with the mitten attached. Dinner items go on the table by the East entrance. If you are bringing a fresh pie, please bring it to church on Friday, December 14 (9 a.m. - 3 p.m.) or Saturday, December 15 by 9 a.m. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please give it to Candy Piersma.

OUR LOVE INC HEALTHCARE KITS: We need hairbrushes and Band-aids for the healthcare kits we give out thru Love INC. If you want to donate, please place your items in the cabinet across from the Council room.

WARMING SHELTER: The Warming Shelter Committee needs some new members. We need 1-2 men for serving at the shelter the **fourth Wednesday (5:30 - 7:00 p.m.)** of each month. If you can help us, please contact Marlene Bush at 219-513-9570 or any other committee member. Thank you.

JAIL LETTER WRITING: Cards are now available in front of the church office. We encourage you to pick one up & sent it to an inmate this week Marquise Harvey, XC-326, Lake County Jail, 2293 N. Main Street, Crown Point, IN 46307; David Storey, XA-447, (same address). **Please note that envelopes must be white and no glitter on cards. Thank you!**

OUR CALENDAR

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11

STATE STREET LUNCH
6:00 AM-MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
9:45 AM-COFFEE BREAK
7:00 PM-COFFEE BREAK
7:00 PM-CHOIR REHEARSAL

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12

6:00 PM-CADET CHRISTMAS PARTY
7:00 PM-ELDERS MEETING

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13

6:30 PM-PRECEPTS-MEN'S CLASS

JAIL MINISTRY: Mon.-Thurs.-7 PM

STUDENT MINISTRIES

Junior High Student Ministries:

- Our next meeting is tonight, **December 9**, at Faith-Highland, from **6:00-7:30 p.m.**

Senior High Student Ministries:

- Our next meeting is **Sunday, December 16**, at Faith-Highland. *Please see announcement below.*

Please note there will be a combined Junior and Senior High Christmas Party on Sunday, December 16 at Faith-Highland from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. There will be no meetings on December 23 and December 30.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH: The very funny “Laugh Anyway Mom”, Tracy DeGraff, Christian author, speaker and comedian, will be performing at Crossroads Community Church (1538 Janice Drive, Schererville, IN) on **Thursday, December 13, at 7:00 p.m.** This event makes for a great Christmas gift, date night, ladies’ night or a family fun night. Tickets can be purchased at www.aboutccc.com. Hope to see you there!

MEN OF A-CHORD cordially invite you to join them in **A Festival of Nine Lessons in Carols for Christmastide** on **Saturday, December 15, at 7 p.m.** at Thorn Creek Reformed Church of South Holland, IL. Come join the singing with the Carols and Songs of the Season celebrating Christ’s birth! Justin Rich is the director, Beverly Hoitsma is the pianist, and Nancy Venema is the organist. Betsy Archer will be with us this year as soprano soloist. A free-will offering will be taken.

MEN OF A-CHORD & COTTAGE GROVE CRC invite you to join them for **One Last Christmas Carol** on **Sunday, December 30, at 7:30 pm**, at Cottage Grove Christian Reformed Church of South Holland, IL. Come join the singing with many of your favorite carols and hymns this year and Dr. Joel Nederhood providing meditations. If you’ve never attended and wanted to, maybe this is the year to join the evening. A free-will offering will be taken.

THE ILLIANA CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION is planning an **eight-day, seven-night** trip to Boston, Martha’s Vineyard and surrounding areas for alumni and friends of Illiana. The trip will take place June 11-18, 2019; and will be led by Jeff White, a history teacher at ICHS. This guided tour will include two days on Martha’s Vineyard, visits to New Bedford, Concord, Lowell and Plymouth, and several days in Boston. The cost is \$1,850 per person for double occupancy or \$2,600 for single occupancy and includes airfare, transportation during the week, lodging, admission to all attractions and at least two meals a day. No Sunday activities will be planned. We are looking for commitments (\$250 non-refundable deposit) by **December 20** and full payment will be due by **February 1**. For any questions regarding the trip or to receive an informational brochure, please contact Bonnie Trepton (708) 474-0515 ext. 24 or Jeff White at jeff.white@illianachristian.org.

NEXT SUNDAY, December 16, 2018

MORNING WORSHIP: “Seeing the Light”; John 12:37-50
Offering: Ministry Opportunity Fund

AFTERNOON WORSHIP: Christmas Hymn Sing
Offering: Ministry Opportunity Fund

GREETERS: 9:30 AM—Roy & Marlene Bush/Paul & April Armendariz

NURSERY: 9:30 AM—Anneke Brummel/Jana Van Til

AM & PM SOUND OPERATOR: Ron DeYoung/Brad Gossman

AM POWER POINT OPERATOR: Cristian Martinez

WELCOME CENTER: Cathie Bennett

COFFEE SERVERS: Tim & Deb Abbring

COOKIE SERVER: Karen Hartmann

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Pearl Adams
A.J. Boender
Kathy Boender
Bea Breuker
Sandy Corder
Jean Davids
Corrine DeYoung
Keira Fennema
Macy Glemby
Bob & Irene Huizenga
Lois Johnston
Guelda Klooster
Sam Kooistra
Cindy Kuiper
Lori McQueary
Millie Meekma
Bob Moes
Ed & Sylvia Rudenga
Virginia Schoon
Sissy Siersema
Roy Smith
Marilyn Sodo
Coralee VanAmstel
Joey VanEck
Nola Witvliet

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

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