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Bible Passage of the Month

Mark 16:5-7

As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

⁶ “Don’t be alarmed,” he said. “You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.’”

Easter Joy

Jesus came to earth,
To show us how to live,
How to put others first,
How to love and how to give.

Then He set about His work,
That God sent Him to do;
He took our punishment on Himself;
He made us clean and new.

He could have saved Himself,
Calling angels from above,
But He chose to pay our price for sin;
He paid it out of love.

Our Lord died on Good Friday,
But the cross did not destroy
His resurrection on Easter morn
That fills our hearts with joy.

Now we know our earthly death,
Like His, is just a rest.
We'll be forever with Him
In heaven, where life is best.

So we live our lives for Jesus,
Think of Him in all we do.
Thank you Savior; Thank you Lord.
Help us love like you!

By Joanna Fuchs

Prayer Time

The church Worship Center (sanctuary) will be open for prayer one last time during Lent on April 3 from 8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

A Vision for Our Campus

If you missed the meeting about our facilities on February 20, you can find the recording on the church website at www.coopersvillereformed.com/campus. Be sure to share your opinion online and leave any comments or questions you may have.

Good Friday Service

Join us for our Good Friday Service on April 7 at 7:00 p.m. Communion will be observed.

IF:Gathering 2023

Join us on Saturday, April 22, for the IF:Gathering women's conference. It will be held from 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. in the Activity Center. Cost will be \$30, which includes lunch and afternoon snacks. You can register on the church website under the events tab or in the church lobby following services on April 9 and 16. The deadline to register is April 18.

S.A.L.T. Event

On Saturday, April 8, we will be going to Magnify Church to see "Shattering Silence." The bus will leave at 12:30 p.m.

Membership Class

If you are considering becoming a member of Coopersville Reformed Church or want to know more about us and what we believe, then this class is for you. It will be offered Sunday, April 23, from 12:00-1:30 p.m. Lunch and childcare will be provided. Membership is not required at the end of the class; you are welcome to just attend and learn from it. Contact the church office (837-8949) if you are interested or sign up on the church website under events.

VBS

VBS will be June 26-30. This will be a great week "Celebrating God's Greatness." VBS is for all kids ages 4-5th grade. This will be in the evening this year. We can't do VBS without volunteers! If you would like to volunteer, please talk to Bethany Courson.

Summer Camp

2023 brochures for Camp Geneva are available in the church office. The church will pay half of the camp fee for kids who regularly attend and are actively involved. Call the church office (837-8949) for the required voucher code.

Vacation Bible School

Coopersville Reformed Church

June 26-30

5:00-8:00 pm

VBS is for 4-year-olds through 5th grade in the fall.



We begin at 5 pm with a meal. Our fun will begin at 5:30 pm. This is going to be a fun-filled week where we get to “Shine Jesus’ Light.”

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged so groups can be formed! You may register your kids on our church website (www.coopersvillereformed.com/vbs-registration), or call the office at 616-837-8949.

Lynette Eason, no stranger to suspense fiction, has released her new novel titled **Critical Threat**, which is book 3 in the Extreme Measures series. You will be drawn into this story from the very first page as you follow FBI agent Grace Billingsley in her goal to get dangerous people off the streets and safely behind bars. After being trained as a psychiatrist and behavioral analyst, she has a keen sense for delving into the minds of criminals. Now Grace must work with prison psychiatrist, Sam Monroe, as they race against time to find who is responsible for the crimes that are occurring with the similarity of one who is already incarcerated. This involves trusting your partner...but is your partner trustworthy?

If edge of your seat fiction is not your cup of tea, perhaps you will enjoy **Authentically, Izzy** by Pepper Basham. This book was a little challenging in the beginning as the format was a little different. It is a series of emails back and forth between the characters and it took a bit to get in my mind who was who, but once I got it straight it was an intriguing read. The story was fun and believable with a few twists, turns, and characters to hold your interest. Once it became more of a traditional read, I did appreciate it even more, but without spoiling the story I understand why it was written in the format that it was. I liked the story...it's a good book that gets better the further into it you go.

It's time to pop some popcorn, get the quilts out, and have a movie night! We have two new movies in the library!

Family Camp is a comedy about two families who are polar opposites and are assigned to share a yurt at the church family camp and compete against each other for the camp's coveted games trophy. When the two dads become lost in the woods, their faith and family bonds are truly tested. This film was recently an award winner in the MovieGuide Awards for the "Best Uplifting Independent Movie."

Also nominated in the same category was the movie **The Mulligan**. This movie revolves around a do over...and not just in the golf game. Paul McAllister seems to have it all, but his life begins to fall apart. Guided by an old golf pro (played by Pat Boone) he learns some important things about life, on and off the green.

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- 1 Nolan Baron, Deb Mauk, Michael Mey,
Gary Rollenhagen, Ann Serba**
 - 2 Ashley Brown, Lindsay Kleinjans**
 - 3 Ray Davis, Scott Geurink, Joyce Kosten, Peggy Tanis,
Jason Veldman, Cory Visser**
 - 4 Greta Van Antwerpen, Arnold Van Beek, Grace Visser**
 - 5 Helen Morris, Norene Sattler**
 - 6 Sandy Smith, Olivia Van Dop, Todd VanDonkelaar**
 - 9 Jim Hanenburg, Ellen Rozema**
 - 10 Jack Castenholz**
 - 11 Casey Langeland, Cara Van Kempen**
 - 12 Mackenzie Cushway, Beth Mast**
 - 13 Evan Busman, Jack Busman, Hunter Cushway**
 - 14 April DeMull, Jason Neumann, Brooke VanDonkelaar**
 - 15 Carol Groenink, Ron Riemersma, Karen Rollenhagen,
Katie Rosel**
 - 16 Joani Picard, April Wieringa**
 - 17 Amelia Vandermarkt**
 - 18 Betty Bennink, Nancy Handlogten, Hailey Hazelton**
 - 22 Seth Wieringa**
 - 26 Sierra Courson**
 - 27 Isaiah Lillibridge**
 - 28 Gabrielle Lemmen, Amy Visser**
 - 29 Lucy Folkema**
 - 30 Shelley Mol**

Servant's Page

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Nursery & Little Tykes

The current Nursery & Little Tykes schedule is posted by the women's bathroom in the lower level of church. This is updated regularly to accommodate changes due to illness and vacations.

Greeters

		Back of Sanctuary	Lobby
April 2	9:00 a.m.	Jim & Stacey Hannenburg	Ron & Beth Veldman
April 9	9:00 a.m.	Rodney & LeaAnn Tibbe	Jon & Shelly Visser
April 16	9:00 a.m.	Tom & Diane Rozema	Jan Jordan
April 23	9:00 a.m.	Jeff Alberda	Janet Kuperus, Sharon Ozinga
April 30	9:00 a.m.	Charlie & Bonnie Vander Kolk	John & Alvina VanDoorn

Coffee Fellowship

April 2	Beth Baron, Deb Mauk, Marcia Draft, Christie Hill, Kalene Sietsema
April 9	In Activity Center
April 16	Beth Mast, Lisa Wiltenburg, Tracy Kooistra, Jan Jordan, Mary Bialas, Michelle Segel
April 23	Lynda Johnson, Evonne Erhorn, Kalene Sietsema
April 30	Jody Baker, Amanda Casler, LeaAnn Tibbe, Carol Riemersma, Karen Lemmen, Julie Palma

Calendar of Events

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April 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Palm Sunday 9:00 am Worship 10:45 am Worship NO Crossroads NO One Way	3 8 am-7 pm Prayer Time in Sanctuary <i>Office Closed</i>	4 6:00-7:00 am Rooted in Prayer 7:00 pm Choir of Praise Practice	5 6:45 pm The Vineyard	6	7 7:00 pm Good Friday Service	8 12:30 pm S.A.L.T. Event
9 Easter Sunday 9:00 am Worship 10:45 am Worship NO Crossroads NO One Way	10	11 6:00-7:00 am Rooted in Prayer 12:00 pm S.A.L.T. Event 7:00 pm Choir of Praise Practice	12 6:45 pm The Vineyard	13	14 9:00 am-2:00 pm Women's Work Bee	15
16 9:00 am Worship 10:45 am Worship 5-6:30 pm Crossroads 6:00 pm Women's Small Group 7-8:30 pm One Way	17	18 6:00-7:00 am Rooted in Prayer 7:00 pm Choir of Praise Practice	19 6:45 pm The Vineyard	20	21	22 IF:Gathering 8:30 am-4 pm
23/30 9:00 am Worship 10:45 am Worship 12:00 pm Membership Class (23rd) 5-6:30 pm Crossroads 7-8:30 pm One Way	24	25 6:00-7:00 am Rooted in Prayer 7:00 pm Choir of Praise Practice	26 6:45 pm The Vineyard	27	28	29

Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

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